

Social Notes
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Montreal is alive with the sound of music. And thanks to Westmount's **Dorothy Fieldman Fraiberg**, the young generation can start their musical journey early.

Her Bach Before Bedtime, the musical series specifically created for children, attracts sold-out crowds of families.

Little folk listen in awe, clapping their hands and jumping up and down with joy. Grown-ups are equally enamoured, regularly attending Dorothy's Allegra concerts, of which she is artistic director.

The Allegra fundraiser, held at Tanna Schulich Hall, was packed. Co-chairs were Dan Deckelbaum, Gabi Opas, Stephanie Riddell and Bram Schwartz.

The theme, "Future Faces of Music," celebrated the 15th anniversary of Bach Before Bedtime.

Three young musicians – Elsa Kuerti, 10, violin; Max Kuerti, 12, violin; and Nate Kunin, 14, piano – joined the Allegra musicians on stage.

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Allegra fundraiser packs Tanna Schulich H





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Dance for two violins and piano by Michael Thomas McLean.

The Allegra musicians were Alexander Lozowski (violin), Simon Aldrich (clarinet), Pierre Tourville (viola), Sheila Hannigan (cello), and Allegra's founder Dorothy Fieldman Fraiberg on the piano.

They performed Trio Transcriptions for clarinet, cello, and piano arranged by Stephen Hough; Johannes Brahms Hungarian Dances No. 5; Johannes Brahm's Intermezzo No. 1 from Three Intermezzi for Pianoforte, Op. 117; Robert Schumann's Intermezzo No.4 from Faschingschwank aus Wien, Op. 26, and his Träumerei No. 7 from Kinderscenen, Op. 15; Franz Schubert's Allegro from String Trio in Bflat major, D.471 for violin, viola and cello; Ralph Vaughan Williams' Quintet in D major for clarinet, violin, viola, cello and piano.

Guests included former Westmount mayor Peter Trent and his wife Kathryn Stephenson, Simon Aldrich, Alexander Lozowski, Sheila Hannigan, Elizabeth Mitchell, Giovanni Trotta, Maria Peca, Stefanie Butt, Caroline Mills, Kim Anderson, Lena Atlas, Dorian Plumel, and Alana Wexler-Schwartz and Howard Schwartz.



Dorothy Fieldman Fraiberg and Peter Trent.



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Dorothy Fieldman Fraiberg and Pierre



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