

The Bellingham Music Club  
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10:30 a.m.  
Faith Lutheran Church



The Newsletter of the Bellingham Music Club  
Dorothy Wachter, Editor Emerita

No program in January

Join us on February 6  
to hear the winners  
of the Enid Carrick  
Piano Awards.

You are also welcome  
to the auditions,  
which will be held on  
January 19 from 9 am  
at Faith Lutheran.

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"to foster and encourage the  
growth and development of  
musical appreciation and per-  
formance in the community."  
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The Bellingham Music Club  
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Today's Artists

## The Bellingham Recorder Players

Presented by Hélène Minari

Directed by Patricia Hawkins Hiss

### Opening Notes

Is there anything more fun than the season's first snowfall? Yes! Right up there with the fast thaw, is the Bellingham Music Club's **Holiday Concert!** Nothing will put you "in the mood" like Patricia Hawkins Hiss' group of talented recorder players and their

Early Music. No doubt, you will be dazzled by the Bellingham Recorder Players' artistry, playfulness and audacity. What a privilege to count such gifted performers amongst our community!

### Our November Program

... was the first ever comprised entirely of music created and performed by a single person! Pianist-composer Victoria Ebel-Sabo is well-known to piano teachers and choral instructors nationwide, through her prolific published compositions for young piano students and choristers, some of which are best-sellers. Victoria's program ranged from an affecting memorial for a

long-time mentor, to a set of arresting nature-vignettes, to excerpts from a ballet, to the keyboard pyrotechnics of "On the Verge." Victoria and husband Dan Sabo are the creators of the popular "House Concert" salon performance series, which restores bygone intimacy and charm to virtuoso piano recitals.

A dynamic duo indeed!

### From the Board

Dearest BMC member **Virginia Addis** is moving to warmer skies, and will join her son Jeff in Costa Rica. Virginia, we will miss you, but wish you all the best and will think about you fondly.

**Welcome to new members** June Crinkley, Robert McDonnell, Doris Olmstead, Thomas Crosley, and Mary Passmore.

Your generous basket donations are truly appreciated.

### Sound Bites

Upcoming **live moviecasts** of the Metropolitan Opera include *Roméo et Juliette* on Dec. 15, *Hansel and Gretel* on Jan. 1, and *Macbeth* on Jan. 12. You can go to the site [metoperafamily.org/metopera](http://metoperafamily.org/metopera) and click on "HD Live" to find the nearest theater and encore presentation dates. Of course, the simplest way to know more is to talk to Clyde Hiss or Jack Frymire!

This month's **Coming Events** section is huge! Hoping that you have enjoyed the November issue of the **Entertainment News** glossy magazine, we still feel that we should point out performances of special interest to music lovers. The "Fourth Corner" offers an abundance of activities and concerts, from the Holiday Port Festival (which will present over 1,000 local performers) to opera, and moving onto the New Year, to distinguished local and guest artists!

This Holiday Season, join the hottest trend and **give experiences instead of stuff!** Concert tickets, yoga or painting lessons, restaurant gift cards, etc., warm the heart, expand the mind, and need no wrapping! For ideas, visit [wastefreeholidays.com](http://wastefreeholidays.com).

The WSO has an instrument loan program; interested students can download application forms on [whatcomsymphony.com](http://whatcomsymphony.com).

## Coming Events

### Saturday, December 8

8 pm  
WWU PAC Concert Hall  
\$16 Adults, \$13 Seniors  
\$7 Children

### Sunday, December 9

2 pm  
Whatcom Museum Rotunda

### Sunday, December 9

3 pm  
\$20 including refreshments

### Friday, December 14

8:00 pm  
WWU PAC Concert Hall  
Adults \$15, Seniors and  
Students \$12, Free under 18

### Saturday, December 15, 7:30 pm

St. James Presbyterian Church  
\$7 Adults, \$5 Seniors

### Sunday, December 16, 2 pm

Whatcom Museum Rotunda

### Sunday, December 16

3:00 pm and 7:30 pm  
First Congregational Church  
Adults \$15, Students and  
Seniors \$12, Under 18 \$5

### Friday, Dec. 21, 7:30 pm

Sunday, Dec. 23, 2:00 pm  
McIntyre Hall (Mount Vernon)

### Sunday, January 13, 3:00 pm

Firehouse Center (Fairhaven)

### Sunday, January 20

3:00 pm  
Mount Baker Theatre  
\$19/\$23

### Friday, January 25, 7:30 pm

WWU PAC Concert Hall  
\$16-\$13-\$9

Entering its 20<sup>th</sup> year, the 85-voice **Kulshan Chorus** stages a colorful concert entitled "Music of the Celtic Tradition." Variety & musical power characterize this performance. Bring your family and friends for a fun-filled evening with midwinter warmth. Tickets available at the Community Food Co-op, Village Books, the PAC Box Office (650-6146), or at the door.

The **Bellingham Bagpipe Band** presents "Holidays with the Highlanders." This is the community's once-a-year sit-down opportunity to hear the band perform traditional Scottish tunes and special songs for the season! Free event.

Jazz pianist and composer **Jon Mutchler** performs a Holiday House Concert in an elegant home setting. This will be a unique and inspiring experience! Call 671-6104 or 661-5984 for information and reservations (limited seating).

The **Bellingham Chamber Chorale** presents "Mass Appeal: Vienna meets Estonia and Argentina," featuring contrasting settings of the Mass by Mozart, Arvo Pärt, and Ariel Ramirez. The Argentinean Mass features percussion, brass, harpsichord and native instruments. Tickets available at the Community Food Co-op, Village Books, Piper Music, and the PAC Box Office (650-6146).

