



MUSIC in the MORNING
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musica intima SINGS THE CHORAL WORKS OF FELIX MENDELSSOHN

Music in the Morning is pleased to present Vancouver's own **music intima**, **Wednesday November 5, 2008**, as part of its Composers and Coffee Series. This enjoyable series of talks with music is held at The Vancouver Academy of Music, located at 1270 Chestnut Street, Vancouver. Coffee and refreshments are served at 10:00 am and concerts begin at 10:30 am.

Music in the Morning's 2008/2009 season presents a four-part educational series about the life and music of Felix Mendelssohn in one-hour lectures with performance. One of the most prolific and gifted composers the world has known, Mendelssohn is one of the Romantic period's greats. Internationally renowned for performances and recordings that sparkle with vivid insight and vibrant musicality, musica intima has earned a reputation as Canada's most exciting vocal ensemble. Twelve professional singers make up the personnel of musica intima. *The Vancouver Sun* says "the flexibility and agility that are a function of their small size is partly what makes them so exciting."

But what makes musica intima truly unique is that they rehearse and perform without a conductor. In rehearsal, they exchange ideas freely while exploring their own musical creativity. In performance, they engage the audience with a spontaneity and freshness all their own. *The Georgia Straight* glows, "these singers make eye contact with their audience, creating an achingly intimate, holy moment in each performance. Their shows transform the venue into beauty's own temple. Judge for yourself; this description isn't hyperbole."

Known around the world for their warm and engaging stage presence, impeccable musicianship, and unique perspective on ensemble singing, musica intima has appeared internationally in the USA, France, Ireland, and Denmark. A distinctly Canadian ensemble, musica intima regularly commissions and premieres works by Canada's leading composers, including José Evangelista, Peter Hannan, Jocelyn Morlock, Jordan Nobles, and Jeffrey Ryan. Of their six released recordings, their 1998 disc *musica intima* was nominated for a Juno, and *nativite* (2002) was nominated for a Western Canadian Music Award.



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Tickets are available at (604) 873-4612.

Tickets are \$27/adult, \$25/ senior, \$15/student.

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