



The Newsletter of the Bellingham Music Club

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TODAY'S ARTISTS

WINNERS OF THE 2007

NICHOLAS BUSSARD INSTRUMENTAL AWARDS

\$400	1 st place	Colin Wheatley, Viola
\$300	2 nd place	Karen Frankenfeld, Violin
\$75	3 rd place	Sarah McHugh, Harp
\$75	3 rd place	Cassandra Dickerson, Cello

Presented by John Reay

WINNERS OF THE 2007

LENA MONTGOMERY VOCAL AWARDS

\$400	1 st place	Lydia Wassan, Soprano
\$300	2 nd place	Evan Kuykendall, Tenor
\$75	3 rd place	Jeremiah O'Brine, Tenor
\$75	3 rd place	Lindsey Nakatani, Soprano

Presented by Isabelle Cormier

It is again our privilege to bring you this year's winners of the Nicholas Bussard and the Lena Montgomery High School Awards. What a pleasure it is to give recognition and encouragement to these talented students!

Today's program concludes our 2006-2007 season! There will be no summer meetings. Our 2007-2008 season will open on Wednesday September 5th as a joint concert with the Whatcom Organ Society at the Mt. Baker Theatre. The 10:30 a.m. concert will feature guest artist Andy Crow. Mr. Crow's tentative program includes an organ "Pop-pourri", a Handel organ concerto, and the showing of a classic Laurel & Hardy silent short feature, accompanied live on the theatre organ, with all the bells and whistles on display. See our 2007-2008 calendar for more details and transportation options.

Yes, we are still updating the **new handbook** which will be distributed to members in good standing in October this year. And you may pay your 2007-2008 season's dues today (see Will Ellender at the Membership Table). From now on, our dues will be for the program season. In August, you will receive a membership letter with a return envelope. Your reply should specify how you wish your name, address, e-mail, etc. to appear in the handbook - and include a check for the season's dues (still \$20)!

Big News from BMC alumnae:

Soprano **Erin Wall**, a former BMC Award Winner, will sing the title role of Daphne at the Santa Fe Opera production of Richard Strauss' masterpiece in mid-July and early August. Erin, an alumna of the Chicago Lyric Opera Center for American Artists, has been winning admiration for her appearances with the Lyric Opera, the Vancouver Opera, the Minnesota Opera, and the Paris Opera. Alex Ross of the New Yorker praised her performance at the Mostly Mozart Festival saying, "I hope someone from the Met is taking notes."

In a New York Times review of the Met's May 4 production of "Orfeo ed Euridice", Anthony Tommasini had this to say about soprano **Heidi Grant Murphy**, another of our WWU Scholarship winners: "As Amor, an angel god with wings (and an Ellen DeGeneres look-alike) in gray jeans and sparkling pink T-shirt who descends from above, suspended on wires, she conveyed Amor's sassy side, and Ms. Murphy's sweet and plucky singing, even while in mid-air, was delightful." Way to go, Heidi!

Calling all Comcast Cable-TV subscribers: here's your chance to do a little lobbying for the arts.

Local cable subscribers have access to "Classical Arts Showcase" five hours a day (1-3-p.m. and 9-midnight), on channel 26 (community access). But the same program is carried on satellite TV 24 hours a day, everyday. (The Lloyd Rigler Foundation makes it available free to all media, provided they offer it to their customers at no charge.)

If we can get Comcast to dedicate a spare channel to "Classic Arts Showcase" around the clock, we can have opera, concert, dance and classic movie excerpts at our fingertips whenever we want it. They will do it if enough people request it. Here's how:

Go online at comcast.com or **call 1-877-824-2288** (hang in there through the menu maze until you reach a human, and be sure to request a tracking number). **Or write to Comcast** at 400 Sequoia Drive, Bellingham, WA 98226, and request Classic Arts Showcase "24/7". *Contributed by Jack Frymire*

We extend our condolences to the family of Irene Gold. For many years, Irene was an active and elegant member of our Scholarship Committee, as it was then called.

Welcome to our newest member Margie Murray.

And more news...

