

The **Chorus Hamilton** (formerly the Mohawk College Community Choir) has become one of Hamilton's finest choral ensembles. Founded by Patricia Rolston in 1968 to participate in the opening of the college's Fennell Campus, the choir has grown into a 75 member semi-professional choral society with singers from all walks of life who have their vocal talent and love of choral music in common. The ensemble performs a large variety of music – from chamber music to the greatest large scale works in the choral repertoire, often with orchestral accompaniment. The choir has performed with Symphony Hamilton, the University of Guelph Symphony and the Brantford Symphony Orchestra (premiering Alun Hoddinott's *Bells of Paradise*). The choir has also

collaborated with the McMaster University Choir and full orchestra performing Brahms' *Ein Deutsches Requiem*, Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass* and Vaughan Williams' *Dona Nobis Pacem*, and with Fanshawe Chorus London and the Redeemer University Sinfonia performing Karl Jenkins' *Stabat Mater*. Concerts are held throughout the Hamilton, Dundas, and Niagara areas as well as on the Mohawk campus. New members are invited to audition every September and January. Visit our website for concert listings and more information:

www.chorushamilton.ca



David Holler is active as an orchestral and choral conductor, tenor soloist and private music instructor. He has studied at the University of Western Ontario, Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ, and is currently working on his Doctorate of Musical Arts in Choral Conducting at the University of Toronto with

Dr. Hilary Apfelstadt. In the Niagara region, he founded the Mercredi Musique String Chamber Ensemble & Chorus, continues to teach private music lessons and serves as music director of St. Julia's Church. As a tenor soloist, Mr. Holler has performed with York University's Professional Opera Training Workshop, Summer Opera Lyric Theatre and in several oratorio performances with Niagara's Choralis Camerata. Mr. Holler has appeared in several solo and chamber music concerts with the Niagara International Chamber Music Festival in Niagara-onthe-Lake and continues to perform solo recitals in the Niagara region. In Hamilton, he has directed the McMaster University Choir and is currently artistic director of Chorus Hamilton (formerly the Mohawk College Community Choir). Mr. Holler was the director of the Men's Chorus at the University of Toronto for two years and is the artistic director of the London Fanshawe Symphonic Chorus Organization.



Dr. Erika Reiman studied piano at Mount Allison and McGill Universities and earned a PhD in musicology from the University of Toronto. She is the author of *Schumann's Piano Cycles and the Novels* of Jean Paul, published by the University of Rochester Press in 2004. In addition to her piano teaching duties at Brock University,

she is active as soloist, accompanist, and chamber musician throughout Southern Ontario. In 2008, she was the soloist in the premiere performance of David Fawcett's *Concerto for Piano and Orchestra*.





For tickets or more information please call: (905) 526-7938 Visit our website: <u>www.chorushamilton.ca</u>

### of Carols Benjamin Britten

**A** Ceremony

### **Chorus Hamilton**

David Holler, conductor



Welcome the Christmas season with one of English composer Benjamin Britten's most popular choral works with harp accompaniment - with more traditional Christmas favourites and audience participation in the second half. Join us downstairs for Christmas cheer following the performance.

#### Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 7:30 p.m. St. Paul's United Church 29 Park Street West

Dundas, ON Regular Admission - \$25 Students/Seniors - \$20

## CARMINA BURANA Carl Orff

Chorus Hamilton Fanshawe Chorus London David Holler, conductor

With texts originating from the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup> centuries, Carl Orff has created a lasting masterpiece frequently performed throughout the world. The fickleness of fortune and wealth, the ephemeral nature of life, and the pleasures and perils of drinking, gluttony, gambling and lust are all present in this timeless and awe inspiring composition.



Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 3:00 p.m. Christ Church Anglican Cathedral 252 James Street North, Hamilton, ON Regular Admission- \$25 Seniors/Students - \$20

# A NIGHT AT THE OPERA

### Chorus Hamilton David Holler, conductor

Join Chorus Hamilton in celebrating the greatest music from the opera stage. The choir, along with soloists, will perform arias and choruses from operas throughout history from compositional greats Purcell, Verdi, Leoncavallo, Bizet, Humperdinck, Offenbach and many more! Come hear the romantic and sensual sounds of the best that opera has to offer!



Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 7:30 p.m. St. Paul's United Church 29 Park Street West Dundas, ON Regular Admission - \$25 Students/Seniors - \$20