

MUSIC FOR ALL

The 31st Season of the CBC/McGill Concert Series

Montreal, September 22, 2009 – **CBC Montreal** and McGill University's **Schulich School of Music** are once again proud to join forces for another concert season of musical excellence. Some of Canada's finest musicians will take the stage to share their commitment and passion for music with Montreal's concert-going public and with CBC listeners across the country.

This 31st anniversary edition of the series presents a broad mix of concerts in a variety of musical genres: sonic creativity in the **Expanded Musical Practices Project**, a first ever collaboration with **CIRMMT**, the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research in Music Media and Technology; choral diversity in the annual **CBC/McGill Youth Choir Gala**, as well as **Choral Café**, a live recording with host **Peter Togni** of CBC Radio Two's programme **Choral Concert**; innovative jazz with **Big Bands** from **McGill University** and the **Université de Montréal**; consummate chamber music with pianist **Menahem Pressler**; and orchestral excellence with the **McGill Symphony Orchestra**.

Friday, 2 October 2009, 7:30 pm & Saturday, 3 October 2009, 7:30 pm - Pollack Hall

McGill at the summit of orchestral excellence.

McGill Symphony Orchestra: Alexis Hauser, conductor; **Alexander Read**, violin

Brahms, Shostakovich, Berlioz, Strauss.

Tickets are: \$12

Sunday, 1 November 2009, 4:00 pm - Pollack Hall

Choirs and conductors, in conversation.

Choral Café: with **Peter Togni**, host of CBC's *Choral Concert*.

Viva Voce - **Peter Schubert**, conductor; **McGill Chamber Singers** - **Matthias Maute**, conductor; **Concerto della Donna** - **Iwan Edwards**, conductor.

Tickets are \$10

Monday, 23 November 2009, 7:30 pm - Pollack Hall

A new generation of Montreal jazz, from both sides of Mount Royal.

McGill Jazz Orchestra 1 - **Gordon Foote**, director; **Big Band de l'Université de Montréal**, **Ron di Lauro**, director.

Tickets are \$10

Sunday, 29 November 2009, 4 pm - Pollack Hall

More than 100 young voices join together in a holiday celebration unlike all others.

CBC/McGill Youth Choir Gala
Diane Loomer, guest conductor

English Montreal School Board Senior Chorale, **Patricia Abbott**, dir.; McGill Conservatory Youth Choir, **Erica Phare**, dir.; Cantiamo Girls Choir of Ottawa, **Jackie Hawley**, dir.; **Cecilia String Quartet**; and guests.

Tickets are \$15 (students and seniors \$10, children 12 and under \$5)

Wednesday, 17 March 2010, 7:30 pm - Pollack Hall

Spotlight on Menahem Pressler, mentor and master of the art of chamber music, in collaboration with the *Dorothy Morton Visiting Artist Series*.

Menahem Pressler, piano; Cecilia String Quartet; **Jonathan Crow**, violin; **Douglas McNabney**, viola, **Matt Haimovitz**, cello, **Ali Yazdanfar**, doublebass.
Dvorák et Schubert

Tickets are \$10

Friday, 30 April 2010, 8:00 pm - Multimedia Room, New Music Building

Live, digital, and interactive: the Expanded Musical Practice Project.

Jonathan Crow, violin; **Matt Haimovitz**, cello; **Kyoko Hashimoto**, piano; **Aiyun Huang**, percussion; **Fabrice Marandola**, percussion; **Amy Horvey**, trumpet.

New works by **Denis Bouliane** and **Sean Ferguson**



Free admission, with reservation

The CBC/McGill Concert Series is a showcase for new Canadian talent in a variety of musical genres, a reflection of the inclusive service offered by the new CBC Radio 2 mandate.

Concerts are recorded for broadcast on **In Concert** with host **Bill Richardson** (heard Sundays from 11 am to 3 pm), **Choral Concert** with host Peter Togni (heard Sundays at 9:00 am to 11:00 am), **Tempo** with host **Julie Nesrallah** (heard weekdays at 9 am to 2 pm), **5à6** with host **Pierre Landry** (heard Saturdays from 5pm to 6 pm on CBC Radio One, 88.5 FM) and **The Signal** with host **Laurie Brown** (heard every night from 10 pm to 12 am). All of these programmes are broadcast on CBC Radio 2, 93.5 FM in Montreal. CBC/McGill concerts can also be found on **Concerts on Demand** (www.cbc.ca/radio2/cod/).

All concerts are held at the Schulich School of Music's Pollack Hall, 555 Sherbrooke Street West or the Multimedia Room, New Music Building, 527 Sherbrooke Street West. All tickets can be purchased at the Pollack Hall Box Office, weekdays from noon to 6 p.m. or one hour prior to each concert.

For more information, please phone 514-398-4547, or visit <http://www.cbc.ca/montreal>.

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