



# Strings & Keys

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**July 4-10, 2010**

**Bergen, Alberta**

## ARTISTIC CO-DIRECTORS: JAMIE & LAURIE SYER

**SINCE 1995** Strings & Keys has offered a very special summer program of music for enthusiastic young musicians. The strength of Strings & Keys is in the expertise of our teaching faculty, and our careful attention to the needs and proficiency of each student. The program emphasizes excellence in performance, and the joy of making music.

**FOR 2010** Strings & Keys introduces a new format focusing on chamber music. Students may apply to perform one or more complete works from the selected repertoire list. Applications are accepted from individual players and pre-established chamber ensembles. Each string player will be assigned two works to rehearse and perform during the week. String players will focus exclusively on their chamber music. Pianists will rehearse and perform one work, and should also give a list of solo repertoire they plan to prepare for performance in piano master classes.

**STRINGS & KEYS** is led by Laurie and Jamie Syer: two musicians well-known for their performing skill, versatility, wide experience with chamber music and solo repertoire, and exemplary teaching.

**JAMIE SYER** is Keyboard Department Head at the Victoria Conservatory of Music, and a faculty member at the University of Victoria. He is founder and director of the Conservatory's Collegium Program for Young Musicians. Jamie performs across Canada and in Europe, and is a respected adjudicator and workshop clinician. He is known equally for his imaginative recital programming, and his energetic, effective teaching and coaching.

**LAURIE SYER** has taught violin and viola for 15 years in the rural community of Bergen, Alberta where she is also the founder of the Bergen Strings orchestra. As a violin soloist, she has completed several European concert tours to Denmark, France, Hungary, Scotland, Ireland, and England. Laurie brings to her teaching imaginative solutions to technical challenges, and a notable success in helping all students discover their best musical selves.

## SELECTED REPERTOIRE

### String Quartets

Schubert, Quartet in d minor,  
D810 ("Death and the Maiden")

Beethoven, Quartet in c minor,  
Op. 18 No. 4

Mozart, Quartet in C, K.485  
("Dissonant")

Haydn, Quartet in B-flat Major,  
Op. 76 No. 4 ("Sunrise")

Other chamber music may be  
chosen to suit students' proficiency.

### Piano and strings

Shostakovich, Piano Trio

Mendelssohn, Piano Trio in c minor

Mozart, Piano Quartet in E-flat Major

Chan Ka Nin, *Among Friends*

Dvorak, Piano Quintet No. 2 in A Major

### Piano ensemble

Selected works for four hands at one and  
two pianos.

## STRINGS & KEYS FACULTY

**piano** Dr. Terence Dawson, Dr. Janet Hammock, Dr. Jamie Syer

**violin/viola** Laurie Syer, Theresa Plotnick, Aaron Au, Tobi Jurchuk

**cello** Judith Fraser, Joel Stobbe

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## STUDENT FEE: \$425

**Includes chamber music coaching, master classes for pianists,  
performance opportunities, individual instruction as required.**

Billeting at a cost of \$100 is available for visiting students. Scholarships  
are offered for those who require financial assistance.

## REGISTRATION DEADLINE

**MARCH 26, 2010**

All students must complete a live or recorded  
audition prior to April 2, 2010. Registration  
forms and audition guidelines are available on  
the website, or by contacting:

**Jamie & Laurie Syer**

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