Treasurer Bill McCarter is resigning for health reasons (doggone it) but Sarah Jacobson will resume that position in August (many thanks, Sarah)... Alan Wilhite is out of the hospital (hooray) just in time for a trip to Ashland... Gail and Martin Haines are home from France, as is Phyllis Haberstroh. Kristin and Hank VanSchelt are on a tour of Russia... Isabelle Cormier took time to drive her son to his summer job in Yellowstone Park (yes, she spent a night within sight of Old Faithful).

Following a nasty fall and back injury, Ethel Crook is now at the Mt. Baker Care Center. On Thursday, June 7 (tomorrow), she will move to 6339 Noon Road, in Everson. Then in mid-July, she will move to 4205 Ridgewood Ave. in Bellingham. All your get-well notes should now be addressed to Mrs. Ethel Crook, c/o Jack and Jane Arntzen, 1225 E. Sunset Drive, Ste. 145, PMB 515, Bellingham, WA 98226. This PMB 515 address is a mail drop and will work immediately for the Everson and Bellingham addresses. Thank you, Jack Frymire, for keeping on top of all this and for your ever-present TLC.

In remembrance of Dan Addis...

“... And I shall abide ‘neath a lilac tree
And sing my arias to the birds, and sleep
Under a warm blanket of snow.”
Adios, amigo. Vaya con Dios.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, June 8, 7:30 p.m.,
Christ the Servant Church,
2600 Lakeway

Women in Song, a choral concert featuring Bellingham’s new women’s choral ensembles: Allegra, Dolcissima, and Sarabande.
Director Ann MacDonald, accompanist Monica Clark.
Admission: Adults \$7, Seniors/Students \$5

Sunday, June 10, 3:00 p.m.,
First Congregational Church,
2401 Cornwall Avenue

“The Best of the Bellingham Chamber Chorale”
A live concert recording session of favorite choral masterpieces by Palestrina, Handel, Billings, Mozart, Brahms, Duruflé, and Lauridsen, plus American Hymns and Spirituals. Tim Fitzpatrick, Conductor.
Adults \$15, Seniors/Students \$12, 18 and under, free.

Fridays: 7:30 pm, July 13, 20, 27
Saturdays, 7:30 pm, July 14, 21, 28
Sundays, 2:00 pm, July 15, 22, 29
McIntyre Hall in Mount Vernon

The Lyric Light Opera of the Northwest will perform BRIGADOON.
The box office is open for walk-up sales Tuesday through Saturday from noon - 6:00 pm. To purchase by phone, call toll free 866-624-6897 during regular office box hours. Or order online at www.mcintyrehall.org

Things to do...

- ❑ *Pick up a BMC brochure for a friend*
- ❑ *Find a free June issue of “Entertainment News” at your favorite grocery store or the library... It’s incredibly informational (see the music section, pages 46-48)*
- ❑ *Send a card, make a phone call, visit a sick friend... All of the above!*
- ❑ *Bake some cookies and put them in the freezer!*
- ❑ *Call Comcast!*
- ❑ *Mark your calendar for our September 5th meeting at the Mt. Baker Theatre!*
- ❑ *Be careful, be happy, keep healthy and have a wonderful summer!*

Program

Song in the Night (Chanson dans la nuit)	Carlos Salzedo
Sarah McHugh, harp	
Concerto for Cello in D minor I. <i>Allegro maestoso</i>	Edward Lalo
Cassandra Dickerson, cello Nancy Heyer, piano	
Vedrai, carino (from "Don Giovanni") Chanson norvégienne	Wolfgang A. Mozart Félix Fourdrain
Lindsey Nakatani, soprano Wade Dingman, piano	
Sebben crudele Hey, Ho, the Wind and the Rain	Antonio Caldara Roger Quilter
Jeremiah O'Brine, tenor Robert Viens, piano	
Concerto for Violin III. <i>Allegro vivace</i>	Aram Khatchaturian
Karen Frankenfeld, violin Nancy Heyer, piano	
An die Geliebte Se I miei sospiri	Ludwig v. Beethoven François Joseph Fétis
Evan Kuykendall, tenor Robert Viens, piano	
Theme and Variations	Alan Shulman
Colin Wheatley, viola Nancy Heyer, piano	
Piangerò la sorte mia (from "Giulio Cesare") Chanson triste	George F. Handel Henri Duparc
Lydia Wassan, soprano Wade Dingman, piano	

Wednesday, June 6, 2007

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Faith Lutheran Church

Biographies

Nicholas Bussard Instrumental Award Winners

Colin Wheatly began his music studies at the age of four. He has studied viola for the last eleven years with Elizabeth Stuen-Walker. A current member of the Seattle Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Bellingham High School Orchestra, Colin also plays with the Whatcom Symphony Orchestra. He has been a member of many honors orchestras and a participant at State Solo and Ensemble for viola solo. In his spare time, Colin enjoys singing, sailing, cooking and chemistry. After high school, he hopes to study music education and viola performance.

