

Winter Harp CDs

Winter Harp Live

This CD captures the magic and energy of a live performance. The CD features some of our most-requested songs such as Ave Maria, Little Drummer Boy and Huron Carol. The CD features music only.

A Night in Winter

Medieval, English and Spanish carols -- from upbeat tunes with percussion solos to gentle lullabies. Harps, flute, violin, medieval instruments, oud, sitar, percussion and singing combine for exotic, delicious Yuletide music at its best.

A Child’s Christmas in Wales

Dylan Thomas’ timeless tale is beautifully and evocatively retold by Alan Woodland making this CD a Christmas classic. The recording also includes Laurie Lee’s touching tale Carols in the Cotswolds. Both stories interspersed with carols on harp. A magical literary journey to Christmas’ past.

Christmas Night

Warm your winter nights with ancient Spanish carols, Celtic carols and well-known favorites. This gorgeous collection of songs will have you dreaming of falling snow and crackling hearth fires.

Winter Harp

Well-known carols and rare medieval carols, this CD has been featured numerous times on CBC Radio. Winter Harp was named one of the top 10 CDs of Christmas by the Georgia Straight. “Everything about this album reflects beauty and balance.” - Christmas Reviews

Winter Harp - Stories & Music

Some of our best-loved stories, poems and songs. Perfect for Christmas Eve. Featuring Alan Woodland and the Winter Harp ensemble.

Celtic Harp for Christmas

The quintessential Christmas album - all your favourite carols to warm your heart on a cold winter night. Harp, flute and cello. A top-seller for its distribution companies Canada wide.

Harp Dance

Harp Dance features some of Winter Harp’s most popular pieces including Camel Caravan and the fiery Baroque Flamenco. Celtic dances mix with Spanish and medieval music to create an upbeat collection. Harp Dance was nominated for a Westcoast Music Award.

Celtic Harp of Dreams

A hauntingly beautiful collection of Celtic and medieval songs. A favourite of CBC Radio’s Jurgen Gothe. Lori Pappajohn on Celtic harp and flutes with cello, medieval instruments and percussion.

To order CDs

To order CDs, send \$22 (includes shipping) in cheque payable to Lori Pappajohn, and mail to 63 Courtney Cres., New Westminster, BC V3L 4M1. CDs can also be ordered gift wrapped in Christmas paper. The name of the recipient will be handwritten on a small card together with your message. Gift wrapped, mail-ordered CDs cost \$27 (includes shipping).

Hear samples of the CDs at www.winterharp.com.

To join our mailing list or for information contact: winterharp@telus.net.

Winter Harp would like to say thank you to Celtic Creations (at Lonsdale Quay), Zulu Records, producer Kevin Mooney and M & P Mercury Sales.



Winter Tour 2011

Sechelt

Sun., Nov. 27, 2:30 p.m.
Raven’s Cry Theatre
Tix at Sechelt Visitor Centre,
Gaia’s Fair Trade, Shanti Gifts

Spruce Grove, Alberta

Tues. & Wed. Nov. 29 & 30
7:30 p.m.
Horizon Stage 780-962-8995
www.horizonstage.com

Winnipeg

Fri., Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m.
Pantages Theatre
1-866-656-6838

New Westminster

Sun., Dec. 4, 2:30 p.m.
Massey Theatre, With the
Vancouver Welsh Men’s Choir
604-878-1190, 604-521-5050,
www.vwmc.ca

Courtenay

Thurs., Dec. 8, 7:30 p.m.
Sid Williams Theatre
www.sidwilliamstheatre.com

Victoria

Fri., Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m.
Alix Goolden Performance Hall
Tix at Ivy’s Books, The Shieling,
Munro’s Books, Heritage Cat
Clinic, Stampers on Quadra

