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CANADIAN CHAMBER CHOIR  
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**Canadiana brings together singers representing nine provinces!** Join Lady Cove Women's Choir, Newman Sound Men's Choir and the Canadian Chamber Choir as we explore a diverse mosaic of music, inspired by all things uniquely Canadian!

St. John's, NL, September 14, 2015: Lady Cove Women's Choir and Newman Sound Men's Choir are ecstatic to perform alongside one of Canada's most highly regarded choral ensembles, the Canadian Chamber Choir, on **October 2<sup>nd</sup>** at Cochrane Street United Church as they visit Newfoundland & Labrador for the very first time.

"We are so thrilled to finally visit Newfoundland and have the opportunity to explore the province's deep passion for singing," says Artistic Director of the Canadian Chamber Choir Julia Davids, a London, ON native who is the Director of Choral Activities at North Park University in Chicago. "Introducing the CCC to Newfoundland audiences has long been a dream of mine, and launching our brand new CD at the same time makes this an extremely special tour for us."

The new album, entitled *Sacred Reflections of Canada – a Canadian Mass*, features the works of 17 different Canadian composers which have been curated to create the first-ever Canadian composite mass. Both emerging and established composers are featured including the up-and-coming composer and St. John's native Kathleen Allan, whose haunting piece 'In Paradisum' is the final track on the album. *Sacred Reflections* follows up on the group's 2010 release *In Good Company*.

Tickets are \$24 general and \$20 student for students and seniors and are available in person at the Holy Heart Theatre Box Office (55 Bonaventure Avenue), online at [www.holyhearttheatre.com](http://www.holyhearttheatre.com), by email at [theatreboxoffice@nf.aibn.com](mailto:theatreboxoffice@nf.aibn.com), or by phone at 579-4424. Show time is 8pm.

Founded over 15 years ago, the **Canadian Chamber Choir** is an approximately 20-voice group made up of professional-level singers from every province who come together for week-long tour projects in various parts of the country. Unique among Canadian choirs, the CCC has a strict mandate to perform and offer singing workshops across Canada, and to spread the wealth of choral music written by Canadian composers. This tour will mark its first visit to Newfoundland and will allow to the CCC to finally claim it has toured in every province.

**Lady Cove Women's Choir** is named after the community of Lady Cove in Trinity Bay, Newfoundland and Labrador. Based in St. John's, the choir of over 50 voices was established by Kellie Walsh in September 2003. Over the past 12 seasons, Lady Cove has become known for its exceptional musicianship, intimate and expressive performances, and community engagement. Performing regularly on the national and international stage, Lady Cove recently travelled to Riga, Latvia to participate in the World Choir Games where the choir was awarded two gold medals and an overall third place ranking in the women's choir category.

Pride, versatility and musical excellence best describe **Newman Sound Men's Choir**. Named after a beautiful and rugged region in Terra Nova National Park, Newman Sound is a true community choir of more than forty singers, lead by Artistic Director Jennifer Hart. Newman Sound received a 2012 ECMA nomination and won Music NL's 2011 Classical Album of the Year Award for their debut CD, *The Green and Salty Days*, a collection of traditional music from Newfoundland & Labrador. In 2012, Newman Sound was named Champion Male Chamber Choir at the 7<sup>th</sup> World Choir Games in Cincinnati, USA. Most recently, in June 2015, the choir placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Choral Canada's National Competition for Canadian Amateur Choirs in the Equal-Voice Men's Choirs category.

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