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Baroque orchestra Tafelmusik to perform concert at Laurier

WATERLOO – Wilfrid Laurier University’s Faculty of Music welcomes Canada’s award-winning baroque orchestra, Tafelmusik, along with violinist Catherine Manson. Tafelmusik will perform a concert on Monday, February 2 at 8 p.m. in the Maureen Forrester Recital Hall on Laurier’s Waterloo campus.

Founded in 1979, Tafelmusik has long been renowned in North America and internationally for its distinct, exhilarating and soulful performances. Under the leadership of Jeanne Lamon, chief artistic advisor and former Laurier instructor, the orchestra excels in music from the baroque and classical eras and beyond, including adventurous cross-cultural reinventions of baroque classics from the late 17th and early 18th centuries.

“There is considerable local interest in baroque music, and many of our students and community members have heard Tafelmusik in Toronto or elsewhere, so I’m very pleased they were able to include us in their touring schedule,” said Glen Carruthers, dean of Laurier’s Faculty of Music. “Their program is outstanding, too. Catherine Manson has included two Bach concertos in addition to the outstanding orchestra repertoire.”

Last year, Laurier’s Faculty of Music began a student apprenticeship program with the Nota Bene Baroque Players, who host a local concert series. The Kitchener-Waterloo Chamber Music Society hosts many baroque concerts each season as does the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Orchestra and the KW Community Baroque Players.

Tafelmusik’s full program includes:

- *Orchestral Suite in D Minor*, Johann Joseph Fux
- *Concerto for strings in C major, RV 114*, Antonio Vivaldi
- *Violin Concerto in A minor, BWV 1041*, Johann Sebastian Bach
- *Concerto for violin and oboe in C minor*, Johann Sebastian Bach
- *Suite in B-flat major*, Georg Philipp Telemann

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students and are available at the door (cash only). To book tickets in advance, please visit Kathy Gauci on the 5th floor of the John Aird Centre in office A504 or call 519-884-1970 ext. 4439 or email concerts@wlu.ca.