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Description: Winter Harp... a Christmas masterpiece, is returning this holiday season with their stunningly beautiful show in celebration of winter and Christmas.

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Winter Harp - Where Christmas Begins.

CHILLIWACK, BC — You truly know Christmas is around the corner when one very extraordinary show makes its way to Chilliwack. With gorgeous medieval attire, intricately carved instruments, and the spectacular sounds of Christmas echoing through the centuries, *Winter Harp* is the supreme celebration of seasonal spirit, and it returns to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre on **December 12, 2017**.

The welcome return of *Winter Harp* offers a wondrous concert experience that captures the joyful spirit of the season. *Winter Harp's* outstanding musicians and singers perform a collection of music that ranges from familiar carols to Celtic and medieval music. Magical backdrops of cathedrals and snow set the stage for classical harps, drums, temple bells, flutes, violin/fiddle, and an assortment of beautiful

ancient and rare instruments - including the ethereal-sounding *bass psaltery*, the *organistrum*, and the *Swedish nyckelharpa*.

"Winter Harp concerts both evoke and create beautiful memories. We remember the Christmas trees we decorated, the joy of spending time with loved ones, the anticipation of Christmas morning. At Winter Harp the carols we perform and the stories and poems we read take people into their memories. And they leave the concert with beautiful new memories. We're looking forward to seeing old friends and new at the concerts." Says Winter Harp co-founder and musical director, Lori Pappajohn.

Time and passion are imbued with every aspect of Winter Harp's performance. The costumes, designed by Lori and sewn by a dedicated dressmaker, pair with backdrops that are the culmination of months of design and detailed work. Everything comes to life in the gentle glow of candles onstage, creating a breath-taking pre-Raphaelite diorama and transporting audiences into the memories of Christmas past.

The show is an experience that will illuminate your holiday season with unmatched Christmas atmosphere, so make sure not to miss the wonders of *Winter Harp!*

Winter Harp is coming to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre on **December 12 at 7:30 pm**. Tickets are \$45 for adults, \$42 for seniors and \$40 for youths, and can be purchased at the Centre Box Office, online at www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca, or by calling 604-391-SHOW(7469).

Winter Harp is sponsored by: Amax Praetorian, Aromatica Fine Teas, The Chilliwack Progress, 89.5 The Drive, Laurie Throness MLA, Bob Plowright Realty, the BC Touring Council, the British Columbia Arts Council, the City of Chilliwack, the Province of British Columbia, 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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