# The ACCOB Newsletter

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#### **CALENDAR**

**September...** Culture Days

October...
ACCOB Fundraiser

Please stay tuned for future events

### The Arts & Culture Council of Burlington [ACCOB]

is a not-for-profit arts and cultural organization dedicated to creating a vibrant, diverse artistic and cultural community

### **EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS**

Events which we hope help you as members:

- Robert Bateman Highschool adaptive re-use project (EICS-20-22) —
   Earlier this year the City of Burlington announced they will be putting out a Request of Interest for possible uses of space in Phase 2 of the indoor areas at the Bateman school site later in 2023.
  - The Arts and Culture Council of Burlington is hoping to put in a Request of Interest on behalf of the Arts and Culture sector in our City.
- Newsletter ACCOB started a quarterly newsletter in 2019. If members in good standing have anything to contribute please send the information to info@artscultureburlington.ca by September 15, 2023 and the next newsletter will be released in October, 2023. Please send in Word format, no more than 1 page in length, all photos must be in jpg or png format and attached to your email.
- If you have some interest in being a volunteer or in being on our Board, please contact us. As a Board we meet once a month via Zoom and we also work on various things throughout the year. Please contact us at info@artscultureburlington.ca.



#### Arts Grants

Ontario Trillium Foundation - www.otf.ca

Ontario Arts Council - https://www.arts.on.ca/home?lang=en-ca

The Catherine and Maxwell Meighan Foundation - <a href="https://thecatherineandmaxwellmeighenfoundation.ca/">https://thecatherineandmaxwellmeighenfoundation.ca/</a>

The Metcalf Foundation - <a href="https://metcalffoundation.com/">https://metcalffoundation.com/</a>

JP Bickell Foundation - <a href="https://www.scotiawealthmanagement.com/ca/en/home/scotiatrust/jp-bickell-foundation.html">https://www.scotiawealthmanagement.com/ca/en/home/scotiatrust/jp-bickell-foundation.html</a>

ACCOB Memberships – If you have not yet renewed your membership for 2023 please do so! The annual cost of a membership is \$25.00 for individuals and \$50.00 for groups. Please pay by e-transfer to <a href="mailto:info@artscultureburlington.ca">info@artscultureburlington.ca</a> if you are able. If you need to send a cheque, please note we have a new address which is associated with our Treasurer:

ACCOB c/o 25 Ann Moore Crescent Guelph, ON N1L 0J1

• ACCOB Fundraiser – ACCOB will be holding a fundraising event on October 24, 2023 at Nickelbrook Brewing. Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for details!

ACCOB is a self reliant arts and culture council, receiving funds through membership and fundraising. For this reason, it is important that you renew your membership annually and tell others about membership. It is also important to attend fundraisers as the funds help us help you. ACCOB hopes to plan some fundraisers and workshops in the future. We would love to hear your ideas and would love for you to be involved either as a participant or as a volunteer! Please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@artscultureburlington.ca">info@artscultureburlington.ca</a>.

 ACCOB Youtube Channel – ACCOB now has its own YouTube channel which can be found at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrRNgNwTcvhkFqumLo2LbiA/videos">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrRNgNwTcvhkFqumLo2LbiA/videos</a>. We hope you will visit the channel and view our new workshops as well as the past ones if you have not already done so!

ACCOB applied for and received a BACF grant. Charles Cozens and Angela Paparizo filmed three workshops at B Town Sound in Burlington on February 26, 2023. Two out of three of this year's new workshops have been released:

<u>La Danse Nouveau</u> - Explores the compositional relationship between spontaneously created dance and music.

<u>Poetry in Motion</u> - Explores the effect of music on the performance of a literary work in the style of Slam Poetry.

If you are a paid ACCOB member and would like one of your videos placed on our YouTube channel, please contact us at <a href="mailto:info@artscultureburlington.ca">info@artscultureburlington.ca</a>. We will give consideration to all content provided to us, however, reserve the right to only upload content which we view as relevant and appropriate.

- **Culture Days** ACCOB is starting to plan its Culture Days event for 2023. Stay tuned for more information about that!
- Burlington Performing Arts Centre Hall of Fame ACCOB is pleased to advise that our very own Vice President Charles Cozens is the 2023 inductee to the Burlington Performing Arts Centre Hall of Fame.

Charles Cozens, acclaimed Arranger, Orchestrator and Composer with over 3,000 commissioned titles for a variety of artists, recordings, orchestras, in many musical genres, is the 2023 inductee into the Burlington Performing Arts Hall of Fame. As an Orchestral Conductor, he has had numerous guest appearances across Canada, The United States and Russia. As a Producer he has over 200 CD recordings for major recording companies and indie labels in many musical genres from Classical to Pop, including the new 2nd International Branding of The Mozart Effect (Linus Entertainment, Spring Hill Records, Spring of 2017 Release – 17 albums).

Charles is also Vice President of The Arts and Culture Council of Burlington (ACCOB). As a member of that Board, he is the creator and producer of special creative projects for ACCOB. He has performed as a pianist for Culture Days on several occasions and has been a consultant for Culture Days programming in association with ACCOB and BPAC.

