### **Violet Archer**

Violet Archer has been a leading representative of the group of 20th century composers we have been so fortunate to have in Canada. Her immense talent, originality and experience, coupled with energy and determination have enabled her to play a central role in putting Canadian music on the concert stages of Canada as well as the rest of the world. Due to Dr. Archer's unflagging energy in composition and advocacy, she has received many awards, including the Order of Canada, The Sir Frederick Haultain Prize, the Province of Alberta's most prestigious award to citizens of Alberta and most recently the Great Canadian Award. Already in receipt of four honorary degrees, the University of Alberta on June 7 will present her with another, the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters.

Violet Archer, professor Emeritus of the University of Alberta, has composed over 300 works for a wide variety of instruments and the voice. This diversity is evident in the extremely varied programmes of her works being presented for her 80th birthday celebrations. Her tireless devotion to the cause of increasing audience support for 20th century music is marked by her belief that "young musicians must become familiar with modern idioms at an early stage". In the last few years she has concentrated her efforts not only on large-scale compositions for orchestra but on music especially written for children to perform.

It is with deep respect and admiration that we honor her now on her 80th birthday.

### **James Campbell**

James Campbell is one of the few classical clarinetists today enjoying an international solo career. His concerts have taken him to the major concert halls of North and South America, East and West Europe, and Asia. He has performed as soloist with over fifty orchestras. In 1989, he was named Canada's "Artist of the Year" and received the Roy Thomson Hall Award.

James Campbell has collaborated with many of the world's great musicians, including five television programmes with the late Glenn Gould, performances with Elly Emeling, Janos Starker and Aaron Copland, as well as the Amadeus, Guarneri, Fine, Allegri, Varsovia, Manhatten, Orford and Colorado String Quartets. His discography contains over 20 albums, many of which have won much international acclaim.

James Campbell is the Artistic Director of the annual Canadian summer music festival, "The Festival of the Sound", and is Professor of Music at the prestigious Music School of Indiana University.



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# **Violet Archer** BIRTHDAY 80<sup>th</sup> CELEBRATION

# Violet Archer 80th Birthday Celebration

April 23 - 24, 1993

Let the bells ring out.....

The celebration will commence with the performance of Violet Archer's "Variations on an Original Theme for Carillon" at the Peace Tower in Ottawa by Gordon Slater, Dominion Carilloneur. April 23, 1993 12:30 p.m.

### Young Performers' Concert

April 23, 1993 8:00 p.m. Convocation Hall, U. of A.

### PROGRAMME

Determination

Marek Krowicki, piano

Three Scenes for Plano Theola Leung

Six Miniatures for Cello Matthew Woolsey Justin Lee David Eggert

Someone

Cradle Song

April Weather

Allison Nichols, Mezzo-soprano, Hannah Cheung, piano

Sulte for 4 violins Merwin Siu, Murray Miller, David Colwell, Hannah Cheung

Vignettes for Plano four hands Daniel Khoe, Daniel Wong

Little Suite for Snare Drum Jamil Sharif

Little Suite for Trumpet and Plano Andrea Emberly, trumpet Michael Rose, piano

### Ten Folksongs for four hands Vol. I Ruth Wong, Erica Tang

Vol. 2 Sarah Ho, Michelle Leung

Prelude and Allegro Jessica Linnebach, violin Jacqueline Lee, piano

Eight Short Songs for Young Singers Faculty of Education Youth Choirs

#### Concert and Reception hosted by:

Edmonton Registered Music Teachers' Assoc.

#### Tickets: \$ 5.00 general admission \$10.00 family (2 adults & 2 children)

### Gala Concert

April 24, 1993 8:00 p.m. Convocation Hall, U. of A.

### **HONORARY PATRONS**

Dr. Paul Davenport President, U. of A. Mayor Jan Reimer City of Edmonton

### PROGRAMME

#### Birthday Fugue a la Weinberger

Stéphane Lemelin, piano Milton Schlosser, piano

#### Piano Trio # 2

Stéphane Lemelin, piano Stephan Bryant, violin Tanya Prochazka, cello

#### If the Stars are Burning

Debra Ollikkala, mezzo-soprano James Campbell, clarinet Stéphane Lemelin, piano

#### A selection of Choral Music

Madrigal Singers, University of Alberta Prof. Leonard Ratzlaff, conductor

#### Sonata for Clarinet and Plano

James Campbell, clarinet Stéphane Lemelin, piano

#### String Quartet # 3

Wild Rose String Quartet Stephan Bryant, violin Dianne New, violin

Sue Jane Bryant, Viola Tanza Prochazka, cello

Concert hosted by: Music Department, U. of A.

#### Champagne Reception

Immediately following the concert in the Arts Building foyer.

- Hosted by: National Music/Pianos Yamaha Pianos and Organs Ltd.
- Tickets: \$15.00 Adults
  - \$ 10.00 Students and seniors with I.D.

## Gala Dinner

April 24, 1993 5:00 p.m. Faculty Club, U. of A.

### Guest speaker: Professor Brian Harris

Whether trekking through the Himalayas, guiding an Opera Tour at Santa Fe or teaching students about Gregorian Chant or 'musica ficta', Brian Harris stimulates, excites and educates those gathered around. It came as no surprise that Professor Harris received the Rutherford Teaching Award presented for excellence in teaching students at the University of Alberta.

Hosted by:

The Canadian Music Centre, Prairie Region

Tickets: \$ 50.00 (includes a ticket to the Gala Concert)

**CBC Radio**, media sponsor, will broadcast a tribute to Violet Archer on Arts National April 28, 1993 including works from both concerts. There will also be a future broadcast on "Alberta in Concert".

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#### Tickets available:

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