



THE CHAMBER VOICE

NEWSLETTER | JANUARY 2019

UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS

SAVE the date

- Jan. 15 **Dinner Meeting**
- Jan. 16 **Lunch & Learn: Facilitation Skills – Learn Techniques to Strengthen Your Workplace Training**
- Jan. 31 **Business After Hours Mixer**
- Feb. 1 **Member Benefits 101**
- Feb. 6 **U40 Networking Social: Chaberton Estate Winery**

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GETTING TO KNOW A LANGLEY CHAMBER MEMBER...

Langley music school celebrates half century

Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2019 – and 25 years of membership in the Langley Chamber of Commerce – Langley Community Music School is a registered charity and non-profit organization dedicated to bringing the highest quality music education and cultural activities to the community.

From small beginnings, LCMS today is a vibrant musical community of over 900 students and more than 50 highly qualified teachers, with a world class dedicated music facility located in Langley City Park. It is a special place where students have the opportunity to develop skills to their highest potential, and benefit from an interchange of ideas, musical ability and experience by working together. The LCMS experience is about so much more than a private lesson.

The school is recognized nationally and internationally for its comprehensive and innovative programming for students of all ages and levels, from babies through to seniors, at beginner to pre-professional levels. Many of our alumni have gone on to successful careers as professional musicians. Importantly, the many thousands of students who have been through our doors since 1969 have experienced the joy of music making, taking with them the benefits of a music education that last a lifetime.

LCMS is also a presenter of concerts



in our Rose Gellert Hall, a 250-seat performance space that has become an important cultural hub for Langley and surrounding communities. Our two concert series, which take place on Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons, present local, national and international artists, as well as feature young emerging artists. The concerts include the classics, jazz and contemporary works, and bring an exceptional caliber of musical artistry to the community.

Governed by a community-minded board, LCMS strives to ensure that a high quality music education is accessible to all. The school is proud to be able to fulfill its charitable purpose as a result of the donations and sponsorships we receive. We have a strong scholarship and bursary program, and low-cost or free outreach programs for children and youth in our community.

Our students and faculty share music with the community through free performances at seniors' residences, local schools, and civic events. Our sincere thanks to the many individuals, businesses and organizations that have supported LCMS over the years.

Throughout 2019, we are proud to be presenting artists in our concert series with a special connection to LCMS, including a number of our alumni. Celebrations kick-off January 26 with a concert with internationally renowned pianist Jon Kimura Parker and his wife, violinist Aloysia Friedmann. Our students are celebrating, too, with a special performance of the last movement of Beethoven's 9th in collaboration with the Vancouver Bach Choir and Surrey Youth Orchestra in June. Watch out for these and other exciting events throughout the year, and celebrate with us!

JANUARY DINNER MEETING

Brexit and What This Means for UK-Canada Trade & Investment Opportunities: What Can the British Consulate-General Do For You?

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Cascades Casino Coast Hotel & Convention Centre (20393 Fraser Hwy, Langley)

Members: \$35.00 + GST | General Admission: \$50.00 + GST

Networking: 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm (dinner) with presentations to follow.



Nicole Davison, Consul - General

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BEFORE 5:00 ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2019.

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Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce Cancellation Policy: Event payment is due upon registration. No cancellations, refunds or credits after 12:00 pm on Monday, January 14, 2019.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Making your Chamber membership count

Happy New Year!
Our thanks once again to all those who attended the annual December Christmas dinner meeting, to JD Farms and Krause Berry Farms and Estate Winery for the special dinner, and congratulations to the 2018 H.D. Stafford Citizen of the Year, Phil Jackman.

No changes to voting

The Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber Network in BC were pleased with the late December announcement that we will not be changing how we elect our MLAs in upcoming elections.

A total of 845,235 voters cast their ballot to keep the current electoral system, the Chamber Network hopes that this will put the question of Proportional Representation to rest.

Benefits of being a member

The Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce is ready for the coming year, we will provide our members with every opportunity to expand, promote and en-

hance their business. We have utilized our membership feedback from the past year's events to enhance some programs, add additional education opportunities and provide member-only options to our services.

We are increasing several of our sponsorship opportunities for you to add extra value to your Greater Langley Chamber membership. To find out further information please contact our office.

Get the most out of your Greater Langley Chamber membership by attending our Member Benefits 101 sessions.

This quick one-hour program can get you started on the path to using your Chamber membership to the best of its benefits.

We have added a few minutes on how to manage your online Chamber profile, and other info about your login.

So if you are unsure how best to use

your Chamber membership, this is the session for you.

Elections upcoming

On the advocacy scene for 2019, we have the upcoming federal election, possibly in October, and we could be in a position for a provincial election in 2019 – depending on the Nanaimo by-election.



Leading up to the elections, the Chamber will be speaking with its members to find out what your concerns are and provide you with opportunities to speak to candidates.

As we head into the New Year, I am excited to see so many opportunities for our members, I encourage you to consider joining a committee, bring a friend to an event, invite your staff to get involved with the Chamber, and make the best of your Chamber membership in 2019.

All the best in 2019!

– Jack Nicholson, President

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