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this amazing day – musica intima's poetic Season Finale



Vancouver, BC – Have you ever imagined your favourite poem set to music? Have you thought to yourself, *this* would make a beautiful song! **On April 17th at Christ Church Cathedral** and **April 18th at St. Philip's Anglican Church**, musica intima will transform inspiration to reality in ***this amazing day***, a meditation on the union of text and song with a uniquely North American voice.

At the beginning of April, musica intima will tour to Northern British Columbia, stopping in towns such as Burns Lake, Smithers, Prince George and Quesnel and return just in time to present their final performance of the season. The concerts will feature a variety of works by North American composers such as Libby Larsen's setting of Walt Whitman's poetry in *Whitman's America*, Eric Whitacre's *i thank you god for most this amazing day* from the text by E.E.Cummings and *On Monsieur's Departure*, a love poem by Queen Elizabeth I, commissioned by musica intima and composed by Vancouver's own Jeffrey Ryan.

Other highlighted composers include Stacy Garrop, Ned Rorem, Ed Henderson, Gwyneth Walker, Morten Lauridsen, and Samuel Barber.

Join **musica intima** for ***this amazing day***

Friday, April 17th at 8:00pm
Christ Church Cathedral, 690 Burrard Street

Saturday, April 18th at 3:00pm
St. Philip's Anglican Church, 3737 West 27th Avenue
Tea and Talk at 2pm before the show on April 18th – Join us for tea and goodies in the Fireside Room before the concert.

Adults \$30 / Seniors \$25 / Students \$10
Tickets and Information at www.musicaintima.org or 604-731-6618

What makes musica intima so unique?

The 12 professional singers rehearse and perform without a conductor. In rehearsal, they exchange ideas freely while exploring their own musical creativity. In performance, they engage the audience with a spontaneity and freshness all their own.

Founded in 1992, musica intima has become an integral part of Vancouver's cultural fabric. Known around the world for their warm and engaging stage presence, impeccable musicianship, and unique perspective on ensemble singing, musica intima has appeared in France at Polyfolia, the American Choral Directors Association Conventions in Hartford and Vancouver, Cork International Choral Festival in Ireland, and most recently at the World Symposium on Choral Music in Copenhagen, Denmark.

"The stars of Thursday night's gala concert were musica intima from Canada, whose uninhibited, natural sound, superb choral discipline and extraordinary varied programme was a joy to hear."

Declan Townsend | *Irish Examiner*

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