



THE CHAMBERFEST GAZETTE

News from Cascade Peaks ChamberFest: February 2026

IT'S TIME TO APPLY!



There's only a few weeks left to apply for the Academy at Cascade Peaks ChamberFest. The following programs are accepting registrations until **March 1st, 2026**:

Emerging Artists Program (FREE TUITION for all accepted registrants)
Chamber Vocal Ensemble Program
Residency Program
Community Artists Program

Are you thinking of applying to one of our Academy programs this year? Time is flying by, and the **March 1st** deadline for registrations is quickly approaching! Last year we had a full roster of participants for our **Emerging Artists Program**, and this year we anticipate the same. Space is limited, so now is the time to start your application process.

Learn more about how to apply by clicking on the button below. We look forward to seeing you in June!

[Click Here for More Info](#)

MEET GUEST ARTIST - VIOLINIST MARK FEWER



Joining us this year at Cascade Peaks is violinist **Mark Fewer**.

In a career that now spans over three decades, Mark Fewer has been an interpreter of music past and present in virtually every genre and setting you will find a violin in. From appearances at famed concert halls such as Carnegie, Wigmore and Salle Pleyel, to venues such as Bartok House (Budapest), the Forum (Taipei) and Le Poisson Rouge (NYC), Fewer has appeared as featured guest soloist with ensembles ranging from the Zapp Quartet of Amsterdam, the Fodens-Richardson Brass Band (UK), the Chieftains, Stevie Wonder and his band, and the major symphonies of Toronto, San Francisco, Melbourne and more. He is currently first violinist of the Axelrod String Quartet at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, DC, where the group performs and records exclusively on Stradivari and Amati instruments from the museum's famed collection. He is also a jazz violinist, having shared the stage with Dave Young, Brad Turner, Jodi Proznick, Jim Doxas, Jan Jarczyk, Pekka Kuusisto, Suba Sankaran, Aaron Davis and many more. Mr. Fewer was the founding Artistic Director of the SweetWater Music Festival and is now in his 8th season in the same role at Stratford Summer Music. This last year he was named to CBC's In Concert Hall of Fame, which celebrates Canada's greatest classical musicians of all time. He is an Associate Professor of Violin at the Faculty of Music, University of Toronto and is honoured to be a Senior Fellow at Massey College.

For a more extensive introduction to Mark Fewer, please visit our website [here!](#)

FULL ACCESS PACKAGES AVAILABLE NOW



At **Cascade Peaks ChamberFest 2026**, connect with extraordinary artists, revel in a full schedule of concerts and recitals, and be part of a vibrant community of music lovers. Toss in a dash of spectacular surroundings, well appointed lodgings, and extraordinary recreational opportunities and you have the perfect recipe for a musical experience of a lifetime.

Full Access Festival Pass Holders get the whole package, which includes:

- World-class Festival Concert Series
- Inspiring Emerging Artist Concert Series
- Informative Masterclasses, open rehearsals, and faculty / guest artist lectures
- “Rubbing Shoulders” Wine and Cheese Reception

Festival Pass holder lanyards grant access to all events for a total cost of \$200.00. Pass holders have the option of arriving earlier in the week starting Wednesday, June 17th, to attend concerts and masterclasses for the same price.

Attendees can choose to stay on site at **Wolfe Creek Lodge**, a full service luxury lodge with well appointed guest rooms and private bathrooms. The lodge encourages community

building as guests mingle in inviting lounge areas with high ceilings and soaring natural stone fireplaces, and communal kitchen areas on each floor.

Book your stay now and join us for a weekend you'll never forget!

[Book Your Full Access Pass Here](#)



VOLUNTEER AT CASCADE PEAKS CHAMBERFEST

Volunteers work closely with **RockRidge Canyon (RRC)** and **Cascade Peaks Chamber Fest (CPCF)** staff throughout the festival.

Volunteers play a crucial role in enhancing the overall festival experience for patrons. By joining the team, volunteers contribute to creating a memorable and enjoyable experience for all guests and friends, ensuring the success of the festival for years to come.

If you are interested please get in touch with **Bea Orbegoso**, Cascade Peaks ChamberFest's Managing Director at md@cascadepeakschamberfest.ca

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