OUTDOOR SUMMER MUSIC CONCERTS AT BENARES HISTORIC HOUSE JUNE TO AUGUST, FRIDAYS AT 7:30 PM

Bring-your-own picnic suppers are welcome. Please arrive early to secure a table for your enjoyment.

Bring your sing-along voices, insect repellent and blankets or lawn chairs.

ADMISSION IS PAY-WHAT-YOU-CAN.

A collection is taken at intermission: suggested donation is \$5 per person and \$10 for a family. The proceeds are divided between the Friends of the Museums and performers. The Friends of the Museums portion is designated to assist with transportation expenses for school children to participate in experiential history at Benares Historic House, Bradley Museum and Leslie Log House.

Friends of the Museums of Mississauga is an incorporated, not-for-profit registered charitable organization with a mission to engage volunteers and enhance community awareness through promotion, participation and fundraising to ensure the integrity of the Museums.

Benares Historic House

1507 Clarkson Road North, Mississauga www.museumsofmississauga.com 905-615-4860, ext. 2110

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June 1 Inaugural Concert of the Season "Last Night of the Proms" presented by the Choir of St. Peter's Erindale in honour of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Last Night of the Proms, based on an annual tradition in London, England, features an audience sing-a-long of such favourites as Rule Britannia, Jerusalem and others. Last Night of the Proms attempts to recapture some of this, and includes several favourite pieces from around the U.K. and Commonwealth. Everyone is encouraged to dress in red, white and blue attire and to bring their singing voices – we'll provide the Union Jacks to wave! "Queen Victoria" will be present!

June 8 features Viva!Trio formed by friends Heather Snowden (flute) and Carla Perrotta-Pyrgos (clarinet) in 2009. They have had the pleasure of playing at Benares for many years and welcome new member Garrett Knecht (cello) and a new set of repertoire that includes Classical favourites, music from the library of George Gershwin, and contemporary tango.

June 15 Mississauga Children's Choir celebrated their 30th Anniversary in 2011 and performed at Benares for the first time. We are delighted to have this award-winning choir back again this season, highlighting choral singing of the highest calibre. www.mississaugachildrenschoir.com

June 22 Quantum Brass is pleased to bring their Brass Quintet to Mississauga. This Oakville Brass ensemble loves to play together and it shows in their performances. The music ranges from classics to popular to show tunes and more. Leading up to Canada Day, this show promises songs from our great country along with crowd favourites. Quantum Brass has also been known to mix in a surprise or two.

June 29 Folk duo Ablett and Cooper, are perennial favourites at On the Verandah! With common influences such as Bruce Cockburn, John Fahey and Stefan Grossman, Don Ablett and Brent Cooper have developed a style that has thrilled fans young and old around Southern Ontario. The most outstanding features noted by audiences are Brent and Don's vocal harmonies and the complex and spectacular fingerstyle interplay between their two guitars. www.ablettandcooper.ca.

July 6 After a very successful evening at her 2011 debut with "On the Verandah", we're pleased to welcome back jazz vocalist Denise Leslie. Denise is a passionate singer with deep dark tones and an impeccable feel for the jazz genre. She is able to offer even more to an audience with infusions of musical styles beyond jazz. Get your ears warmed up at www.myspace.com/deniselesliejazzvocalist.

July 13 On the Verandah with Moira Nelson (harp, voice, guitar) and Elena Jubinville (cello, voice, guitar). Moira and Elena combine vocal harmonies, harp, cello, and guitars in a fusion of original, celtic, classical and traditional music, with just a touch of the blues. A refreshingly modern take on traditional music – romantic, edgy, magical. This year's program includes new material and selections from all three of Moira's CDs. Visit www.willowmyst.com

July 20 No "On the Verandah" concert this weekend. Instead, enjoy Driftwood Theatre's production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" at Bradley Museum, 1620 Orr Road, 7:30 pm, Sat. July 21 and Sun. July 22. www.driftwoodtheatre.com

July 27 On the Verandah welcomes Rob Tardik, the Canadian 2010 Smooth Jazz Guitarist of the Year! With the new 2012 release of his second single "Shakin The House" off his third studio CD, B.E.L.L., Canadian born Rob Tardik is poised to make a musically infectious return to concerts and radio worldwide. Through further establishing himself as a serious player in the contemporary jazz genre, Rob will continue to support his passion for the guitar and to share his true love of performing live music for audiences everywhere. Take a listen at www.robtardik.com.

August 3 Abeena Samm performs her second program On the Verandah.

Abeena is a multi-talented singer/songwriter who wows audiences with her collection of folk, gospel and reggae tunes. Sample her inspirational and traditional sounds at www.abeenasamm.com.

August 10 features Licorice Allsorts Clarinet Quartet. Deriving their name from the nickname for the clarinet "the licorice stick" and the fact that they play "all sorts" of music, the Licorice Allsorts have been delighting audiences with their vast repertoire and virtuoso style since the 1980s! From Gershwin to Bach, Beethoven and Mozart, the Licorice Allsorts Clarinet Quartet are sure to bring a program with something to entertain everyone. www.liquoriceallsortsquartet.com

August 17 deVah performs for the first time On the Verandah. As newly minted Yamaha Artists in 2011, deVah is comprised of an electric violin, two electric 5-string hybrids, an electric cello capable of multi bass octaves, and guest drums. DeVah invents a rich texture of sound utilizing various non-acoustic modifying tools creating a different tone and dimension to their music. Take a listen at www.devahquartet.com

August 24 welcomes Italian Canadian singer songwriter, Antonio Piretti – TOZ. Antonio Piretti (TOZ) expresses thought and life experiences into his music delivered acoustically through voice and guitar both in English and Italian. Take a listen at www.bytoz.it

August 31 We welcome Age of Reason back to On the Verandah. This folk group performs at Benares every year and we always have a blast listening to their 60s & 70s classics. The familiar repertoire includes hit songs taking you back to your teens! Wear your tie-dye shirt, bandana, shades, and shabby jeans to fit right in. www.ageofreason.ca

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