

Director, Bruce Farquharson
Guest Artists - The Sonora String Quartet

## Passetyme Wythe Goode Companye

Waterfront Art Gallery, Ladysmith Saturday Nov 27, 2010 at 7.30

Brechin United Church, Nanaimo Sunday Nov 28, 2010 at 7.30

admission \$15

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### **PROGRAM**

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Henry VIII (1491 - 1547)

Sing We at Pleasure

Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

Lamentations of Jeremiah

Thomas Tallis (?1505 -1585)

Christe Jesu, Pastor Bone

John Taverner (1495 - 1545)

Guest Artists: the Sonora Quartet

String Quartet in G Major ("Prize" Quartet)

Edward Perry (1855-1924)

The Cries of London\*

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Alleluia, Ave Maria - Virga Jesse

William Byrd (1540 - 1623)

Lay a Garland

Robert Pearsall (1795 - 1856)

"with Sonora String Quartet and Rol Morris, viola

### INTERMISSION

To be Sung of a Summer Night

Frederick Delius (1862 - 1934)

Flower Songs:

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

To Daffodils

Succession of the Four Sweet Months

Marsh Flowers

**Evening Primrose** 

Green Broom

Song for Athene

John Tavener (1944 - )

Fruit Machine

Bryan Kelly (1934 - )

Londonderry Air

Percy Grainger ( 1882 – 1961)

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### Translations

### Lamentations of Jeremiah Jeremiah the prophet began to weep.

### ALEPH.

How lonely sits the city that was full of people! How like a widow has she become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the cities has become a vassal.

### BETH.

She weeps bitterly in the night, tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has none to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies.

Jerusalem, return to the Lord thy God.

### Christe Jesu, Pastor Bone O Jesus Christ, good shepherd, Mediator and patron, To us in the trials of the world

Grant help and remove
Life's baseness, and give us
The joy of a heavenly crown.
Save our Elizabeth, Queen of England,
And watch over the Church
O protector of these the devout;
And allow both
The reward of eternal life.

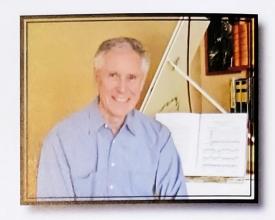
# Alleluia. Ave Maria – Virga Jesse Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus Christ. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The rod of Jesse hath blossomed: a Virgin hath brought forth God and man: God hath restored peace, reconciling in Himself the lowest with the highest. Alleluia.



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From the Director, Bruce Farquharson



This program presents a cross-section of the wonderful treasure trove of English music, from Late Renaissance to recent times; from the elegant sacred works of Taverner, Tallis and Byrd to the sensuous material of Delius and Britten, to the minimalist Tavener and the inventive Kelly. We proudly present Nanaimo's fine string quartet, the Sonora Quartet, as our guest artists and I have taken the opportunity to involve them in accompanying 5 of our singers in Gibbons' rendering of downtown London in the 17th Century. I hope this evening stirs your imagination.

### The Island Consort

sopranos
Mary Butt
Skye Donald
Zinda FitzGerald
Suzannah Mills
Rosemarie Sherban

altos
Solveig Farquharson
Linda Leonard
Marla Tusa

tenors
David Brown
Don Butt

baritones Randall Donald Lionel Tanod

basses Robin FitzGerald Phil Haig Steve Hill

### The Sonora Quartet

violin I - James Markviola - Karl Rainerviolin II - Trish Claircello - Hannah Wilson