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Choral Society ready for its annual concerts

By Donna Bumulak
Georgetown Choral Society
 'Tis the season and time once again for the Georgetown Choral Society's annual Christmas concerts.

The choir has come a long way in the past few years, adding a number of impressive venues to its credit including their 1990 Holland tour and a sold out performance this past May at Roy Thomson Hall. It seems they have added a little mileage to their concert locations, performing this Christmas locally at Holland Christian Homes in Brampton, Dec. 11, at Holy Cross Church in Georgetown Dec. 18, in Hamilton Dec. 19 and in New Market Dec. 12.

1992 marks the 250th anniversary of Handel's ever popular Messiah so it seems only appropriate that the choir has chosen to present this timeless masterpiece to the appreciative ear of all who hold dear, the rich traditions of Christmas. The performances are highlighted by accompaniment by the Etobicoke Symphony, as well as four profession soloists, Leslie Jost, Susan Cooper, Emilio Fina and Ross Daddington.

Soprano, Leslie Jost was the 1988 recipient of the Award of Merit from the Accademia Musicale Chigiana in Sienna, Italy and won first place in the Graduate Vocal Competition at Westminster Choir College in Princeton. She has sung with Opera East in Nova

Scotia, the Stratford Festival, the opera division of British Columbia's Courtenay Youth Music Festival, the Toronto Summer Opera Lab, Sarnia's International Symphony, well the list of credits goes on and on.

Also, Susan Cooper has performed as guest soloist with the Georgetown choir several times before. Susan has studied voice from an early age and is currently studying with Lois Marshall. Her extensive credits include performances with the Ontario Youth Choir, Stratford Youth Choir, the Elmer Iseler Singers and the University of Western's Faculty of Music Singers where she completed her music degree. Susan has been soloist with choirs, orchestras and ensembles all over Ontario. The list is enormous. She currently teaches voice, piano and music theory and in her spare time, though one might wonder how she has any, she is an active volunteer with youth, seniors and the handicapped.

Tenor Emilio Fina began his vocal studies with Judith Harmsworth in Brampton. He made his performance debut in 1986 as a boy soprano singing the title role in Menotti's "Amahl and the Night visitors" with the Mississauga City Centre Opera. In 1990 he earned highest marks in his grade 8 vocal exam with the Royal Conservatory of Music and was awarded the C.O.C. scholarship the same year at the Peel Music Festival. The very

young and extremely talented tenor is currently studying voice with Glyn Evans.

Bass, Ross Daddington has sung with the Festival Singers of Canada for 18 years. He has appeared as guest soloist with a long list of choirs and orchestras, including the Niagara Symphony, Orchestra London, the International Symphony Orchestra, the Norfolk Singers, the Stratford Chamber Choir, again the list goes on. Ross is currently bass soloist at First St. Andrew's United Church and the southwestern Ontario's regional representative for Casavant Frere Ltd., pipe organ builders in St. Hyacinthe, Quebec.

With such an impressive group of performers, this year's concerts are sure to be excellent. Plan to purchase your tickets early to avoid disappointment. They are available from choir members, Oxbow books or call Allstate Insurance at 873-1643, or 1-800-387-9974.

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Susan Cooper - Alto
 (Toronto, ON)

Emilio Fina - Tenor
 (Brampton ON)

Ross Daddington - Bass
 (Aylmer, ON)

and

THE ETOBICOKE SYMPHONY

Friday, December 18

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 7:00 TBA

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 6:00 Optimist TV Bingo (live)
 7:00 Halton Hills Council

Wednesday

5:30 Mark Tewksbury at GDHS
 6:00 Karin and Blair's Story
 7:00 Halton Seniors' TV
 8:00 Halton Men's Invitational Basketball Tournament

Thursday

5:30 Pentecostle Presence (Christmas Special)
 6:30 Change on Life
 7:00 Community Calendar
 7:30 Sports Report
 8:00 German Programming

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