

The Joy Of Being Moved

Something exciting happens at the southeast corner of Kingston Road and Scarborough Road four times a year. If in the area just prior to this event, you will notice people gathering in lines happily chatting to neighbours or friends they haven't seen in a while. Large doors wood doors open and people enter into Kingston Road United Church.

This Year will mark the 6th season of the Toronto Beach Chorale Choir, an ever growing and popular musical delight and one of the best kept secrets in the area. Founded by the current Artistic Director, Mervin William Fick, MusBac., A.R.C.T.C.R.C.C.O, the residents enjoy the commitment of a man who has been involved with community, professional and church choirs for over thirty years. The presentations of great classical choral music, with a musical mixture of modern contemporary to past famous composers, Beach Chorale merges with an array of local artists. Orchestras, actors and accompanists as well as professional singers from throughout Toronto weave their talents together providing an eclectic local Beach experience. From toddlers to teens, 'tweens' to retirees, music lovers of all ages flock to find their seats and settle in for a treat of a performance.

The members are men and women from the direct Beach community and the GTA, all who have auditioned for the choir. The expression of their music is honed and enhanced by weekly practice and constant education about music theory. Together these dedicated members enthuse to provide each performance with the passion that finds them in front of packed audiences.

There are two upcoming performances scheduled at Kingston Road United this spring. On Sunday February 23rd at 3:00 pm: 'Passion in Music : Shakespeare in Words and Music' and on Good Friday April 18th at 7:30: 'Splendour in Music: Vivaldi and the Italian Baroque'.

I highly recommend circling one of these dates or both in your calendar. Why travel downtown and be frustrated with parking, or fly to Milan and attend La Scalla when you can walk within your own neighbourhood and find some moving and astounding entertainment right here in your own backyard?

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