At the age of six, **Karen Frankenfeld** began her studies on violin with Jane Perkins, eventually graduating to study with her present teacher, Walter Schwede. This year Karen, a junior at Sehome High School, placed as first alternate on violin at regional Solo & Ensemble competition and was invited to compete at the state level, where she was awarded all 'superior ratings'. In addition to violin, Karen is an avid athlete, skiing and playing soccer and varsity tennis. This summer she will attend the Meadowmount School of Music in New York.

Sarah McHugh is fifteen and a sophomore at Sehome High School. She has a true passion for the harp and has been studying classical harp under the instruction of Jill Whitman for the past 7-8 years.

Sarah has performed for local and out of state weddings, parties, church functions, nursing homes, and for many other social events. She was also featured in the NOEL Christmas concerts throughout Bellingham and the surrounding areas. After high school, Sarah is considering a career in music. Her hobbies are running, mountain biking, friends, traveling, art and continuing her education.

Cassandra Dickerson has been playing the cello for six years, and enjoys every minute of it. For the last five years she has taken lessons from Coral Marchant and plans to continue that for the next few years. She has been a member of the Parkview Elementary, Whatcom Middle School and Bellingham High School orchestras as a cellist. Also, since the age of five, she plays with the Mount Baker Youth Symphony. Last summer, she participated in the Marrowstone summer music camp, and consecutively for four years, the camp "Chamber Days" put on by her private teacher. She is very excited about attending the Meadowmount School of Music in Westport, NY, this coming summer.

Lena Montgomery Vocal Award Winners

Lydia Wassan has studied voice with Susan Johnson for five years. She has participated in many musical competitions and opportunities in the community, including the Solo and Ensemble contest where she attended the State competition last year, the Bellingham Youth Jazz band (as a vocalist), and Bellingham High School's *West Side Story*, as Maria. She has previously won the 3rd place and the 2nd place award for the Lena Montgomery scholarship and is very excited to be able to sing for you today. She plans to use the award to continue her study of voice next year while studying abroad in Spain, and thanks the Bellingham Music Club very much for their contribution.

Evan Kuykendall is extremely excited to receive his award from the BMC. Evan participates in many musical groups within his school community, ranging from small BHS Chamber Orchestra to the large BHS Concert Choir. Evan is also an active member of the BHS Drama Club and was recently seen as Tony in *West Side Story*. He is proud to have contributed to the musical community by participating in many competitions for large and small ensembles and plans to further his contributions by becoming a high school music teacher.

Lindsey Nakatani is a 16 year old sophomore at Squalicum High School, who loves to sing and is honored to be able to participate in this year's Lena Montgomery Vocal Awards ceremony. Lindsey is a 4.0 GPA student who absolutely loves to sing. She participates in athletics as well as multiple clubs, local drama and her high school's music program. Lindsey lives with her mother Kim, her father Dale, her brother Christopher and her sister Danielle. After graduation from Squalicum, Lindsey plans to pursue her intended career in operatic vocals. Lindsey thanks her family for their many years of love and support, her voice teacher Susan Johnson for her amazing coaching and the Bellingham Music Club for this wonderful opportunity!

Jeremiah O'Brine is a 16 years old sophomore at Ferndale High School where he sings in the concert choir and a men's group called the Talons. He began performing at 7 years old singing "My Heart will go on" in his elementary school talent show. Thus began his passion for performing. In 2005 he began to study with Robert Viens and fell in love with classical music. He has performed in a number of talent shows and theater productions. This year, he earned 1st place in the San Juan solo/ensemble contest, and was invited to join the 2007 All State Honor Choir. He is planning to continue to study music in college.