

Pathway Post

June 19, 2013



Hi Everyone,

A very quick, short newsletter to share with you some (no-cost) weekend activities, a concert and a walk; a word about our concert, just past, and the announcement of our poetry contest winners.

On this Saturday, 2 pm., you might like to go to a wonderful, free concert by the OMAC and leader, Joanne Tait. The choir is saluting summer with song – everything you can think of, from Gershwin to *Les Misérables*...
And, sort of unbelievably, the concert is free!

Here are the details from our website news page: www.poetspathway.ca/news.htm

Summer is Here! Bienvenue à l'été!

The Ottawa McGill Alumni Choir, led by Joanne Tait, invites you to celebrate Summer in songs at their annual concert.
Admission is free. There is parking behind the church.

**Saturday, June 22, 2 pm.
Korean Community Church
384 Arlington Avenue, Ottawa (at the corner of Bell St.)**

This beautiful choir, The OMAC, sang as part of the Poet's Pathway concert, *It's About Time*, June 15, 2013.

Here is some audience reaction:

"The only word is "frisson!" "The choir was the best part..." "They lifted me off the earth, I was in the air!"

A light snack will be served after the concert.

Free-will donations to Rogers House will be much appreciated.

And on Sunday there is a walk. For Laura Secord's Anniversary, the Rideau Trail Association is leading a walk of ... The Poets' Pathway!

Here is the write up from our website:

At 8 am., on Sunday, June 23, the RIDEAU TRAIL walks the Poets' Pathway!

We are excited!

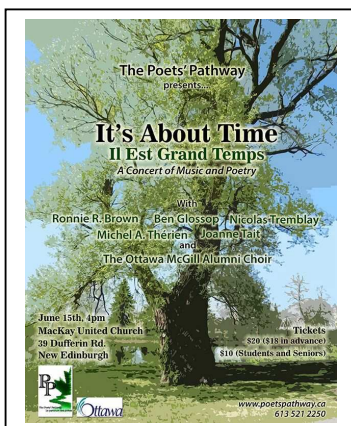
See <http://www.rideautrail.org/ottawa.html>

The walk begins at 8 am., at the stone pier in Britannia Park, and the plaque of Pauline Johnson's "The Song My Paddle Sings." It ends in Beechwood National Cemetery, where you can find Poet's Hill, and its plaque, and the poem by Archibald Lampman, "In Beechwood Cemetery." (Also in Beechwood Cemetery are the plots of both Archibald Lampman and his little son, and William Wilfred Campbell, Duncan Campbell Scott and many other poets.)

There are 5 other plaques along the way. They are beside Nepean Creek, at the entrance to McCarthy Woods, and beside the Rideau in New Edinburgh Park (Stanley Park).

You can arrange to do only part of the walk. Contact the Rideau Trail Association walk leader. Contacts are in the Rideau Trail newsletter or e-letter. Or possibly at: info@rideautrail.org or 613 860 2225.

Join Ben!



It's About Time II est Grand Temps - A Concert of Music and Poetry

If you didn't come to this concert, you missed something very special! Many, many thanks to our incomparable musicians and poets, Nicolas Tremblay, Joanne Tait and the OMAC, Ben Glossop (he can't thank himself, but we can!), Michel Thérien and Ronnie Brown.

And to Master of Ceremonies, Jim McNabb, to house/stage manager, Jodi McNamara, to Marjory Bryce for her work on hearty sandwiches and drinks, and to volunteer crew, all working hard at short notice.

Winners of the Poets' Pathway Poetry Contest, 2013

The following students won prizes in our blind competition.

In our first Poets' Pathway Poetry Contest, Elliot Setzer won first place, Adele Keyes won second place, Emily Renaud won third place, Abigail Carleton won fourth place, and Emma McGinnis and Alex Thomas won honourable mention. We congratulate them all for their fine work.

Elliot, Adele, Emily and Emma came to the concert *It's About Time*, to accept their prizes. We regret that Abigail and Alex could not be there too.

We will be publishing all their poems on our website soon.

Thank you to everyone who entered, or encouraged their students or children to enter.

We send our sincere gratitude to our judge, Ronnie Brown, and to all the Ottawa poets who donated their signed works as part of the prize.

Daniel **B**oland, *TOWARD THE CHRYSALIS*, Stoneflower Press
Mary Lee **B**ragg, *HOW WOMEN WORK*, Grove Avenue Press
Ronnie R. **B**rown, *NIGHT ECHOES*, Black Moss Press
Blaine **M**archand, *APERTURE*, Buschek Books
Susan **M**cMaster, *UNTIL THE LIGHT BENDS*, Black Moss Press
Colin **M**orton, *THE LOCAL CLUSTER*, Pecan Grove Press
Michel A. **T**hérien, *CORPS SAUVAGES*
Barbara **M**yers, *SLIDE*, Signature Editions
David **O**'Meara, *NOBLE GAS*, *PENNY BLACK*, Brick Books