**Local women's choirs** Allegra, Dolcissima, and Sarabande present an evening of Eastern European, Scandinavian, and English carols conducted by Ann McDonald. More info: 676-2396.

**The Mount Baker Toppers** will delight you with their repertoire of barbershop harmony and diverse array of popular and patriotic songs. Free event.

The **Whatcom Chorale and Sinfonietta** present "The Many Moods of the Season" under the direction of Charles Peterson. The concert features beloved carols, nostalgic songs, and sacred musical texts, including Andrea Gabrieli's 16<sup>th</sup> century "Magnificat" for three choruses. Tickets available at Village Books, Piper Music, the Greenhouse, Everybody's Store, and at the door.

**The Skagit Opera** presents *Amahl and the Night Visitors* by Gian Carlo Menotti, a beautiful Christmas miracle that is a treat for the whole family! Visit [skagitopera.com](http://skagitopera.com) for information or call 1-866-624-6897 for tickets.

Classical pianists **Jeffrey Gilliam** and **Dan Sabo** perform solo pieces in this Bellingham House Concert. Information/tickets: 671-6104. \$15-\$12-\$10

**Whatcom Symphony Orchestra:** The Romantic Masters Classical Concert II will feature dynamic and charismatic young virtuoso Corey Cerovsek performing the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto on a 1728 Stradivarius. Tickets: 734-6080 or [mountbakertheatre.com](http://mountbakertheatre.com).

**The WWU Sanford Piano Series** presents renowned teacher and accomplished musician Robert Roux. Tickets available at Village Books, the Community Food Co-op, or at the PAC Box Office (650-6146).

We're on the Web!  
[bellinghammusicclub.org](http://bellinghammusicclub.org)

## Happy and Safe Holidays!

Don't forget to put your **Christmas tree** by the curb for the Saturday, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> pickup!

**Bellingham Music Club**

December 5, 2007

**The Bellingham Recorder Players**  
**Patricia Hawkins Hiss, Artistic Director**

**Music for the Christmas Season**

In a Cathedral

*(Thank you for saving your applause until the end of each group)*

Canzona XIII	Giovanni Gabrieli
Procession from <i>A Ceremony of Carols, Op.28</i>	Benjamin Britten
Hodie Christus Natus Est	Giovanni Bassano

In a Village

A Feast of Music	collected from Medieval Manuscript
Prelude	by Michael Bennet and arr. by Hiss
Hymn	
Jig	
Song of the Ass	
Carol	
There is No Rose of Such Virtue	
Lo, How a Rose e're Blooming	Michael Praetorius
Dance	

In a Pasture

Three Dances for Crumhorns	Zanetti
La Bergamasca	
La Girometta	
La Mantovana	
Riu Riu Chiu	Tradition Spanish Arr. Loux

In the Parlor

Wassail Song of Gloucestershire	Traditional
Kling, Glöckchen	Arr. Geisler
I Wonder as I Wander	John Jacob Niles
Patapan	Arr. Moore

In your Stocking

Winter Wonderland	Felix Bernard Arr. John Peck
Moonlight Serenade	Glen Miller Arr. Leenhouts
Deck the Halls	Traditional

## Bellingham Recorder Players

**Vreni Blatter** was born in Zurich, Switzerland and now lives in White Rock, B.C. She loves to ski, bike, hike and travel.

**Debbie Cantrell** was born in Worcester, MA, and now lives in Fairhaven. She is a biologist and keeps busy growing vegetables and flowers, and raising chickens.

**Joy Church** was born in Pittsburgh, PA, and now lives in Bellingham. She has a schizophrenic life singing in several choirs, playing recorder, hiking, skiing and kayaking.

**Christine Cooper** was born and lives in Mount Vernon, WA. She plays recorders and hand bells with several groups, and enjoys crafts, travel, opera, and genealogy.

**Sharon Digby** was born in Anacortes and lives in Van Zandt. She is president of the Board for the Friends of the Deming Library. She is a geologist, skier, hiker and an avid birder.

**Bill Gardner** was born in Bellingham and lives in Birch Bay. He was a founding member of the Bellingham Recorder Players in the mid 60's. He sails, travels the world and plays recorder with several groups.

**Patricia Hiss** was born Buffalo, NY, and now lives in Sudden Valley. She loves to travel, sew and do all sorts of crafts. For 11 years now, directing the dedicated Bellingham Recorder Players has been a great pleasure.

**Elizabeth Howell** was born in Berkeley, California and now lives in Bellingham. She enjoys gardening, singing, walking and tai chi. She has sung in various choirs over the years.

**Sharon Jones** was born in Westminster, B.C. and now lives in White Rock, B.C. She is a member of the Valley Outdoor Association and Naturalist Club. She loves to ski, hike and kayak.

**Herta Kurp** was born in Germany and lives in Anacortes. She plays music with various groups including the Island Pipers. She enjoys backpacking and folk dancing.

**Barbara Macklow** was born in Wheaton, MN, and now lives in Bellingham. She runs marathons and does triathlons.

**Jo McClain** was born in Cabin Creek, WV, and lives in Bellingham. He is an instructor in the Coast Guard Auxiliary (Coxswain).

**Ellinor Nussli** was born in Bremen, Germany and now lives in White Rock B.C. She plays with several groups and enjoys finding new music.

**Eve Talmage** was born in Seattle and now lives in Bellingham. She is an avid player of early music and also enjoys drawing and painting.

**Emma Zook** was born and raised in central England and made Bellingham her home in 1996. Emma spends quite a lot of her time at Whatcom Hills Waldorf School where she teaches. She also likes to sail, ski, hike and walk her dog.