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White Rock Baptist Church
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music's extraordinary power to
communicate, inspire, uplift & entertain.*

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1 | SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024



Strings and Harp

Suites and Serenades for Strings and Harp with the John Avison Chamber Orchestra, conductor Leslie Dala, and harpist Janelle Nadeau.

White Rock Concerts' own John Avison Chamber Orchestra will take the audience on a musical voyage of composers whose works were influenced by their particular country. Folk music influences played an integral role in pieces such as Grieg's Holberg Suite and Dvořák's Serenade for Strings in E major Op. 22. The harp will be featured in the romantic and famous Mahler Adagietto and Vaughn Williams' Fantasia on Greensleeves, which explores different moods and the harp's sound capabilities to the fullest.

2 | SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024



Jaeden Izik-Dzurko, solo piano

Celebrated by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in 2021 as one of "30 hot Canadian classical musicians under 30", pianist Jaeden Izik-Dzurko has performed in Wigmore Hall in London, Salle Cortot in Paris, Auditorio Nacional de Música in Madrid and Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall. He has amazed juries of international competitions winning the Hilton Head International Piano Competition and the Maria Canals International Music Competitions in 2022. Jaeden will perform Scriabin's Sonata No. 5, Op. 53, Rachmaninoff's Preludes Op. 23 and all four Scherzi by Chopin.

3 | SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025



Elektra-fying

with the Elektra Women's Choir and conductor Morna Edmundson

White Rock Concerts is pleased to welcome back the Elektra Women's Choir after 27 years! The choir plays an important role in the promotion of all female choirs in Canada, new music and music by female composers. Under the leadership of Artistic Director Morna Edmundson, Elektra brings its world-renowned classical sound and compelling programming in a concert that focuses on the joy and mystery of music itself. The evening will feature music by Franz Schubert, David Conte, Henry Purcell, Tõnu Kõrvits, Iryna Alexsiychuk, Katerina Gimon, and more.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM
2024 - 2025 Season

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NOTE: Mailed-in Membership Forms MUST include enclosure of a stamped, self-addressed envelope for us to mail membership cards to you.

Membership Enquiries to: membership@whiterockconcerts.com or PO Box 45089, RPO Ocean Park, Surrey BC V4A 9L1

A message from our Artistic Directors

Dear friends of White Rock Concerts,

We are very pleased to invite you to join us for an inspiring season exploring a wealth of magnificent music that will invigorate, uplift, energize and delight! Music heals, unites and connects us and as Beethoven once said, "Music can change the world". So let us come together and enjoy a transforming musical journey in the 2024/25 season.

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4 | SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025



CARION Wind Quintet

The Danish ensemble's fresh approach to chamber music has brought acclaimed performances to Europe's prestigious festivals like Rheingau Festival, Kissinger Sommer, Beethovenfest Bonn, Bergen Festival, Tonhalle MAAG. The quintet has released six critically acclaimed CDs - including stellar reviews from Gramophone and BBC magazine. CARION will present a captivating musical adventure from Beethoven's Quintet in E-flat Major, Op. 103 and Bartók's Romanian Folk Dances to Kavados' Klezmer Dances and music of South America by Brazilian composer, Júlio Medaglia.

5 | SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2025



Penderecki String Quartet

Entering their 20th year as Quartet-in-Residence at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Ontario, the quartet has performed at prestigious halls such as Carnegie Hall, Concertgebouw, Disney Hall and in cities such as St. Petersburg, Paris, Prague, Berlin, Rome, Belgrade, Zagreb, and Atlanta. The PSQ champions music of our time, performing a wide range of repertoire from Haydn to Zappa as well as premiering over 100 new works to date. They will bring a varied programme featuring Haydn (Op 20, No. 2 in C Major "Sun"), Brahms (Op. 20, No. 3 in B flat major) and Debussy (Op. 10 in g minor) to our White Rock stage.

6 | SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025



Pocket Symphonies

with violinist Jasper Wood, cellist Joseph Elworthy and the Bergmann Duo

'Pocket' ensembles offer an opportunity to bring a fresh and new take on a much beloved work such as Beethoven's 5th Symphony. The cornerstone classical masterpiece is probably one of the most well known pieces of all time and this 'pocket' version by Carl Burchard for one piano 4 hands, violin and cello leaves nothing out in terms of fullness and exuberance. Also, on the programme is the Hebrides Overture by Mendelssohn and a selection of Brahms Hungarian Dances. The quartet will round out the programme with other works that celebrate the splendid and rich sound combination of strings and piano.

WELCOME TO WHITE ROCK CONCERTS

White Rock Concerts is a volunteer-run, non-profit society that has been presenting high quality, live classical music concerts on the Semiahmoo Peninsula since 1956.

Unlike other concert-presenting organizations that sell tickets to concerts, White Rock Concerts only sells membership subscriptions, with subscribers becoming members of the society. A series of concerts is offered as a member benefit.

We encourage all members to complete their subscriptions through our online purchase option using Ticketbud. The link can be found on the Subscriptions page of our website. By subscribing online, you help make our Society more environmentally sustainable and reduce demands on our volunteer resources.

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SPECIAL NOTES

When planning the 2024-2025 concert season, it is impossible to anticipate the pandemic or endemic situation in Fall and Winter 2024. Concerts will be conducted in compliance with any BC Health Orders and restrictions in effect at the time. Out of consideration for the health and comfort of all members, White Rock Concerts may choose to recommend the wearing of face masks while in the concert venue. Members will be notified before concert dates.

In all circumstances, any member who is feeling unwell or had suspected Covid or Flu exposure should not attend concerts and remain at home.