

Newsletter of the Ottawa Region Branch
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President's Message

by Susan Blyth-Schofield

As I write this the snow has covered the ground and it looks like it is here to stay.

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Our events are in full swing now. Amélie Langlois produced a very successful and well-attended Canada Music Week Concert on the 17th of November. If you were not able to attend, you can read more about it and see photos on [page 3](#). Coming up soon on Sunday the 8th of December is our Wine Tasting event. Kimberley Sundell and Karl Taylor have planned a wonderful event taking us through 10 wines, beginning with a sparkling aperitif, moving to multiple pairings of whites, rosés, and reds and ending with a dessert wine. If you love wine you won't want to miss this, so please register before the 25th of November – the details are on [page 5](#). You will also find the details of our January General Meeting on [page 6](#). I hope to see many of you there for that event as well.

Just a reminder of some upcoming deadlines. Applications for the First Class Honours Scholarships and for the First Class Honours Recital are due by the 15th of December. The application deadline for the Violin Master Class with Yehonatan Berick has been extended to December 31st and the application deadline for the Piano Master Class with Frédéric Lacroix has been extended to January 9th, 2020.

Let me also remind you that 2020 is a Convention year, and so a Young Artist Competition year. Updates to the rules and regulations for it and the Provincial Instrumental and Vocal competitions have been posted to the Provincial website.

It is important to us to be able to stay in touch with our members. Please check that your details are current on both the Provincial website and our Ottawa Region website. You can make changes to the Provincial website yourself, and report any changes for the Ottawa Region listing to Kathleen Howard at kmaryhoward@live.ca

Enjoy the season, and Happy Holidays to all,

Susan





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Canada Music Week Recital November 17th

by Amélie Langlois, Convenor

The Ottawa Canada Music Week Recital was held on November 17th, 2019 at City View United Church and was a great success. The performers from Introductory level to grade 10 delighted the audience with a wide variety of repertoire, representing 25 different Canadian composers. We started the recital with a piano duet of O Canada, and everyone did stand up for more than 5 minutes. Both pianists and vocalists performed. Students received a certificate at the end of the recital and everyone enjoyed a beautiful reception afterwards. Warm thanks to all students, parents and teachers for making this event such a wonderful one!



Upcoming Concerts

"Yuletide Treasures", Ottawa Youth Harp Ensemble, Mary Muckle, Director and Virginia Dunsby, Flutist. Kanata North Concert Series. Sunday, December 1, 3:00 p.m., St. John's Anglican Church, 326 Sandhill Rd., Kanata.

Do you have a concert to tell members about? For concerts involving ORMTA Ottawa members that are open to the general public send details to: kmaryhoward@live.ca

Members' Corner

Congratulations to:

Misty Banyard Kelley on her marriage.

Edith Orton, who recently celebrated her 95th birthday.

Chunson Park, who received the RCM Teacher of Distinction Award.

Do you know an ORMTA member who deserves a congratulatory note, condolences or get well wishes? Send details to: kmaryhoward@live.ca

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Social Outreach WINE TASTING EVENT

2:30 TO 5:00 PM, DEC. 8, 2019
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For members, their partners and friends.
Kimberley Sundell and Karl Taylor, professional sommeliers, will guide us through a selection of wines just in time for Christmas giving and imbibing.

Admission is \$20 per person.

To register, submit name, email, phone number and cheque (payable to ORMTA) to Susan Blyth-Schofield, 13 Lynhaven Cres. Ottawa ON K2E 5K3 by Nov. 25, 2019.

