

# 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary - 2024 Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph

Welcome to the 43<sup>rd</sup> annual Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph.

Many thanks to our participants, adjudicators, visitors, donors and sponsors, organizers, volunteers, Board and Committee members, media guests, and venues. We look forward to another wonderful Festival and hope you enjoy this valuable contribution to the cultural life of Guelph and Wellington County.

Please remember that the performers need absolute silence and you must wait to enter or leave the hall until there is a break in the performance. Please turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices. Photos and videos of performances may be taken if the performer has given their permission, but no flash photography and absolutely no recording of the adjudication is permitted. Please remain in your seat and be discreet while recording.

Please join us for the Highlights of the Festival Concert & Awards Ceremony on Saturday, May 11 at St. George's Church at 7 pm.

It will feature some of the finest performances heard during the Festival, as well as the presentation of medals and scholarships.

Tickets: \$20/Adults, \$5/Students & Children – Visit gkmf.ca/events

# Harp Adjudicator Alanna Ellison

A Toronto native, Alanna Ellison is a sought-after musician, having performed in a wide range of venues and performance settings. She was influenced from an early age by many different genres including Celtic music that could be heard in her childhood home.

She is a graduate of the Master of Music program at the Schulich School of Music at McGill University, under the tutelage of Jennifer Swartz, principal harpist of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra. Alanna previously completed her Bachelor degree at the University of Toronto,



where she studied with the renowned harpist, Judy Loman. Alanna is forever grateful to the two teachers who fostered her harp beginnings, Sharlene Wallace and Marie Lorcini.

Alanna has performed for numerous masterclasses for internationally respected harpists such as Alice Giles, Lynne Aspnes, Mariko Anraku, Marie-Pierre Langlamet, and Caroline Lizotte.

She has also had the opportunity to perform with groups such as the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony, Montreal Symphony, National Arts Centre Orchestra, Regina Symphony Orchestra, Niagara Symphony, and many more. Alanna is also a two-time alumna of the National Youth Orchestra of Canada with whom she traveled to Spain, Germany, and Scotland. Most recently in 2022, she was a fellow with the Orchestra of the Americas OAcademy program.

# **Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph**

Saturday, April 6, 2024 - Afternoon
THREE WILLOWS UNITED CHURCH
Adjudicator - Alanna Ellison

# 1:00 PM CLASS HP109

Suzuki - Book 1

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

1. Max Briskin - Dundas

#### 1:15 PM CLASS HP108

Suzuki - Book 2

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

1. Liska Andree Wiebe - Hamilton

#### 1:30 PM CLASS HP103

Open - Novice

Own choice of one or two pieces. Time limit of 8 minutes.

1. Tara Maeve Chater Betsworth - Dundas

### 1:45 PM CLASS HP123

Celtic - Novice

Own choice of two pieces of Celtic origin/style. Time limit of 8 minutes.

1. Abigale Tozer - Binbrook

#### 2:00 PM CLASS HP102

#### **Open - Intermediate**

Own choice of one or two pieces. Time limit of 12 minutes.

- 1. Lochlan Gillespie Flamborough
- 2. Zoey Yiu Ancaster

#### 2:40 PM CLASS HP152

#### **Harp Duet - Intermediate**

Own choice of one or two pieces. Time limit of 12 minutes.

# 1. Lochlan Gillespie & Zoey Yiu

- Flamborough & Ancaster

#### 3:00 PM CLASS HP113

Grade 9

Own choice of two contrasting selections from different lists (RCM List A, B, C and D).

1. Chloe McIntosh - Dundas

#### 3:20 PM CLASS HP114

Grade 8

Own choice of two contrasting selections from different lists (RCM List A, B, C and D).

1. Amadea Mikitka - Waterloo