

## Central Manitoba Choral Association

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## Central Manitoba Youth Choir

2009 marks the 25th Anniversary of the CMYC. It is with great pleasure that the Central Manitoba Choral Association welcomes **Elroy Friesen** to direct the **CMYC Alumni Choir 2009** in celebration of a quarter century of great music.

**Elroy Friesen** is Director of Choral Studies at the University of Manitoba. He directs the University Singers, Cantata Singers and Women's Chorus and teaches conducting, graduate conducting and music education. He is currently completing his doctoral studies at the University of Illinois (DMA) researching the choral music of Finnish composer, Einojuhani Rautavaara. He has been a high school choral specialist in Manitoba where his programs included concert, chamber, and vocal rhythmic choirs. His ensembles have received numerous awards for their performances in Manitoba and Canada; they have toured internationally, and have performed with many outstanding arts organizations, including the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, the Royal Canadian College of Organists, Kokopelli, the Winnipeg New Music Festival, Soundstreams Canada and Groundswell. Mr. Friesen earned his bachelor degrees in music (B. Mus.) and education (B. Ed.) and his masters in conducting (M.Mus.) from the University of Manitoba, receiving numerous study grants and scholarships from the Manitoba Arts Council, the Canada Council for the Arts, and the Foundation for Choral Music in Manitoba.

Mr. Friesen is the founder and past artistic director of Prairie Voices, has recently held the positions of Artistic Director of the Mennonite Community Orchestra, Director of Choirs at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Urbana, and director of the U of I University Chorus in Illinois. He is in demand as a clinician, adjudicator, and guest conductor, and has conducted youth choirs and orchestras throughout Canada and the United States and has recently had conducting engagements in Sweden and South America. Elroy and his wife Heidi are raising their family of four children in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

## The Central Manitoba Choral Association

a division of the  
Manitoba Choral Association

presents

*25<sup>th</sup>*  
*Anniversary*  
*CMYC Alumni*  
*Reunion*  
*2009*

**Saturday, October 17, 2009**  
**Emmanuel Mennonite Church**  
**750 15<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Winkler**

## Registration for CMYC Alumni Reunion 2009

Name .....

Gender: Male ..... Female .....

Voice (circle one, please): S A T B

Address .....

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email .....

Phone .....

List Year(s) in CMYC.....

### REGISTRATION FEE

The Registration Fee for the CMYC Alumni Choir Reunion is \$30.00. This fee will cover music, the banquet, and the evening concert.



The Central Manitoba Choral Association depends on the donations of those who love choral music.

If you are able to help us fund our special celebrations this year, we would be pleased to accept your support.

Just make donation cheques out to the Central Manitoba Choral Association and mail them along with your registration for the Alumni Choir.

## Central Manitoba Youth Choir

The Central Manitoba Youth Choir was formed to provide a high quality choral experience for senior high students demonstrating musical ability. The members have the opportunity to develop their skills and talents in an intensive choral setting. It is an honour, in our 25<sup>th</sup> year to celebrate all of those choristers who have been a part of the CMYC experience over the years.

## Registration Deadline

Registrations must be postmarked no later than Friday, September 18, 2009.

Mail Registrations to:

Loretta Thorleifson  
Box 557  
Manitou, MB  
R0G 1G0

## The Event

### Registration 12:30 pm

#### 1:00 to 2:30

The CMYC Alumni Choir will practise the songs which Elroy has chosen for the event.

#### 2:30 to 4:00

There will be time for snacks and visiting. During this time, a powerpoint of CMYC pictures will be presented. Please send digital photos of your own CMYC experience to us at [novaug18@mts.net](mailto:novaug18@mts.net) for inclusion in the powerpoint. Alternatively, please bring displays of photos which you would like to share. Explanations of CMYC years and of the people in the photos would be appreciated.

#### 4:00 to 5:30

The CMYC Alumni Choir will again practise the songs which Elroy has chosen for the event.

#### 5:30 to 7:00

The banquet will be followed by greetings from representatives of the Manitoba Choral Association, the Central Manitoba Choral Association, former CMYC directors and accompanists.

#### 7:30

A Joint concert between CMYC 2009 and the CMYC Alumni Choir.