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LIGHT AND JAZZY WITH THE ORPHEUS CHOIR

...MUSIC THAT SPIRITS THE SPACE

Toronto, ON - The Orpheus Choir of Toronto and Artistic Director Robert Cooper break out of the box with **Light and Jazzy** and the Canadian premieres of two new innovative and vibrant Mass settings by famed Hungarian composer György Orbán and Lithuania's Vytautas Miškinis on Saturday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Deer Park, 1570 Yonge Street.

Orpheus explores the Mass, this most solemn service of the Christian Church, in a unique concert that reveals the secular and celebratory spirit of this most sacred of texts. György Orbán, one of Hungary's most prolific composers, has crafted a beautifully lyrical and appealing setting in his *Mass #2*, featuring a combo of flutes, harp, bass, percussion and keyboard in a unique jazz influenced arrangement. Renowned Lithuanian composer Vytautas Miškinis takes us all the way in his *Light Mass* with a sparkling and exuberant jazz quartet.

To round out the evening Orpheus sings *Missa Canadensis*...an innovative Mass compilation with movements by Canadian composers Willan, Bedard, Raminsh and Corlis along with a newly composed *Gloria* by Orpheus' own Edward Moroney.

Joining Orpheus and the Sidgwick Scholars for **Light and Jazzy** will be guest artists *The Canadian Men's Chorus*, Greg Rainville, Artistic Director and a diverse group of instrumentalists including Janice Lindskoog, harp, Brian Barlow, percussion, and Dave Young, bass.

Experience something different with Orpheus and this Mass exploration: **Light and Jazzy**...music that definitely spirits the glorious space of Christ Church Deer Park!

Tickets are available by calling 416-530-4428 or by emailing orpheuschoir@sympatico.ca

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