Nanaimo

Sat., Dec. 10, 3:30 & 7:30 p.m.
Port Theatre 250-754-8550
www.porttheatre.com

Duncan

Sunday, Dec. 11, 2 p.m.
Cowichan Theatre 250-748-7529
www.cvrld.bc.ca

North Vancouver

Dec. 14 & 15, 7:30 p.m.
North Shore Credit Union
Theatre
Capilano University
604-990-7810
www2.capilanou.ca

Vancouver

Sat., Dec. 17, 7:30 p.m.
St. Andrew’s-Wesley Church
604-684-2787
www.ticketstonight.ca,
Zulu Records, Celtic Creations

Maple Ridge

Sun., Dec. 18, 3 p.m. & 7 p.m.
The ACT 604-476-2787
www.theactmapleridge.org

**Details at
www.winterharp.com**

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Patrick Ball joins Winter Harp

This year, Winter Harp is delighted to have legendary harper/storyteller Patrick Ball joining the ensemble as narrator. Patrick Ball is considered one of the premier wire-strung Celtic harpers and spoken word artists in the world today. He has recorded nine instrumental and three spoken word albums which have sold well over one-half million copies internationally and won national awards. Several of Patrick’s CDs will be available for purchase at the Winter Harp concerts. (See inside page for details). Patrick is constantly in demand in theatres and at festivals throughout North America, the United Kingdom and Ireland.

Last summer, at the World Harp Congress in Vancouver, Patrick presented his soul-stirring account of the life of famed Irish harper/bard Turlough O’Carolan. His performance was spellbinding.

Patrick will perform at all the concerts except Winnipeg and New Westminster, as he has previously-booked solo concerts in the United States those dates. In Winnipeg, you will hear acclaimed actor Andy Toth as the Winter Harp narrator. Andy also has a gorgeous baritone singing voice -- so those in Winnipeg will get the added treat of hearing him sing.

In New Westminster, Winter Harp is teaming up once again with the acclaimed Vancouver Welsh Men’s Choir. The concert features the choir and Winter Harp each performing on their own and then together. It’s like two concerts in one. Needless to say, you’ll hear lots of fabulous singing -- and there is nothing like an 80-voice male choir being accompanied by harps!

Summer harp schools galore

Learn to play the harp or polish up your harp skills at the famous International Celtic Harp School this August in Wells, BC. Classes for beginners, intermediate and advanced. Wells is near Quesnel. Info at 1-800-442-2787 or www.imarts.com.

You could also take a two-day harp workshop this summer from Lori Pappajohn at the beautiful Silver Hills Spa in the Okanagan. Eat veggies fresh from the gardens, lounge in the hot tub or enjoy a luxurious massage in between harping. Yes, it sounds rough . . . Watch the web site for details: www.winterharp.com -- upcoming workshops.



Winter Harp received a standing ovation for its performance this summer at the 11th World Harp Congress in Vancouver.

What’s new at our concerts this year

Ever seen or heard a bass flute? The sound of this unique instrument is haunting, low, soft and almost cello-like. Our flutist Jeff Pelletier was recently given one from Pearl Flutes for whom he is a representative. So you’ll get a chance to hear this rare member of the flute family. You’ll also get to hear Patrick Ball’s legendary brass-strung harp of Ireland with its crystalline, bell-like voice. The wire-strung harp is rarely heard on today’s stages. The sound is pure magic.

A new face on stage with Winter Harp this year is harpist Esther Cannon. Esther is a harp major at Trinity Western, has won numerous awards and studies with Vancouver Symphony principle harpist Elizabeth Volpe Bligh.

Some of our favourite new songs this year are: the gentle *Christ Child’s Lullaby* from Scotland’s windswept Hebridean Islands; the rarely-heard English version of *O Little Town of Bethlehem*; *In the Bleak Mid Winter* with its wonderfully-crafted lyrics by English poet Christina Rossetti; and a fun version of the Irish tune *Christmas Comes But Once a Year* (also known as *Christmas in Carrick*).

