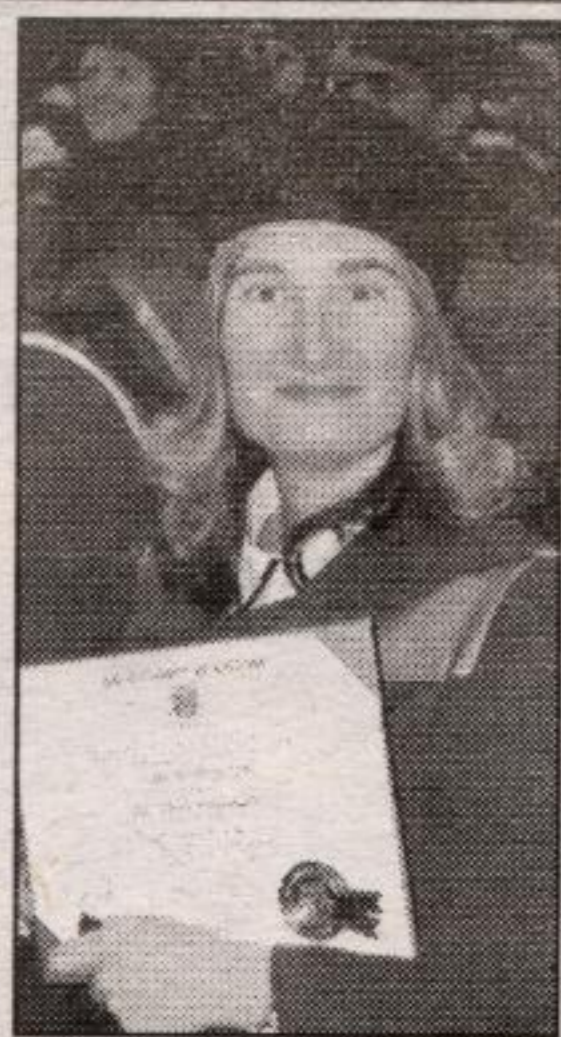


# Entertainment

## True North Brass joins Georgetown Choral Society for a *True North Christmas* concert next month



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*We are very proud of you.*  
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The Georgetown Choral Society is thrilled to be singing this season with guest ensemble, the True North Brass for its upcoming Christmas concert titled, *A True North Christmas*.

The performance combines a mix of musical styles and compositions with the goal to bring to you that "Christmas feeling". The concerts are being held at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Georgetown on Friday, Dec. 10, 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m.

Tickets available at: Bergsma's Paint & Paper in the Georgetown Market Place or McMaster's Meats & Deli on Main St. in Georgetown. Prices are seniors/students \$15 and adults \$20. Tickets are also available at the door.

Did you know that the Georgetown Choral Society has been singing in your community since the 1930s? Over the years they have continued to bring the Christmas spirit to the Halton Hills area with their festive musical selections and performances. Since 1975, under the direction of A. Dale Wood the choir has grown to just

under 100 members to date. The group has pleased audiences with many concerts at home and some as far away as Europe.

With voices and brass combined, this will be a concert to delight all! GCS has also planned an exciting Spring 2005 season commemorating the Liberation of Europe in their concert, *60 Years Later, A Tribute in Song*, to be held this April.

### Special concert sneak preview

Join the Choral Society on Saturday Dec. 4, 11 a.m. at the Georgetown Market Place (food court) for a sampling of their Christmas concert repertoire. Tickets are also available at the showing.

The True North Brass made its debut in 1997 and has since solidified its reputation as one of Canada's most exciting ensembles. Proudly Canadian in focus and expression, True North Brass has been welcomed not only in Canada but also in China and throughout North America. The group's first three CD recordings, on the Opening Day Label, have received enthusiastic press reaction. The ensemble has also been a featured guest at the International Brass Symposium, chosen from the elite of the international brass world. They continue to tour and perform across North America.

Members include Barton Woomert, trumpet; Raymond Tizzard, trumpet; Joan Watson, French horn; Alistair Kay, trombone and Scott Irvine, tubist.

Woomert has held the position of Principle Trumpet with the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra and has played in numerous performances with the Toronto Symphony. He also has been an instructor at the University of Toronto since 1982.

Tizzard is concertmaster and artistic director of The Hannaford Street Silver Band. Under his leadership the ensemble has become a major force on the Canadian scene. He is presently a member of The Canadian Opera



True North Brass will join the Georgetown Choral Society at two Christmas-themed concerts, Dec. 10 and 12. True North Brass members are from left, Raymond Tizzard, trumpet; Alistair Kay, trombone; Scott Irvine, tubist; Barton Woomert, trumpet and Joan Watson, French horn.  
Photo submitted

Company and National Ballet Orchestras and is in great demand as a performer, clinician and consultant.

Previously principal horn with the Victoria Symphony and Vancouver Opera Company Orchestra, Watson performed as Associate Principal French Horn of the Toronto Symphony from 1987 to 2002. She is presently Principal Horn of the award-winning Canadian Opera Orchestra, playing *The Producers* in Toronto, and a prominent soloist across the country.

Kay currently leads the trombone section of Rob McConnell's Grammy Award-winning jazz ensemble The

Boss Brass. He also finds time to chair the brass department at Toronto's Humber College while playing *Lion King* and *The Producers*.

Irvine's arrangements and compositions are regularly featured by a variety of ensembles and have been documented on several CBC discs.

The choir welcomes new voices to join us for our Spring season starting January 2005. For more information visit the website at [www.georgetownchoral.ca](http://www.georgetownchoral.ca) or contact Jennifer Vanderdrift, 905-702-9030.

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Georgetown Choral Society

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