

## EXIT PLAN

To ensure the program continues without interruption, all choir students will be dismissed at the end of the concert. Parents will need to sign their child out with their music teacher at their schools designated sign out station.

Junior and Intermediate choir students will be separated by school in the sections below.

Senior choir members will be exiting through the performers' backstage door.

ODD Portal	Section	School
Portal 5 & 7	Section A	St. George Victor Mager ILCS
Portal 9 & 11	Section B	Dr. D.W. Penner H.S. Paul MAG
Portal 13 & 15	Section C	Minnetonka Darwin Marion Lavallee

EVEN Portal	Section	School
Portal 6 & 8	Section H	Henri-Bergeron Shamrock
Portal 10 & 12	Section G	Nordale George McDowell Highbury
Portal 14 & 16	Section F	Guyot Samuel Burland Howden Windsor

PIANO NOBLE	Section	School
Odd Portal Side	Section D	Sage Creek School Van Belleghem Frontenac Archwood
Even Portal Side	Section E	Sage Creek Bonavista General Vanier Hastings Glenwood St. Germain

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.



DIVISION SCOLAIRE

LOUIS RIEL

SCHOOL DIVISION

LRSD in Harmony with United Way

# Choral Celebration 2025 Gala Concert

October 23, 2025  
Centennial Concert Hall  
555 Main Street



United Way  
Winnipeg

## CHORAL CELEBRATION PROGRAM

### MASTERS OF CEREMONIES

Ron Cadez & Allan Suban

### WELCOME AND GREETINGS

Sandy Nemeth - LRSD Board Chair

### O CANADA

### JUNIOR CHOIR

### UNITED WAY VIDEO

### INTERMEDIATE CHOIR

### CHORAL CELEBRATION VIDEO

### SENIOR CHOIR

## SPECIAL THANKS

### CHORAL CELEBRATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Justin Odwak, Brigitte Girouard, Chloe LeBlanc-Tod,  
Danielle Laurendeau Cormier, Alana Roscoe, Andrea Siemens  
& Matthew Funk

### LRSD BOARD OFFICE STAFF

Chloe Pommer, Events Specialist  
Lynne Mulaire-Kyle, Administrative Secretary

### EXTERNAL SUPPORT

Thanks to the staff at Glenlawn Collegiate, Louis Riel Arts & Technology Centre, Louis Riel School Division Board Office, and the Centennial Concert Hall for providing rehearsal space for our students.

Thanks to our wonderful Stage Manager, Cody Sellar and our Site Supervisor, Allan Suban.

### UNITED WAY WINNIPEG

Thank you to our partners at United Way Winnipeg for joining us this evening and for their work in our communities.

If you would like to make another donation in support of United Way, please use the QR code below.



# MUSIC SPECIALISTS

## SPECIALISTS FROM PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS:

Stephanie Superle	Kathy Lalonde
Jeremy Vallance	Deborah Eismendi
Kathy Lalonde	Heidi Serger
Daniel Bergman	Marty Cashin
Kara Godin	Maggie Davidson
Monica Ossachuk	Angela Rud
Meara Harrison	Jerry Ossachuk
Lisa Watts	Leslie MacCorby
Jennifer Engbrecht	Joyce Lim
Steven Howes	Matt Zimmerman
Rylan Knaggs	Robert Pedersen-Van
Lindsey Collins	Norman
Laura Lough	Brian Meads
Fiona Walker	Monique Vasquez
Julien Hochman-Berard	Brendan McLean

# JUNIOR CHOIR

Conductor – Gabi Gallo  
Accompanist – Annalee Schellenberg

Selections will be performed from the following:  
Les oeuvres seront choisies du répertoire suivant:

Give Us Hope - Boosey and Hawkes

Ubuntu - Mark Hayes

Pretty Little Horses - Andy Beck

The Lighthouse - Andy Beck

On écrit sur les murs - Musumarra and Moreau



## Gabriela Gallo

Gabriela Gallo is talented and energetic, multi-award-winning music educator and choral specialist. Born and raised in Steinbach, Manitoba, Gabriela has spent her youth and adulthood performing as a soloist, in small group ensembles and choruses in multiple operas, musicals and operettas, performing with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra and Winnipeg's own RWB.