Winter Harp features Celtic and classical harps, flutes, rare medieval instruments, percussion, poetry and song. The performers are Janelle Nadeau, Esther Cannon, Lauri Lyster, Patrick Ball, Jeff Pelletier, Caroline Markos, Joaquin Ayala and (in Winnipeg) Andy Toth.

World Harp Congress a success

The largest harp festival in the world took place in Vancouver last July – and it was a resounding success. Winter Harp director Lori Pappajohn was one of three key organizers.

Close to 1,000 people from 40 different countries attended the World Harp Congress which featured the world’s top international players. Concerts and master classes ran 14 hours a day, every day, for a week in venues such as the Orpheum, Vogue and St. Andrew’s-Wesley Church.

“The calibre of performers was astounding as was the variety of music which ranged from classical to blues, jazz, Celtic and fiery South American,” said Lori Pappajohn.

“Having been on the organizing committee three years, it was satisfying to not only see it all come together, but to sit back and enjoy some of the most amazing harp concerts I have ever attended.”

Winter Harp was honored to be one of the featured performers and received a standing ovation from the 1,000 people in the audience at the Vogue Theatre. In addition, numerous harp festival attendees chose Winter Harp as one of their favorite concerts.

One of the top performers, the amazing Brazilian jazz harpist/singer Cristina Braga, will be in town this summer teaching alongside the acclaimed Judy Loman at the Vancouver Symphony Music School. We plan to set up a two-day workshop with Cristina – so stay tuned.

Winter Harp playing in Alberta

All ye who live in the Edmonton area, Hear ye: Good News! Winter Harp is coming back by popular demand. Winter Harp will perform at Horizon Stage in Spruce Grove on Tuesday and Wednesday Nov. 29 and 30. Each year we receive many emails from those of you living in sunny Alberta who are looking for Winter Harp. So we are happy to announce that this year we are coming back. Horizon Stage is a lovely, cozy theatre. But it has limited seating, so to ensure you get a seat, buy your tickets today. You can get them at 780-962-8995. www.horizonstage.com/currentSeason.aspx



Above: Winter Harp percussionist Lauri Lyster and daughter Scarlet. Both Scarlet’s parents are musicians – so expect her on stage with Winter Harp in a few more years.

Below: Winter Harp flutist Jeff Pelletier with his new bass flute. It is over four feet long and has a haunting tone.



The Mini Winter Harp Ensemble – from left to right are Scott Brooks, Evie Muir, Bess Lu, Hannah Schriber and Jess Muir.

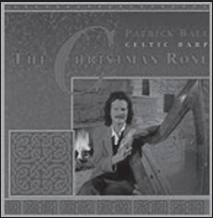


Young musicians perform

The Nanaimo and Duncan Youth Harp Ensembles will perform in the lobby of Nanaimo’s Port Theatre before the Winter Harp 3:30 concert Sat. Dec. 10. The ensemble, which features harps and violins, is under the directorship of Marilyn Rummel.

The Mini-Winter Harp Ensemble will perform in the lobby of Capilano University’s North Shore Credit Union Theatre before the Winter Harp concerts Dec. 14 and 15. The youth ensemble features harp, keyboard, flute, percussion and singing. It is under the direction of Dr. Bess Lu who is also Winter Harp’s harp technician along with Rob Muir.

Winter Harp singer in China

Caroline Markos has had another busy year. This time she was off to China. There she performed the role of Cleopatra in Handel’s opera *Giulio Cesare* in *Egitto*. The performance was with the UBC Opera Ensemble at the Shanghai Conservatory of Music. Caroline is now studying (under scholarship) with acclaimed Canadian soprano Tracy Dahl at the University of Manitoba as part of her Master’s of Music in Voice Performance.



Patrick Ball CDs

The Wood of Morois is a captivating selection of Irish, Breton and Medieval music.

Music on the Wind is a rich and lyrical compilation of Patrick’s most popular tunes.

The Christmas Rose is a warm, uplifting celebration of Christmas. It includes beloved classics *What Child Is This?* and *Auld Lang Syne*.

Visit our website at www.winterharp.com