

**JOIE DE VIVRE CHOIR** is a mixed community choir of adult singers. It was first formed in 2000 under the directorship of the late Helga Anderson, and was a program of the division of Preparatory Studies of the Marcel A. Desautels Faculty of Music, University of Manitoba for the next 14 years. In the summer of 2014 it re-formed as a community choir under the directorship of John Tanner. Last year the choir welcomed Stuart Sladden in the role of conductor, and this is the third concert performed with him. If you are interested in joining us, talk to Stuart in person, e-mail him: [stuart.sladden@gmail.com](mailto:stuart.sladden@gmail.com), or speak with any choir member.

## CHOIR MEMBERS

### Conductor

Stuart Sladden\*

### Pianist

Charmaine Bacon

### Soprano

Yanna Courtney  
Patsy Grant\*  
Charlotte Lazaruk  
Diane Prescott  
Mari-Jo Taillefer  
Sandra Toyne  
Marian Waller  
Trish Wood

### Mezzo-Soprano

Kathleen Bell\*  
Enid Brown  
Joyce Burns  
Beth Helliar  
Donna Jones\*  
Irene McKenzie  
Susan Thorpe  
Lucinda Williams  
Stephanie Wood  
Janice Yon

### Alto

Cheryl Bartell  
Marilyn Bird  
Kim Carriere Baker  
Anna Doorenhos  
Heather Gerardy  
Judy Kerr  
Dawn Lazar  
Judy Mackay  
Karen Mallory\*  
Terry Martin  
Ann McKenzie

Cheryl McLean  
Lynne Mitchell-Pedersen\*  
Maureen Morrison\*  
Janis Prochera\*  
Rosemary Roche  
Muriel St. John  
Donna Stevenson  
Suzanne Thille  
Marilyn Wiebe  
Rhoda Yathon

### Tenor

Keith Davies Jones\*  
William Helgason  
Marilynne Keil  
Greg McLean  
Alf Stephens  
John Tanner\*  
Robin Wiens  
Hill Zhang

### Bass

Neil Arnason  
Mark Boreskie  
John Cliffe  
Martin Davis  
Roger Dennis  
Bill Forbes  
Paul McKeen  
Ian Stevenson  
Bernie Toews

\* Members of the Board of Directors

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## Rochester Ringers

### Conductor

Stuart Sladden

Patsy Andrews-Vert  
Lori Bodner  
Laura Buchan  
Jewel Casselman  
Karin Klassen  
Morna-June Morrow  
Cynthia Peyson-Wahl  
Viola Prowse  
Sheryl Sokolies  
Susan Stevenson  
\*substitute Tracey Wright



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# WITH A VOICE OF SINGING AND RINGING

## JOIE DE VIVRE CHOIR WITH ROCHESTER RINGERS

Stuart Sladden, Conductor  
Charmaine Bacon, Pianist

**SATURDAY, MAY 4, 7 PM**

St. John's Chapel  
92 Dysart Road

**SUNDAY, MAY 5, 3 PM**

St. John Brebeuf Church  
Lanark & St. John Brebeuf Place

*Joie  
de Vivre  
Choir*

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Rochester Ringers

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*With a Voice of Singing*

Martin Shaw

### WELCOME

Lynne Mitchell-Pedersen

Joie de Vivre Choir

*April Is in My Mistress' Face*

Thomas Morley

*An Elizabethan Spring*

Stephen Chatman

*Spring, the Sweet Spring*

*There Is a Garden in Her Face*

*The Urchins' Dance*

*After Music*

Eric William Barnum

Rochester Ringers

*Cantad al Señor*

arr. Hart Morris

*Dorian Dance*

Michael Joy

*Andante in F minor*

Michael Helman

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*Illumina*

Matthew Prins

Yannah Courtney, solo

Brianna Kaldor-Mair, cello

Rochester Ringers

*Inception*

Jason Krug

*Reconciliation*

Brenda Austin

Joie de Vivre Choir

*Eatnemen Vuelie*

arr. Emily Crocker

*Earth Song*

Frank Ticheli

### CLOSING REMARKS

Joie de Vivre Choir and Rochester Ringers

*A Gaelic Blessing*

Derek K. Hakes

Leigh Karras, oboe

**Saturday:** Please join us for a reception in the Atrium.

**Sunday:** Please join us for a reception in the Parish Hall.

### SPECIAL THANKS TO

Dr. Chris Trott, Warden, St. John's College

Ian Park, Chef, Daily Bread Café

Father Wayne Morrissey, Pastor, St. John Brebeuf Parish

Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus, St. John Brebeuf Parish

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## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

### **Stuart Sladden, Conductor**

Joie de Vivre choir welcomed Stuart Sladden as choir conductor in January following his return to the Winnipeg music scene after some years in Edmonton, where he has nearly completed a Doctor of Music degree in Choral Conducting from the University of Alberta. He currently sings with the Winnipeg Singers, conducts the Bison Men's Chorus, the Rochester Ringers, and the U of M Concert Choir, teaches at the Faculty of Music at University of Manitoba and at the International Music Camp, and is the Vice President of the Manitoba Choral Association.

Stuart came to this city from Toronto to study for his Master of Music degree in Choral Conducting at University of Manitoba. His undergraduate studies, from both Humber College and the University of Toronto, focused on vocal jazz. While in Edmonton for his studies, Stuart was also active as a musician with affiliations to the Richard Eaton Singers (Assistant Conductor), the Da Camera Singers (Assistant Conductor), and the Accord Ensemble (Artistic Director), along with singing occasionally with Pro Coro Canada.

Stuart is also an active clinician and guest conductor across Canada, with guest appearances this season in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Ontario, and had the privilege of being the Canadian representative adjudicator at a major music festival in Hong Kong this past May.

Stuart is happy to be back in Winnipeg and is excited to be working with Joie de Vivre!

### **Charmaine Bacon, Collaborative Pianist**

Originally from Russell, Manitoba, Charmaine Bacon (BMus, MMus) is a classically trained pianist, organist, and flutist. Charmaine is the pianist for Margaret's Choir, the Silver Notes Choir, Joie de Vivre, Winnipeg Jewish Chorus, and the Winnipeg Youth Chorus Juniors. She is on staff as choir pianist at First Mennonite Church. Charmaine teaches flute at her home studio in River Heights, leads flute sectionals for honour bands and is a regular flute clinician for schools across the province. Charmaine plays 1st Flute and Piccolo in the Winnipeg Wind Ensemble, and she directs and plays in the Wind Chamber Flute Orchestra.

### **Rochester Ringers**

The original incarnation of this group was put together by Stuart Sladden in the fall of 2013 to represent Winnipeg at the Ringing Link, Canada's national handbell symposium, which was held here in 2014. The group existed for that year alone and was disbanded following the symposium. In the fall of 2017, after returning to Winnipeg, Stuart reformed the group and this collaboration with Joie de Vivre marks their third performance this season. There are not many ensembles of this level currently operating in Winnipeg and the hope is that this group will help to inspire a "re-birth" of this musical art form in the city. The group is comprised of a diverse group of people, many of whom conduct their own groups, who all share a love of this unique art form.