



# 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - 2019

## Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph

Welcome to the 38<sup>th</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 25 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 \$12,000 in scholarships.

Please call the River Run Centre Box Office at 519-763-3000 for tickets.

\$15/Adults, \$10/Students & Seniors, and \$5/Children 12 & Under.

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## Guitar

### Adjudicator Brad Kukko

Known for his dynamic performances and beautiful tone, Canadian classical guitarist Brad Kukko currently resides in Toronto. Born and raised in Thunder Bay, Ontario Brad earned his Bachelor of Music degree from Lakehead University (1998). Brad furthered his classical guitar studies at the Royal Conservatory of Music (RCM) Toronto under the guidance of Dr. Jeffrey McFadden (1998-2007). Mr. Kukko received numerous scholarships and bursaries from the RCM, Toronto Kiwanis, and Peel music festivals for his guitar performances while at the Conservatory. In 2002 and 2003 Brad performed in and audited the RCM Advanced Teacher master class instructed by pianist Boyanna Toyich. A recipient of two scholarships from the Guitar Society of Toronto, Brad studied abroad at the Guitar on the Mediterranean Guitar Festival (2004 in Cervo, Italy) and the East Carolina Guitar Festival (2005 in Greensboro, North Carolina). Brad has performed in master classes with Roland Dyens, Adam Holzman, Robert Hamilton, Lorenzo Micheli, Denis Azabagic, Robert Kubica, Wilma van Berkel, and Dr. Andrew Zohn. For further information and recordings check out Brad's website [bradkukko.com](http://bradkukko.com).



Mr. Kukko enjoys teaching guitar and theory to students of all ages and is a RCM certified guitar instructor at the advanced, intermediate, and elementary levels. Many of Brad's students receive top awards and scholarships at the Toronto Kiwanis and North York music festivals as well as prizes at the OMFA (Ontario Music Festivals Association) provincials. Brad's guitar students have won many RCM Ontario regional gold medals including the 2018 Ontario level 3 and level 4 medalists. An experienced guitar adjudicator, past engagements have been with the Kiwanis St. Catherine's Music Festival and Toronto Kiwanis Music Festival. In his spare time Brad tries his luck at saltwater fly fishing and hobbies include fly tying, hockey, biking, and hiking.

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 29, 2019**

**TRINITY UNITED CHURCH**

Adjudicator - Brad Kukko

**GUITAR**

**1:00 PM CLASS G132**

**Ensembles - Intermediate - Grades 6 - 8**

*Two or more acoustic instruments: two or more guitars or guitar and other melodic instrument(s). Own choice of two pieces.*

1. Centennial Guitar Ensemble - Guelph - Froats
2. Ross Guitar Ensemble - Guelph - Wilson

**1:35 PM CLASS G122**

**By Grade**

**Grade 8**

*Own choice.*

1. Karen Agro - Waterdown

**1:45 PM CLASS G128**

**By Grade**

**Grade 2**

*Own choice.*

1. Eric Villeneuve - Guelph

**1:55 PM CLASS G121**

**By Grade**

**Grade 9 or Above**

*Own choice.*

1. Karen Agro - Waterdown

**2:15 PM CLASS G168**

**Popular - Solo**

**Junior**

*Own choice of one piece at current level being studied.*

1. Samuel Zacharias - Guelph

**2:30 PM CLASS G161**

**Finger Style - Solo**

**Advanced**

*Own choice of one piece at current level being studied.*

1. Karen Agro - Waterdown

**2:45 PM CLASS G172**

**Popular Ensembles**

**Intermediate**

*Own choice of one piece at current level being studied.*

1. Daniel Banica, Yulibert Cruz, Eric Villeneuve & Samuel Zacharias - Guelph

**3:00 PM CLASS G192**

**Vocal Accompaniment**

**Intermediate**

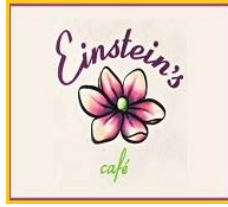
*Own choice of one piece at current level being studied.*

1. Daniel Banica - Guelph
2. Faith VanderWerf - Puslinch
3. Yulibert Cruz - Guelph

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