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Laurier welcomes renowned clarinetist for gala concert

WATERLOO – Wilfrid Laurier University’s Faculty of Music and the Kitchener-Waterloo Chamber Music Society will welcome world-renowned clarinetist and honorary doctorate recipient James Campbell for a gala concert **March 8**.

Campbell, a Juno Award winner and member of the Order of Canada, received an Honorary Doctor of Laws from Laurier in 2012. He will be performing at the **Maureen Forrester Recital Hall** on Laurier’s Waterloo campus along with the Penderecki String Quartet, soprano Leslie Fagan — a faculty member at Laurier — and Leopoldo Erice, a professor at the American University of Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates, on piano.

“It is a great pleasure to welcome James Campbell back to our campus,” said Glen Carruthers, dean of Laurier’s Faculty of Music. “Jim is a real friend of the Faculty of Music and of Laurier, and I’m especially pleased that he’s collaborating with our distinguished faculty members. It’s an added bonus that Leo Erice will be the pianist — this is the first concert in K-W as part of the Faculty of Music’s reciprocal exchange agreement with the American University of Sharjah.”

The event will also include the signing of official documents marking the Faculty of Music’s newly formed international student exchange agreement with the American University of Sharjah. Earlier this month, Fagan travelled to the United Arab Emirates to perform with Erice and other American University of Sharjah professors.

The concert will begin at **8 p.m.** on **Saturday, March 8**. Tickets are available at the door (cash only) and can be purchased for \$35 for adults, \$30 for seniors or \$20 for students. Laurier music students can attend the concert free of charge.

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