



THE CHAMBERFEST GAZETTE
News from Cascade Peaks ChamberFest: March 2026

**ANNOUNCING A NEWLY COMMISSIONED WORK
BY COMPOSER IMANT RAMINSH**

BECKY STRUBE *WHERE WILDNESS LIVES* IMANT RAMINSH

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Cascade Peaks ChamberFest is thrilled to announce that a newly commissioned work by renowned BC composer **Imant Raminsh** will be premiered during the **Cascade Peaks Festival Concert Series** on the evening of Saturday, June 20. The work, entitled ***Where Wildness Lives***, will be performed by the inaugural **Chamber Vocal Ensemble** under the direction of **Dr. Mark Vuorinen** (Elora Singers, Elora Festival, and the Grand Philharmonic Choir), and the **Borealis String Quartet**. The lyrics of the piece were written by Raminsh's wife and frequent artistic collaborator, poet **Becky Strube**.

Where Wildness Lives celebrates the transcendent effect that immersion with the wilderness landscape has on the human psyche, and the sense of serenity and exhilaration as one surrenders to the natural environment. The piece is scored for a mixed choir with soprano divisi, accompanied by a string quartet.

The Cascade Peaks **Chamber Vocal Ensemble** will be comprised of accomplished choral singers who are seeking to develop their skills with the intention of performing with

professional small ensembles and chamber choirs. Minimum age for registration is 18 years and up. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of this new program!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR THE CHAMBER VOCAL ENSEMBLE IS APRIL 1ST.

APPLY TO THE CHAMBER VOCAL ENSEMBLE HERE



World class instruction and performances
in the stunning lakeside setting of RockRidge Canyon Resort, Princeton, British Columbia

community artists program

June 19–22, 2026: deadline for applications April 1, 2026

Immerse yourself in a fun filled four days of musical excellence! Unlock the secrets of the stage and gain invaluable insights from internationally renowned chamber music group the **Borealis String Quartet**. At the Community Artists Program, you'll have the opportunity to:

- rehearse in your own rehearsal space
- have daily coaching from the Faculty Artists
- attend captivating masterclasses and lectures
- enjoy the world-class Festival concerts
- receive a complimentary Festival Pass

So, not only will you be honing your skills and expanding your musical horizons, but you'll also have the unique opportunity to indulge in the sheer joy of outstanding live performances, completely free of charge. Apply as an individual or a pre-formed ensemble. Spaces fill quickly, so please register now! Enjoy musical inspiration at Cascade Peaks retreating into the beautiful natural environment of RockRidge Canyon!

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open now—visit
our website to
apply!**

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MEET GUEST ARTIST: SHARON WEI, VIOLIA



We are thrilled and privileged to announce that the world-renowned violist **Sharon Wei** will be joining us as a guest artist for this year's **Emerging Artists Chamber Music Program!** As one of the most respected violinists on the scene today, Sharon brings an incredible wealth of experience to our Academy. Sharon is a member of the New Orford String Quartet, and from winning a JUNO Award with **Ensemble Made in Canada** to her current role as Associate Professor at Western University, her career is a testament to musical excellence and innovation.

Our Emerging Artists will have the opportunity to learn from Sharon through:

- Daily intensive coaching sessions
- Masterclasses
- Side-by-side performance opportunities

Whether she's performing at Marlboro or Verbier, or premiering new concertos across Canada, Sharon's artistry is dynamic and multi-faceted. We can't wait for her to share her brilliance with our participants and audience alike. Welcome to the CPCF family, Sharon!

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CHAMBERFEST**

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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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