HIGHLIGHTS

BEETHOVEN Piano Concerto No. 5, Emperor
EQUUS – STORY OF THE HORSE In Concert
MAHLER Symphony No. 2, Resurrection
THE WIZARD OF OZ Film with Orchestra

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In so many ways the 21/22 season is unlike any other.

There are few places that allow us to freely share ideas and emotions, pass down traditions through the generations, and foster a sense of belonging with others. Music in the concert hall empowers that, and we shall continue to inspire and entertain as we return to in-person performances.

Composers and artists communicate the social, political, and artistic character of the times through their work. That is why it is so important to present a wide season of incredible artists and composers who have dedicated themselves to expressing the human condition. Joining the KWS this season are artists like Charles Richard-Hamelin, Darren Fung, Marc-André Hamelin, and iskwē, whose varied experiences and perspectives shine new light on ourselves. Remarkable works by Beethoven, Sibelius, Elgar, and Mahler stand alongside contemporary music of all genres, reflecting on themes of perseverance, survival, comradery, and resurrection.

The musicians of your Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony and I, invite you, your family, and friends to share in a reuniting season to witness something magical as we begin a new chapter of our collective history.

Andrei Feher, Music Director
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SIBELIUS Symphony No. 1
BEETHOVEN Piano Concerto No. 5, Emperor
BARBER Cello Concerto
MAHLER Symphony No. 2, Resurrection
Sibelius Symphony No. 1
CONCERT 4
FRI JAN 14 8 pm
CHLOÉ VAN SOETERSTÈDE conductor
LIEF MOSBAUGH oboe
Jean Françaix L’horloge de flore
(The Flower Clock)
Jean Sibelius Symphony No. 1 in E minor, op.39

French conductor and 21-22 Dudamel Fellow Chloé van Soeterstède leads the KWS in her Canadian debut. Soaring melodies of Sibelius’s Symphony No. 1 echo those of Tchaikovsky in this lavish work. Written at the same time Finlandia, this is his most lush, romantic symphony. KWS Principal Oboe Lief Mosbaugh charms listeners with Jean Françaix’s The Flower Clock, an impish and sweet concerto inspired by the Swedish botanist Linnaeus who created a ‘flower clock’, comprising flora and their blooming hour.

Charles Richard-Hamelin & Beethoven
CONCERT 5
FRI FEB 11 8 pm
ANDREI FEHER conductor
CHARLES RICHARD-HAMELIN piano
Franz Schreker Kammersymphonie
Ludwig van Beethoven Concerto No. 5 in E-flat major for Piano and Orchestra, op.73, Emperor

KWS Music Director Andrei Feher returns to the stage joined by celebrated Canadian pianist Charles Richard-Hamelin for an evening of mesmerizing works. Beethoven’s Emperor Concerto is one of the most accomplished of them all, ahead of its time with its virtuosic style and wide dynamic range. Schreker’s Kammersymphonie is compact in its immense emotional range and narrative, reminiscent of Schoenberg, Ravel, Webern, Strauss, and Mahler all at the same time. These sublime, swirling, and magically evocative works are love at first hearing.
SIGNATURE SERIES

Classical & Opulent
CONCERT 7
FRI APR 8  8 pm
ANDREI FEHER conductor
MARC-ANDRÉ HAMELIN piano
Franz Joseph Haydn Piano
  Concerto No. 11 in D major
Richard Strauss Burleske
Richard Strauss Tod und Verklärung
  (Death and Transfiguration)

Canadian virtuoso pianist Marc-André Hamelin, a multiple Grammy Award nominee, is recognized around the world for the originality and technical proficiency of his performances. He joins the KWS for Haydn’s lively Piano Concerto No. 11 and Strauss’ witty Burleske. Explore what may lie beyond this world and the dichotomy of life and death in Strauss’ transcendent tone poem, Death and Transfiguration.

MARC-ANDRÉ HAMELIN

Edwin Conducts Barber & Elgar
CONCERT 6
FRI MAR 4  8 pm
EDWIN OUTWATER conductor
OLIVER HERBERT cello
Caroline Shaw Entr’acte for string orchestra
Samuel Barber Concerto for Cello and Orchestra, op.22
Edward Elgar Enigma Variations
  (Variations on an Original Theme), op.36

Music Director Laureate Edwin Outwater returns to the KWS for a program from both sides of the Atlantic. Featuring American cellist Oliver Herbert performing Barber’s Cello Concerto, rarely performed due to its extreme technical demands, and a work by the young contemporary American composer Caroline Shaw. Across the pond, English composer Edward Elgar has baffled musicologists since 1899 with his Enigma Variations, whose puzzling hidden melody has garnered more speculation and questions than conclusive answers.