Gabriela is the artistic director and founder of Artista Academy, a musical theatre company for students in Gr. 2- Gr. 12, and conducts the Steinbach Youth Chorus. She has spent the last seventeen years cultivating an outstanding musical curriculum in the St. James-Assiniboia and Hanover School Divisions incorporating dance, recorder, musical literacy, and instrument exploration while focusing on Kodaly singing methods and Orff-based practices. Throughout her career she has had the honour of conducting choirs and workshops all over the province, writing, directing and choreographing over 30 original musicals, implementing Orff Days for hundreds of students, instructing preschool level music classes through universities, coaching private vocal lessons and acting as a mentor and guide for music colleagues throughout Manitoba for both the early-years classroom and choral education. When Gabriela is not performing or teaching, she loves to spend time with her four children and travel to her husband's hometown in Sardinia, Italy.

# INTERMEDIATE CHOIR

Conductor – Heather Neufeld  
Accompanist – Amanda Hahn-Tomchuk

Selections will be performed from the following:  
Les oeuvres seront choisies du répertoire suivant:

Dance - Robert T. Gibson  
Put a Little Love (with Love Train) - Greg Gilpin  
Je danse la polka - Judith Herrington & Sara Glick  
Kaykiyaw - Sherryl Sewepagaham  
Turn the World Around - Mark Hayes



## Heather Neufeld

Heather Neufeld has been teaching music in the St. James-Assiniboia School Division in Winnipeg for 20 years, having taught at the elementary, middle and high school levels. She currently teaches Concert Choir, Vocal Jazz, Musical Theatre and English at Westwood Collegiate, and directs the award-winning St. James-Assiniboia Divisional Junior Concert Choir.

Throughout her career, Heather's choirs have received Gold standings as well as recommendations to the National Music Festival. In 2023, Heather was the recipient of the Michael J. Proudfoot Award, recognizing a conductor exemplifying a passion for excellence in choral work. Heather holds a Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Education from the University of Manitoba. As an accompanist, she has played for the Winnipeg Girls' Choir, the Irish Association and various churches and schools throughout Winnipeg. She has performed with many choral groups, including the University Singers, ECCO, and numerous church choirs and small ensembles. Heather was the Director of the Winnipeg Girls' Choir for ten years, as well as an active choral clinician, adjudicator and guest conductor throughout the province. Aside from teaching, Heather enjoys spending time with her husband, Tim, and her four children.

# SENIOR CHOIR

Conductor – Dorothy Dyck  
Accompanist – Renate Tabas  
Violinist – Kendra Grieger

Selections will be performed from the following:  
Les oeuvres seront choisies du répertoire suivant:

Qilak - Andrew Balfour  
Speechless - by Jakob Narverud  
Dance mon moine - Mark Sirett  
Hope Lingers On - Andrea Ramsey



## Dorothy Dyck

Dorothy Dyck was born and raised on a farm in western Manitoba, near Oak Lake. Her early memories include singing together with her six siblings. She studied Education and Music at the University of Manitoba, and from 1997-2024 Dorothy devoted her expertise and energy to developing the Maples Collegiate Choral Program in north-west Winnipeg. The Maples Choirs have collected a long list of accolades over the years.

In 2019, Dorothy received the Michael J. Proudfoot Award, presented to a conductor exemplifying a passion for and excellence in the choral field. In 2024, Dorothy was presented with the MCA Award of Distinction for Artistic Excellence from the Manitoba Choral Association, in recognition for her contributions to the choral community of Manitoba.

Beyond teaching, Dorothy has directed Central Manitoba Youth Choir, Eastern Manitoba Youth Choir, Westman Youth Choir, and has worked as a choral clinician in Ontario and across Western Canada.

She currently co-directs SonoLux Choir, and sings in a five-member vocal jazz/pop group, Due North Voices. Recently retired from teaching, Dorothy is enjoying working with choirs in new ways, as is very happy to be a part of tonight's Choral Celebration.