

Saturday, October 2, 2010

Also featuring Watrous Jubilees



Annette Campagne (SK)

She's the straight-shooting poet of a prairie girl who has seen the world but who revels in her prairie roots, singing about heartbreak and the thrill of new beginnings; about fury and forgiveness. Annette Campagne (formerly of the group Hart Rouge) has been playing music long enough to know that a performance should be a 'happening'. She strives to make it just that with songs that create a 'comfortable connectedness'. With multi-instrumentalist Dave Lawlor, Annette leads us through her songs, the last of which are performed with 3 members of her gospel choir. Contemporary folk at its best!

www.annettemusic.ca

You Tube Link: <http://www.youtube.com/annettecampagne>

Monday, November 1,
2010



Prairie Debut presents Lucille Chung and Alessio Bax (QC/Italy/NY)

Alessio Bax & Lucille Chung, piano duo, 4 hands 1 piano
Alessio Bax, Italian-born and Canadian permanent resident, is the First Prize Winner of the Leeds International Piano Competition and the Hamamatsu International Piano Competition and Montreal-born Lucille Chung, is the First Prize Winner of the Stravinsky International Competition. Between themselves, they have performed with over 130 leading orchestras such as the London Philharmonic, Montreal Symphony Orchestra, NHK Symphony, BBC National Orchestra under the direction of conductors such as Sir Simon Rattle, Charles Dutoit and Krzysztof Penderecki. As recitalists, they have performed at New York's Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center, London's Royal Festival Hall and Wigmore Hall, Washington's Kennedy Center, and Tokyo's Suntory Hall. Alessio and Lucille met at the 1997 and began a friendship that eventually led to their marriage. In 2003 The Ottawa Chamber Music Festival had the brilliant idea to put them together as a piano duo and since then the two-piano and piano-four-hand format has become an important addition to their solo careers. They have performed together on the world's most prestigious platforms in the United Kingdom, Spain, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Israel, Palestine, Korea, China, Barbados, Aruba, Guatemala, USA and Canada. Their live broadcast performances of the Rachmaninov Suites and Stravinsky's own astonishing four-hand version of his complete ballet Petrouchka on CBC/Radio-Canada, have established them as one of the most dynamic and brilliant young Canadian piano duos of their generation. With the Bax/Chung duo, the concert becomes a unique experience, "a perfect combination and balance of unity of thought and individual personalities", filled with their passion for music and zest for life. Prairie Debut is thrilled to be able to present such accomplished artists to prairie communities.

www.prairiedebut.com

YouTube Link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xuQvFDKv4ZU>

Saturday, January 29, 2011



**Dave
Carroll (NS)**

With a clear, warm and intimate approach to music that has been delighting audiences for over a decade, Dave Carroll last

appeared for OSAC audiences as a member of Sons of Maxwell. Dave's clear, warm vocal style has been compared to James Taylor, Neil Finn, Chris Isaac and Keith Urban but more often than not what strikes listeners is that Dave Carroll sings with his own voice, telling stories and sharing his unique observations of the world in which we live.

www.davecarrollmusic.com

YouTube Link:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5YGc4zOqozo>

Extra Show, not part of the Series.

Saturday, April 2, 2011



Blackthorn (BC)

Blackthorn is a Vancouver (Canada)-based folk group whose repertoire celebrates the traditional music of Ireland and Scotland as well as folk music of English and French Canada. The group formed in 1988 performing in local coffee houses and bars, expanding their horizons since then to include large-scale concerts, festivals, conventions, weddings, parties and private functions throughout western Canada and parts of the US. From lively jigs and reels to heart-wrenching airs and ballads, savour the melodies and intricately woven harmonies that bring this music to life in a new way, mixed with humour and above all else, fun.

www.youtube.com/blackthornband



Brothers from Different Mothers (USA)

The Brothers from Different Mothers have been performing all over the world for over 10 years. Voted Seattle's Funniest Comedy Team, Matt Baker and Alex Zerbe are also two-time Guinness World Record holders and have appeared on numerous television shows including America's Got Talent, CCTV in China and Fox Sports. Sharon Osbourne called them, "Hilarious" and The Seattle Times called their show, "Amazing." Their hip comedy show is action-packed with audience participation, interesting skills and perpetual laughter. The comedy never stops even when performing stunts like spearing vegetables in mid air, spitting ping-pong balls at volunteers or the famous machete leap of death. Their hilarious onstage banter often

draws comparison to comedy teams like The Smothers Brothers, Penn and Teller, and The Flying Karamazov Brothers. The Oregonian described their show as, "Stand up comedians with unbelievable skills." These half brothers started their performing careers as professional Hacky Sack players. As they toured the world competing with their unique skill they began integrating comedy as a way to add depth to their performances. Once they realized they had a knack to make people laugh, the Brother from Different Mothers Comedy Show began. Throughout their show Matt and Alex share their unique comic perspective on things like; the advantages of traveling light, outdated slang, unexpected uses of technology, things not to say to women, and the proper way to floss your teeth. They have made people laugh in over 14 countries, had Presidential candidates cracking up and have shared their humor with U.S troops overseas. When Matt and Alex are not headlining on cruise ships or creating custom material for companies like Boeing, AT&T, Nintendo, Frito-Lay and Microsoft, you can find them working relentlessly on perfecting their craft. They constantly work on new ideas as they fly to over 200 performances every year. Their desire to make every performance unique is one of the reasons Piers Morgan of NBC called them, "Funny, unique, and well choreographed; the total package!"

www.differentmothers.com

YouTube Link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=402G2edMqCw>