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AFTERNOONS WITH THE MCO!

LULLABY OF THE SNOW

WITH SAXOPHONIST ALLEN HARRINGTON

> Thursday, March 13, 2025 1:00-2:00pm Crescent Arts Centre

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WITH CELLIST-COMPOSER CRIS DERKSEN and AUTHOR DAVID A. ROBERTSON

> Thursday, May 1, 2025 1:00-2:00pm Canadian Museum for Human Rights

SCHOOL GROUP TICKETS ARE JUST \$10!

Visit themco.ca/education/ afternoons-mco to order your tickets or contact us!

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From left: Students from Rockwood School attending an MCO concert (Photo: Ranchelle Opena); Saxophonist Allen Harrington; Guest Conductor David Bui; Musicians of the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra (Photo: Matt Duboff).

AFTERNOONS WITH THE MCO FOR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY GROUPS!

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LULLABY OF THE SNOW

WITH SAXOPHONIST ALLEN HARRINGTON THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2025 / 1:00-2:00PM CRESCENT ARTS CENTRE

Winter is here, folks! While we enjoy the crisp Manitoba winter, never-ending holiday concerts and events, and some much-needed R&R over the holidays, our team at the MCO is already excitedly preparing for the ever popular **Afternoons with the MCO**! Our March concert will be the event of the season for local schools and community groups, featuring Winnipeg's very own **Allen Harrington** as soloist! Allen frequently performs as principal bassoonist with the MCO and is an Associate Professor and Woodwind Area Head at the University of Manitoba Desautels Faculty of Music, and he also happens to be the coolest rockstar saxophonist around.

With Allen at centrestage, the MCO will be performing a saxophone concerto called **Under** the Wind of the Rock by British composer **Sally Beamish**, and we'll feel some summer heat with **Astor Piazzolla's popular Libertango**, arranged for saxophone and strings.

Also on this fun **student-friendly concert** is delightful music by English composer **Benjamin Britten**. We'll explore the melodies and themes he wrote as a child then later incorporated into his **Simple Symphony**, composed when he was 20 years old.

It'll be a memorable and educational field trip suitable for all ages, but let me take a moment to give a special shoutout to all my band peeps out there... this is going to be an incredible opportunity to see your Manitoba Chamber Orchestra featuring an incredible local woodwind talent. Allen is a staunch supporter and colleague to music educators in this province, and we are all so grateful for his dedication to teaching and mentoring young musicians. This concert will be a rare opportunity to share incredible, inspiring, and live local music with your young musicians.

The only downside to bringing your band students to this show? They may all want to switch to saxophone. Hey, maybe I will, too.

Happy Holidays!

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