OLIVER HERBERT
Mahler’s 2nd
CONCERT 8
FRI MAY 6  8 pm
Mahler Symphony No. 2 in C minor, Resurrection

Music Director Andrei Feher closes the Signature series with Mahler’s magnificent and majestic Symphony No. 2, Resurrection. It was first performed by the KWS for the triumphant opening of the Centre In The Square on September 22, 1980, led then by Raffi Armenian, a key figure in the history of the KWS and one of Andrei’s teachers. This symphony of epic proportions and symbolism proves that after a brief rest, music making will rise again.
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RON SEXSMITH with the KWS
THE WIZARD OF OZ Film with Orchestra

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iskwē: In Concert
CONCERT 4
FRI JAN 28  8 pm
ANDREI FEHER conductor
iskwē

The acclaimed Cree Métis Juno Award winner singer-songwriter iskwē returns to the Centre In The Square stage with the KWS for a live performance of the program that entranced digital audiences last season. Known for weaving elements of pop, jazz, R&B, and music and movement, iskwē’s inventiveness provides new avenues of expression and storytelling. A lifechanging concert experience awaits those curious.

Ron Sexsmith with the KWS
CONCERT 5
FRI FEB 25  8 pm
ANDREI FEHER conductor
RON SEXSMITH

Juno Award winning singer-songwriter Ron Sexsmith joins Andrei Feher and the KWS for a stellar evening of all things Canadiana. The well-traveled troubadour explores his 15+ studio albums, covering his childhood in St. Catharines, life in Toronto’s west-end, touring around the world, and settling down in his new farmhouse in Stratford.

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POPS SERIES

Tantalizing Tangos
CONCERT 6
FRI MAR 25  8 pm
MARIANO CHIACCHIARINI
conductor
BULENT + LINA TANGO
tango dancers
A vibrant evening of passionate expression, Argentinian conductor Mariano Chiacchiarini brings alive the exuberant rhythms of South America’s spirit. Beautiful melodies and daring intensities are entwined in works by Piazzolla, Marquez, and Milhaud, personified by tango dancers.

Equus – Story of the Horse: In Concert
CONCERT 7
FRI APR 22  8 pm
DARREN FUNG conductor
NIOBE THOMPSON narrator and host
GRAND PHILHARMONIC YOUTH CHOIR
Experience a breathtaking evening, exploring humanity’s amazing partnership with the horse, a bond 6,000 years in the making that transformed our world. This award-winning CBC-TV miniseries is brought to life on the big screen and narrated live by anthropologist Niobe Thompson while the KWS performs the score by composer and conductor Darren Fung.
The Wizard of Oz:
Film with Orchestra

CONCERT 8

FRI MAY 13  8 pm
SAT MAY 14  2:30 pm

SCOTT TERRELL conductor

There's no place like home...or the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony! Travel over the rainbow and follow the yellow brick road to the Emerald City as this timeless classic is shown on the big screen and the KWS performs the soundtrack live. Click your ruby slippers and get ready for a magical experience!
Darkness & Light
CONCERT 1
WED MAR 9 WAT  8 pm
FRI MAR 11 GUE  8 pm
SAT MAR 12 CAM  8 pm
ANDREI FEHER curator
THE ELORA SINGERS
Giovanni Battista Pergolesi Stabat Mater
Franz Joseph Haydn Symphony No.88 in G major

Andrei Feher leads the KWS and The Elora Singers in Pergolesi's magnificent Stabat Mater. The dark, yet euphoric, work was completed on the composer's deathbed in an Italian monastery at age 26. Father of the symphony and classical music's resident trickster, Haydn's Symphony No. 88 is immensely provocative and left a lasting impression on Brahms and Beethoven.

Heart & Soul
CONCERT 2
WED APR 27 WAT  8 pm
FRI APR 29 GUE  8 pm
SAT APR 30 CAM  8 pm
DINA GILBERT conductor
JUNG TSAI violin and curator
Henry Purcell Abdelazer Suite
Marjan Mozetich Affairs of the Heart
Henry Purcell (Ed. Benjamin Britten.)
   Chacony in G minor, Z.730
Ottorino Respighi Suite III from
   Antiche danze ed arie (Ancient Airs and Dances)

KWS Interim Concertmaster Jung Tsai performs Canadian composer Marjan Mozetich's passionate violin concerto Affairs of the Heart. Purcell showcases immense variety in his incidental music masterpiece Abdelazer. This revenge tragedy is famously the basis for Britten's The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra.

The history buff and imaginative Italian composer Ottorino Respighi, who studied orchestration under Rimsky-Korsakov, brilliantly repurposes the spirit and soul of Italian and French lute music in Ancient Airs and Dances.
FAMILY SERIES
AGES 4 TO 12
Carnival of the Animals
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CONCERT 1
SAT JAN 29  2:30 pm
ANDREI FEHER conductor
Roaring lions, hopping kangaroos, racing donkeys, and... waltzing elephants? Saint-Saëns’ Carnival of the Animals is the perfect way to introduce your little one to the sights and sounds of the KWS and capture their imaginations. Please refrain from feeding the musicians!

Rhythm & Dance
CONCERT 2
SAT MAR 26  2:30 pm
MARIANO CHIACCHIARINI conductor
BULENT + LINA TANGO tango dancers
A tantalizing afternoon of toe-tapping fun! Explore rhythms and dances from across South America with Argentinian conductor Mariano Chiacchiarini and tango dancers.

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87 Dean Ave, Guelph (Baroque & Beyond)
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For a detailed seating plan visit kwsymphony.ca/seat-map
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  FAMILY

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  KINDERCONCERT

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- **CAM** Central Presbyterian Church, Cambridge

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