Sunday, April 9 at 2 pm

"Persian Spring"



Douglas Hensley, Faraidoun Akhavan and Arian Aminalroaya

Back by popular demand! Ensemble Daryâ brings us the fascinating and exotic sounds of ancient Persia, played on traditional instruments such as the tombak and daff. Based on the 12 modes that underlie classical Persia's beautiful musical palette, these compositions and improvisations create a mind-expanding and sensational experience for the listener.

Sunday, May 7 at 2 pm

"Ultimate Visions"



Bruce Vogt, piano

A favourite with audiences everywhere, and playing with "rare grandeur" (*The Times, London, England*), pianist Bruce Vogt will plumb the spiritual depths of Beethoven's last sonata (Op. 111) and exquisite late works of Brahms, among other priceless treasures penned by great composers in the full power of their maturity.

Sunday, June 11 at 2 pm

"From the Heart"



Natasha Hall, violin

Brilliant young Canadian violinist Natasha Hall arrives from the U.K. to share some of the music she loves. Exciting, electrifying and emotional, this program includes works by Mozart, Richard Strauss, and Prokofiev, as well as the tender "Poème" by Chausson.

Celebrate the coming of summer with music that speaks directly to your heart.

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Sunday, October 16 at 2 pm

"Images in Sound"



Marco Grieco, piano

Let your imagination run free as prize-winning Italian pianist Marco Grieco vividly brings to life the evocative powers of two 19th Century Titans: Beethoven and Liszt. Virtuosic and spellbinding, this program invites an appreciation of how ably music captures images in sound.

Sunday, November 13 at 2 pm

"A Reflection of Clarinet"



Connie Gitlin, clarinet and piano

At home in concert halls in Tel Aviv as well as across North America, this brilliant and versatile musician will present a variety of works for solo clarinet and for solo piano. Prepare for a lively ride from Bach to Chopin, with a dash of soulful Klezmer added for extra spice.

Sunday, December 11 at 2 pm

"Welcome December"



Cowichan Valley Youth Choir

Venue: Chemainus United Church 9814 Willow St, Chemainus

Share the eager anticipation of the Cowichan Valley Youth Choirs as they sing their hearts out to welcome the season. Under the masterful direction of Sheila Johnson, these young musicians' soaring voices beautifully communicate the excitement and joy they feel during this most festive month.

Tea reception to follow at St Michael's Church

Sunday, January 15 at 2 pm

"Power and Whimsy"



Elias-Axel Pettersson, piano

Hailed for his "breathtaking virtuosity," Swedish-American pianist Elias-Axel Pettersson showcases works by European and Russian composers, including Mendelssohn's soaring Rondo Capriccioso, Ravel's floating Sonatine, Blumenfeld's eloquent LH Etude, Berg's passionate Sonata, and Franck's monumental Prelude, Choral et Fugue.

Sunday, February 5 at 2 pm

"Costas"



Charles Hobson, guitar Marie-Noëlle Choquette, flûte

Duo Beija-Flor, whose music "surprises and energizes," (Global TV's Montreal Morning News) presents a program of repertoire from the Latin countries that border the Atlantic Ocean. From the passionate Argentinean tango and the lively rhythms of Brazilian sambas to the longing sounds of the Portuguese fado and the Jewish sephardic melodies of Spain, Costas is certain to fill you with all that embodies the Latin world.

Sunday, March 5 at 2 pm

"Athletic Etudes"



Kara Huber, piano

Dynamic and captivating American pianist Kara Huber performs exciting works by American composers Joan Tower and David Rakowski, including his athletic Etudes "Fists of Fury" and "Absofunkinlutely." Lauded by the *Washington Post* for her "mature vision," Huber will conclude her program with Rachmaninoff's epic Preludes, Op. 32.