



44th Anniversary - 2025

Kiwaniis Music Festival of Guelph

Welcome to the 44th 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 10 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

Choirs Adjudicator - Dr. Jamie Hillman

Jamie Hillman is a Canadian and American musician, active as a conductor, singer, pianist, music educator, and composer-arranger. He holds the endowed Elmer Iseler Chair in Conducting at the University of Toronto where he is Director of Choral Studies and an Associate Professor. He conducts the U of T MacMillan Singers and leads the master's and doctoral degree programs in Choral Conducting. Professor Hillman is also cross listed as an adjunct faculty member in Emmanuel College's Master of Sacred Music program. In 2024, Dr. Hillman received the Faculty of Music's Teaching Award. www.jamiehillman.net Hillman served on the faculties of Boston University Metropolitan College/Prison Education Program, Boston University Tanglewood Institute, Kodály Music Institute, Longy School of Music of Bard College, Toronto Summer Music, and Tyndale University. He also co-initiated an innovative vocal music program in the Massachusetts prison system.

Dr. Hillman is an examiner for Conservatory Canada and has adjudicated, guest conducted, performed, and presented throughout the United States and Canada, and in Brazil, France, India, Indonesia, Portugal, and Taiwan. He has led All-State, festival, or honour choirs in Alberta, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Rhode Island, Taiwan, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia. Most recently he conducted two national festival choruses at Carnegie Hall with National Concerts and Manhattan Concert Productions. In 2025, he returns to Carnegie Hall.

Hillman's upcoming engagements include giving conducting masterclasses at Christ's College Taipei, conducting the Alberta Youth Choir and returning as a member of the jury of the Bali International Choir Festival in Indonesia. He is the curator and editor of The Jamie Hillman Choral Series published by Santa Barbara Music Publishing. He is also co-editor of Beckenhurst Press' Concert Series. Hillman has written articles on choral literature and choral pedagogy that have been published in International Choral Bulletin, Massachusetts Music Educators Journal, and Mass Sings. Hillman earned an associate diploma (ARCT) from RCM, a BMus from Western University, MMus at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and his DMA at Boston University.



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Tuesday, April 22, 2025 - Morning

E.L. FOX AUDITORIUM

Adjudicator - Jamie Hillman

9:30 AM CLASS C114

Community Choirs - Male Voice - N/C

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

1. Guelph Male Choir

Gordon Burnett - Guelph

2. Guelph Wellington Men's Club Choir

Heather Fleming - Guelph

10:10 AM CLASS C257

Intermediate (5-8) - S(S)A - A/S

Own choice of two contrasting songs, both of which must be sung in at least two parts.

1. Rockwood Centennial PS Grade 5-8 Choir

Morgan Rafalowski - Rockwood

10:30 AM CLASS C262

Any Grade Combination - S(S)A - A/S

Own choice of two contrasting songs.

1. Mitchell Woods Primary/Junior Choir

Cindy Brown-Leigh - Guelph

2. Paisley Road Choir

Jennifer Gareau - Guelph

11:10 AM CLASS C253

Glee Club - S(S)A - A/S

Own choice of two contrasting songs. One must be sung in two parts.

1. Mitchell Woods Senior Choir

Kelly Stronach - Guelph

2. Primrose Singers

Sandra Hawkins & Andrea Carson-Pedri - Mulmur

11:50 AM CLASS C207

Junior/Senior Mixed - 9 to 12 - A/S

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

1. SpARTanS Singers

Emily Peterman - Guelph

2. John F. Ross Concert Choir

Christa Davison & Jordyn Lundy - Guelph

3. GCVI Chamber Choir

Lane Osborne - Guelph

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Tuesday, April 22, 2025 - Evening

E.L. FOX AUDITORIUM

Adjudicator - Jamie Hillman

5:00 PM CLASS C155

SSA(A) - Open - A/S

Own choice of three contrasting pieces.

1. GYS Kiwanis Choir

Emily Petrenko - Guelph

5:30 PM CLASS C157

S(S)A(A) - Community Only - A/S

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

1. Pamati Children's Choir of Guelph

Irene Gregorio - Guelph

5:50 PM CLASS C163

S(S)A(A) - 10 & Under - A/S

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

1. GYS Choir I

Marlys Neufeldt - Guelph

6:10 PM CLASS C161

S(S)A(A) - 12 & Under - A/S

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

1. Pamati Children's Choir of Guelph

Irene Gregorio - Guelph

2. GYS Choir II

Marlys Neufeldt - Guelph

6:50 PM CLASS C156

SSA(A)(T)(B) - 19 & Under - A/S

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

1. GYS Chamber Choir

Emily Petrenko - Guelph