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Description: Pianist duo Marcel and Elizabeth Bergmann are joined by a guest narrator for a programme inspired by music from the big screen.

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Dazzling pianists bring sounds of Hollywood to Chilliwack Cultural Centre

CHILLIWACK, BC – The dynamic energy of the movies, the intimate atmosphere of a classical concert and the dazzling skill of prize-winning pianists Marcell and Elizabeth Bergmann combine in an inspirational show coming up at Chilliwack Cultural Centre. On February 16, 2018, at 10:30am, *At the Movies with the Bergmann Duo* will bring the soundtracks from some of your favourite movies to life in The Centre's Rotary Hall Studio Theatre, in a captivating morning recital that comes with complimentary refreshments. What better way could there be to start the day?

Renowned for their electrifying performances that couple first-rate musicianship with an unmatched personal rapport and connection, *the Bergmann Duo* have spent more

than two decades wowing audiences across North America and Europe. The pair's extensive repertoire melds baroque, contemporary and original compositions that "straddle the best of the classical and jazz worlds," (The Miami Herald). And with *At the Movies...*, the Bergmann's highlight another of their key inspirations to create a uniquely entertaining musical experience.

"We thought it would be fun to feature some of the many works that have been used in films, as well as some of those that have been specifically written to as soundtracks," says Elizabeth Bergmann. "This particular programme is one that reflects the drama, action and emotion of a variety of films, including *An American in Paris*, *West Side Story*, *The Mission* and the classic western, *The Big Country*."

Drawing on these and other films, the Bergmanns will create a rollercoaster ride of humour, adventure, excitement and suspense. And much like a good movie, the show will also include an interesting twist. "We have a special guest narrator joining us," reveals Elizabeth. "David Mann will be performing to accompany music from *The Big Country* that former CBC host and writer, Bill Richardson, has created especially for us. It is a very witty and humorous piece that will be a lot of fun."

And with the intimate ambience of The Centre's morning concert series, the *At the Movies with the Bergmann Duo* audience can expect a musical experience like no other. For the Bergmann's, the format creates both a special atmosphere and an exciting opportunity to return and catch up with an audience they have come to know well. "We absolutely love the more informal aspect to these concerts and the opportunity to be 'up close and personal' with the audience," Elizabeth concludes. "We always enjoy coming to Chilliwack, and with our regular performances at The Centre, we feel as though we have been able to get to know the audience on a more personal level. It's always a privilege to share that connection."

So sit back and relax and enjoy *At the Movies with The Bergmann Duo* at the Chilliwack Cultural Centre on **February 16, 2018**. The show begins at **10:30am**. Tickets are \$27 and are now on sale at The Centre Box Office. To purchase tickets,

contact the Centre Box Office online at www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca, or by calling 604- 391-SHOW(7469).

At the Movies with the Bergmann Duo is sponsored by: Chilliwack Progress, BC Touring Council, City of Chilliwack, Province of British Columbia, British Columbia Arts Council and the Department of Canadian Heritage.

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Chilliwack Cultural Centre

Owned by the City of Chilliwack, the Cultural Centre houses two unique performance venues, an art gallery, music instruction studios, arts and crafts studios, meeting rooms, offices, and is home to the Chilliwack Academy of Music and the O'Connor Group Art Gallery. Since opening in 2010, over 315,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding \$4,900,000. The Centre is overseen by The Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society on behalf of the City.

Chilliwack Cultural Centre highlights:

- 597 seat performance theatre
- 168 seat recital hall / rehearsal space / dance studio / meeting space
- Chilliwack Art gallery (22-foot high display area)
- 21 music instructional rooms
- Arts, crafts and performance studios
- Storage and Archival Resource Room

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