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Day of music will raise awareness and funds for tsunami relief

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WATERLOO – Various groups and individuals at both campuses of Wilfrid Laurier University are planning a series of events, many of them musical, this Tuesday to support tsunami relief efforts.

Laurier students, faculty, staff, alumni, retirees and friends of the university are donating their time and talents to raise awareness and funds. Many will give the money to one particular philanthropic project, the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Sri Lanka Relief and Development Fund.

“Like so many others around the world, the people at Laurier are trying to find ways to help right now, though we’re especially interested in contributing to a long-term solution,” said Len Friesen, co-ordinator of Global Studies. “It became apparent that there were a number of different ideas and initiatives on campus, many of which could be brought together for one day of relief efforts.”

Several of the events will be small, casual concerts taking place at various times and locations on Laurier’s Waterloo campus and at Laurier Brantford. The concerts will include:

11 a.m.	Laurier Brantford	Arai String Trio
11:30 a.m.	Laurier concourse	John McKinley and Friends
Noon	Maureen Forrester RH	Music-at-noon concert featuring mezzo soprano Kimberly Barber
2:30 p.m.	Library foyer	Boyd McDonald on keyboard
5:30 p.m.	Dining hall	WLU Jazz Choir

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A full listing of events will appear on Laurier's home page as details are finalized.

Members of the university community are being encouraged to support relief efforts in whatever way they can. Laurier's managerial group has already pledged \$1,000 to WUSC.