Charles is also the Founder and Conductor of the Burlington New Millennium Orchestra (BNMO), Burlington's only professional orchestra. In 2016, Charles founded the Burlington New Millennium Orchestra (BNMO), Burlington's only professional orchestra. BNMO has done approximately 19 performances in various venues including the Burlington Performing Arts Centre, Port Nelson United Church, Compass Point Church, The Sound of Music Festival, and the Rose Theatre in Brampton. Concerts have included performances with Carol Welsman, The Nylons, Broadway Today, The Practically Hip and several Christmas concerts with guest soloists and choirs. The most recent concert "Prodigiem", included nine prodigious young talents performing as guest artists with the full BNMO. In November of 2022, the BNMO recorded its first album in conjunction with Countermeasure, an acclaimed jazz a capella vocal ensemble from Toronto. In 2017 BNMO contributed to an important fundraising event for The Halton Children's Aid Society helping to raise over \$300,000 for the HCAS.

Charles is also Conductor and Artistic Director for the Windjammers Symphonic Concert Band, a philanthropic organization that partners with other charities to raise money for needy and impoverished children around the world. All the members of the Windjammers donate their time and skill. Under Charles' direction this philanthropic organization has raised over \$150,000 since 2018.

All of Charles' compositions and arrangements are created here in Burlington resulting in performances of the creative material locally, across Canada and internationally.

### MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

#### Burlington Welsh Ladies Chorus



The Burlington Welsh Ladies Chorus (BWLC) was founded in 2017 with nine members and since its founding, the main goal of the Chorus is to provide engaging entertainment for the city of Burlington and beyond. The Chorus has performed at various respected venues throughout Burlington and beyond including performances at the Atrium of the Royal Botanical Gardens, "Culture Days" in Burlington, Choir Fest,

Kincardine, Oakville Performing Arts Centre and various churches and music venues. We have also provided free concerts in various retirement and nursing homes throughout Burlington during our performing seasons and hope to continue with this rewarding community engagement.

We recently held a successful concert at the Church of the Ascension in Hamilton with guest Baritone Andrew Tees.

We will be performing a free concert on Wednesday June 21st 7-9:30 in the 'Concerts in the Park' series so bring your lawn chair down to the Bandshell and enjoy a few hours of song.

Upcoming concerts in the Fall/Winter season include a performance at Burlington Performing Arts Centre with the esteemed group 4SKOR, a dynamic and sophisticated vocal quartet.

We are currently planning a trip to St Johns Newfoundland for the International Choral Festival in June 2024.

The BWLC, currently boasting 42 members, are a self-funded, not-for-profit charitable organization. BWLC are continuously fundraising as we continue to grow in repertoire, reputation, and membership, while having a lot of fun along the way. We would love to invite you to one of our rehearsals to check us out. We practice on Tuesdays from 7:00 – 9:30 P.M. at St. Matthew on-the-Plains Anglican Church, 126 Plains Road E, Burlington, ON, L7T 2C3. Please check out our web site for more information about us and our upcoming events. bwlcladieschorus.ca

#### Hayley Verrall



Hello, Burlington! I'm loving this warm weather and the fact that I can be out enjoying life and making memories!

Speaking of memories, have you ever noticed that sometimes you're just in way too much of a hurry to do something or get somewhere and that it causes you to miss some special moments?

Well, guess what? My new single 'Slow Motion' is being released on July 14, 2023 and it talks about that very thing! I hope you will <u>presave</u> it and then stream the crap out of it on July 14!

I'm pleased to say that I've been officially nominated by the International Singer Songwriter Association for International Female Single of the Year for 'I Guess That's Love' and I've also been nominated for Rising Star and Vocalist of the Year (Modern Country) by the Josie Music Awards.

I'm having a pretty busy summer so far. You can catch me on July 14 at the Acoustic Music Series at Ireland House, July 17-21 on the Jackson Square rooftop patio, August 12 at the Burlington Buttertart Festival, August 20 at the Dundas Cactus Festival, September 23 at the Milton Fall Fair, October 4 at the Casbah Songwriter's Lounge, October 7, 8, and 9 at the Rockton World's Fair and October 13 at Conservation Halton's Hops and Harvest Festival.

Please follow me on all social media at @hayleyverrallmusic and if you have Spotify or any other streaming platform, please don't forget to listen to my music there!

## **OPPORTUNITIES & COLLABORATIONS**

- Publish your arts and culture events Post your upcoming events on the ACCOB website at https://www.artscultureburlington.ca/events/ or email info@artscultureburlington.ca to post on FB.
- **Send us information** If you have content for upcoming newsletters please email it to info@artscultureburlington.ca.
- **Website** ACCOB has updated and improved its website. Please check www.artscultureburlington.ca for information about ACCOB, its board members and member events.

### **CALLING FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

Please send us interesting and relevant articles! Concerns?

Questions & Suggestions?

ACCOB is VOLUNTEER run and needs YOUR help!

Please send new contact info or e-mail changes to info@artscultureburlington.ca