ORMTA First Class Honours Scholarships

by Sherry Lu, Convenor

Each year, our branch awards scholarships to the students with the highest marks in theory and practical conservatory exams. These scholarships are awarded at the First Class Honours Recital which will take place in January, 2020. For detailed scholarship guidelines, please visit our website: www.ormtaottawa.ca or contact Sherry Lu at: sherryludi@yahoo.ca or 613-254-8772. The application deadline is December 15, 2019. There is no application form. To apply, send a photocopy of your student's exam results along with a cover letter to: Sherry Lu, Scholarship Convenor, 2 Nanook Crescent, Kanata, ON K2L 2A7. The following scholarships are awarded:

Written Theory:

Level 9 \$150
Level 10 \$200
Associate \$250

Instrumental:

Level 8 \$100
Level 9 \$150
Level 10 \$200
Associate Performer \$250

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Level 10/Associate \$225

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All submissions for the February/March issue of the ORBit must be received by the editor on or before: January 10, 2020.

Send submissions to: kmaryhoward@live.ca
or by mail to: Kathleen Howard, Editor
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by Meg Iwaskow, Co-convenor

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Application form, photo release form and detailed information can be found online at www.ormtaottawa.ca under the EVENTS link .

Application Deadline: Sunday December 15, 2019

Auditions: Sunday January 12, 2020 at Ottawa Pianos, 1412 Bank Street Times TBD

Recital: Sunday January 26, 2020 at Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre, 355 Cooper Street Time TBD

General Meeting January 27th, 2020

By Susan Blyth-Schofield, Convenor

Please join us for our Winter General Meeting. This time we are at our central location – The Ottawa Mennonite Church at 1830 Kilborn Ave. Beverages and snacks will be ready for 9:15 a.m. so you can search for finds in our used music and browse the CD & DVD Library while you catch up with your friends and colleagues before the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. We also have a couple of guest speakers lined up.

Donations of table-ready snacks are always most welcome. Now there's a chance to get rid of some of that left-over Christmas baking!

Contact: Susan Blyth-Schofield; 613-226-4950, sblythschofield@yahoo.ca

**Canadian Music Showcase****Voice: November 15th, 2019 (Rideau Park United Church)****Piano: November 16th, 2019 (University of Ottawa)****Gala: December 1st, 2019 (McKay United Church)**

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WED, NOV 27 **Fusion/Singer-Songwriter Ensembles** (House of TARG, 8:00pm)

THU, NOV 28 **Chamber Music Ensemble** (Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre, 7:30PM)

FRI, NOV 29 **West African Rhythm Ensemble** (Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre, 7:30PM)

SUN, DEC 1 **Carleton University Choir** (Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre, 3:00pm)

MON, DEC 2 **Guitar Ensemble** (A900 Loeb Building, 7:30PM)

THU, DEC 5 **Jazz Ensemble** (Kailash Mital Theatre, 7:30PM)

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Competitions 2020 Adjudicators

by Katarina Jovic, Convenor



Dr. Irene Feher, Voice Adjudicator

Irene Feher teaches classical/contemporary voice at Concordia University, Vocal Techniques at McGill's Schulich School of Music (Music Education) and has a private voice studio in Montreal. She is also on the teaching staff of Music for People and facilitates vocal and instrumental improvisation workshops in Quebec and the US. A member of NATS (National Association of Teachers of Singing), ISME (International Society of Music Education), Irene continues to fuel her passion for teaching through research on improvisation and its use in vocal instruction and music education.

Known for her sincere expressivity and warm voice, Irene performs in Montreal, the US and Barbados. Taking the recital form out of the concert hall, she collaborates with local musicians and artists of other mediums to create more interactive musical experiences. Recent performances have included improvised works, as well as arias and songs by Handel, Mozart, Schubert, Mahler, Schumann, Fauré, Honegger, Strauss, Rogers & Hammerstein, Sondheim, Keeler, and Cuddy.

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Jimmy Brière, Instrumental Adjudicator

Recognized as a brilliant musician, both authentic and versatile, Jimmy Brière leads a remarkable career as a pianist and pedagogue. He is regularly invited as a soloist or chamber musician throughout Canada and abroad.

