



The Valhalla Fine Arts Society

The VFAS is a registered non-profit organization that offers instructional opportunities in film-making, theatre arts and music for children and adults. Intensive programs are led by professional and recognized leaders in a non-competitive and family-oriented environment. Our 2010 programs are:

Valhalla Film School & Festival · MAY 2010 | Valhalla School of Theatre Arts · JULY 12-17, 2010 Silverton, JULY 19-24, 2010 Nakusp | Suzuki Valhalla Institute · AUGUST 1-6, 2010 | Valhalla Summer School of Music - Choral · AUGUST 8-13, 2010 | Valhalla Summer School of Music - Instrumental · AUGUST 8-13, 2010 | Valhalla Community Concert Series · MAY 7, JUNE 18, AUGUST 8, NOVEMBER 19, 2010

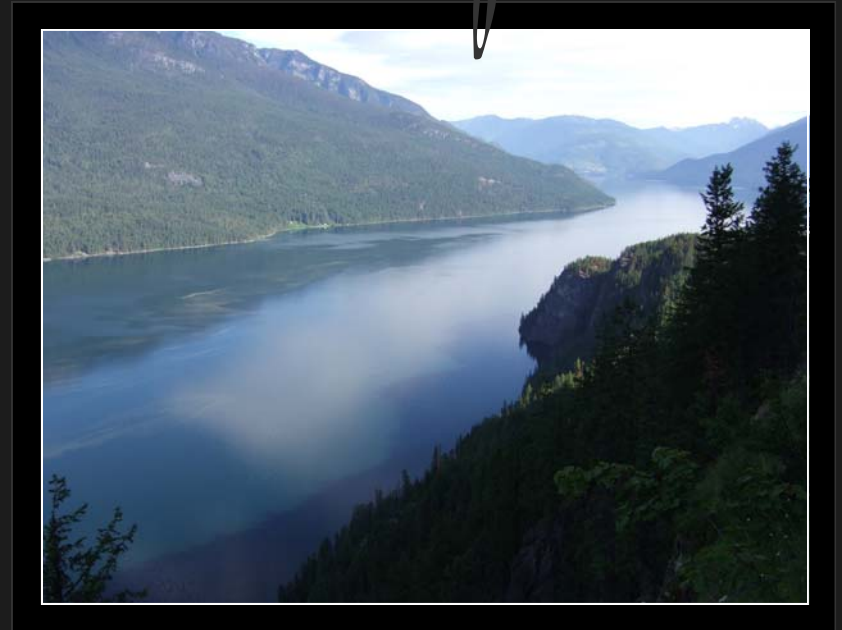
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Instrumental
August 8-13, 2010

New Denver and Silverton, British Columbia



Valhalla Summer School of Music

Instrumental Program | The Valhalla Fine Arts Society is proud to offer a new, exciting, and finely tuned Summer School of Music. Instrumental Studies classes in violin, viola, cello, piano, flute and guitar are offered in the mornings and will focus on technique, repertoire, aural skills and group performance - each tailored to the specific needs of participating students. Students are encouraged to participate in optional afternoon sessions to round out their VSSM experience. Concerts, offered most evenings throughout the week, promise more good company and great music. The week's studies will culminate in a public performance shared with participants of the VSSM Adult Choral Program.

The Setting

The quiet villages of Silverton and New Denver are known for their artistic vibrancy, inspiring beauty and welcoming community warmth. They are located on the shores of picturesque Slokan Lake in the West Kootenay Region of British Columbia. Nestled between the Valhalla and Kokanee Mountain Ranges, the Slokan Valley is approximately 1 hour north of Nelson and Castlegar, 2 hours south of Revelstoke, and mid-way between Vancouver and Calgary (about 8 hours from each). Weather in early August is usually sunny and warm, with an average daytime temperature of about 25° C (77° F).

The Silverton-New Denver area is an outdoor-lover's paradise. Opportunities for hiking, biking, canoeing, kayaking, fishing, swimming and beachcombing abound! Our communities are also steeped in history. Visit the Outdoor Mining Museum in Silverton, and in New Denver don't miss the Nikkei Memorial Internment Centre and the Kohan Gardens. Check out the ghost town of Sandon, visit Idaho Peak for a breathtaking 360 degree view, or soak in one of the three nearby hot springs.

Most classes take place at Lucerne School in New Denver, just blocks from the town-centre and lakefront. The school remains comfortably cool and is adjacent to shaded playgrounds. VSSM concerts are held in Silverton's newly renovated Memorial Hall. This historic hall is acoustically superb and boasts comfortable seating, as well as a beautiful Yamaha C7 grand piano.

The Faculty

Violin • Gwen Hoebig (Winnipeg, MB), Sheldon Nadler (Calgary, AB), Karl Stobbe (Winnipeg, MB), Aleksandra Danicic van der Sloot (Calgary, AB), Bill van der Sloot (Calgary, AB), Michael van der Sloot (Medicine Hat, AB), Mary Jane Vandekerkhove (Calgary, AB)

Viola • Michael van der Sloot (Calgary, AB)

Cello • Nigel Boehm (Banff, AB), Judith Fraser (Vancouver, BC), Yuri Hooker (Winnipeg, MB), John Kadz (Hills, BC), Audrey Nodwell (Vancouver, BC)

Piano • David Moroz (Winnipeg, MB)

Flute • Lauren Eselson (Calgary, AB)

Guitar • Brad Mahon (Calgary, AB), Alan Rinehart (Nelson, BC), Murray Visscher (Calgary, AB)

Collaborative Artist • Susanne Ruberg-Gordon (Canmore, AB)

Please visit our website for faculty biographies.

Optional Sessions

In the afternoons, VSSM registrants will have the opportunity to participate in various optional sessions such as chamber music, private lessons and music appreciation. A Children's Music Program will also be offered for our youngest students.

Accommodation & Meals

Participants are responsible for their own meals during the program. Accommodations in the area are limited, so book early. Local campgrounds, cabins, motels, B&Bs, grocery stores, restaurants and cafes are listed on our website.

Registration

Early registration is encouraged. Registration forms and fees must be received before June 1. A registration form is enclosed, or can be downloaded at our website - www.valhallafinearts.org/vssm/