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PASSION
MUSIC OF A THOUSAND YEARS

featuring members of
THE CHOIR OF ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL
Directed by PAUL HALLEY

Sunday, April 2, 2023, 4:00 PM
The Cathedral Church of All Saints
1330 Cathedral Lane, Halifax, NS B3H 2Z1

‘PASSION: Music of A Thousand Years’ is a concert presentation of a millennium’s worth of stunningly beautiful choral music that will take place in Halifax on Sunday, April 2, 2023 at 4:00 pm. Directed by Paul Halley, members of The Cathedral Choir of All Saints Cathedral in Halifax will showcase choral works in a fluid choreography that will surround the audience with powerful and ethereal music, sung from various locations within the grand, landmark historic building that is the Cathedral Church of All Saints. The music presented in this concert was written at points throughout the last one thousand years in commemoration of the forty days leading up to Easter, a period in the Church year known as Lent. Over the centuries, poets and composers have taken inspiration from the biblical narratives of the Passion, the Psalms, and Old Testament prophets, to create works of astonishing depth and beauty. The dramatic power of these texts has drawn out the most exquisite music from some of the greatest musicians over the last 1,000 years. From 11th century Gregorian chant, through Tallis and Byrd, and Shaker songs and African American Spirituals, to Poulenc and contemporary composers, the works on this program represent an enormous range of expression.

‘PASSION: Music of A Thousand Years’ takes place on Sunday, April 2nd at 4:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Church of All Saints in Halifax. A single show is scheduled, and seating is limited, so audiences are advised to get tickets early. Information and tickets may be found online at:

<https://passion-music-of-a-thousand-years.eventbrite.ca>

[PASSION: Music of A Thousand Years Tickets, Sun, 2 Apr 2023 at 4:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)

About The Singers

The singers for the concert are members of The Choir of All Saints Cathedral. Under Halley's direction, the choir comprises an accomplished group of young adult singers who provide the choral music at weekly services and special events at The Cathedral Church of All Saints in Halifax. The Cathedral Choir has played a central role in the many official provincial and national occasions which take place in Nova Scotia. These have included the Service to Celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of HM The Queen's Coronation, the Commemorative Service in Celebration of the Life of HM Queen Elizabeth II, and in the previous year, the Commemorative Service for HRH The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, organized by Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia and held at The Cathedral of All Saints.

About Paul Halley

Paul Halley is an award-winning composer, choral conductor, and organist, living and working in Nova Scotia. Halley currently serves as Director of Music of The Cathedral Church of All Saints, Halifax and as Creative Director of Pelagosmusic, published music and recordings. Halley's resume has included the role of principal composer and keyboardist for The Paul Winter Consort, and music directorships at The Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York, the choirs Chorus Angelicus and Gaudeamus, and The University of King's College, Halifax. Halley's keyboard, choral, and instrumental recordings have garnered five Grammy Awards.

YouTube:

Video recordings of The Cathedral Choir of All Saints can be found on YouTube at these links

[Cathedral Choir Halifax - YouTube](#)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLHtX7eRP9PRs8FvrC5gSYA/videos>

Facebook:

[The Choir of All Saints Cathedral | Halifax NS | Facebook](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/choirofallsaintscathedral>

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