Jimmy Brière has been a guest soloist of numerous orchestras including the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, the Québec Symphony Orchestra, the *I Musici de Montréal* chamber orchestra, the Orchestra Classica of Porto, the Pleven Philharmonic and the Ruse Philharmonic, amongst others. He has also been heard in many venues in the USA, China, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Bulgaria and Israel. In Canada, he is a regular guest at major festivals and music organisations such as the *Festival de Lanaudière*, the Ottawa Chamber Music Festival, the Orford Festival. A sought-after chamber musician, he has performed with renowned musicians and ensembles. Since 2017, he is a member of Trio Hochelaga. He has recorded for the labels Analekta, XXI-21 and more recently for Atma Classique.

Prize winner of many international competitions, Jimmy Brière is a graduate of Université de Montréal, Indiana University and the Glenn Gould School of Toronto. He is currently an Associate Professor of Piano at the Music Faculty of the Université de Montréal.

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Calendar of Events 2019-2020

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- 8 Social Event—Wine Tasting From 2:30 - 5:00 at the Steinway Gallery, 1481 Innes Rd, Ottawa. Contact: Susan Blyth-Schofield sblythschofield@yahoo.ca
- 15 First Class Honours Scholarships Application Deadline. Contact: Sherry Lu sherryludi@yahoo.ca
- 15 First Class Honours Recital Application Deadline. Contact: Meg Iwaskow megiwaskow@gmail.com or Danielle McIntyre jersakpiano@gmail.com
- 31 Application Deadline for Violin Master Class with Yehonatan Berick. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca

January 2020

- 9 Application Deadline for Piano Master Class with Frédéric Lacroix. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- 12 First Class Honours Recital Auditions. Time TBA at Ottawa Pianos, 1412 Bank Street Ottawa. Contact: Meg Iwaskow megiwaskow@gmail.com or Danielle McIntyre jersakpiano@gmail.com
- 16 Information Sharing Session, 9:30-11:30 a.m., 1905-500 Laurier Ave. W. Presenter: Dr. James McGowan (Carleton University). Contact: Hoda Nassim hoda_nassim@hotmail.com
- 19 Violin Master Class with Yehonatan Berick. 1- 4 p.m. in Freiman Hall (Pérez Building), School of Music, University of Ottawa. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- 26 First Class Honours Recital. 3 p.m. at The Carleton Dominion-Chalmers Centre, 355 Cooper St. Ottawa. Contact: Meg Iwaskow megiwaskow@gmail.com or Danielle McIntyre jersakpiano@gmail.com
- 27 Winter General Meeting. Ottawa Mennonite Church, 1830 Kilborn Ave, Ottawa. Coffee 9:15 a.m., meeting 9:30 a.m. Table-ready breakfast items appreciated. Used book sale, CD & DVD library, and guest speakers. Contact: Susan Blyth-Schofield sblythschofield@yahoo.ca

February

- 2 Piano Master Class with Frédéric Lacroix. 1- 4 p.m. in Freiman Hall (Pérez Building), School of Music, University of Ottawa. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- 6 Application Deadline for Piano Master Class with David Jalbert. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca

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- 1 Piano Master Class with David Jalbert. 1- 4 p.m. in Freiman Hall (Pérez Building), School of Music, University of Ottawa. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- 26 Information Sharing Session, 9:30-11:30 a.m., 1905-500 Laurier Ave. W. Topic TBA. Contact: Hoda Nassim hoda_nassim@hotmail.com
- 29 Application Deadline for Competitions 2020. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca

April

- 1 Application Deadline for ORMTA Competitions. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- TBA Application Deadline for Junior Piano Master Class. Date TBC. Contact: Kimberley Sundell sundellpianostudio@gmail.com

May

- 2-3 ORMTA Competitions, Pérez Building, School of Music, University of Ottawa. Contact: Katarina Jovic katarinamusic@sympatico.ca
- 21 Information Sharing Session, 9:30-11:30 a.m., 1905-500 Laurier Ave. W. Topic TBA. Contact: Hoda Nassim hoda_nassim@hotmail.com
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