

# Con Gusto

KWCO Newsletter

May 2023

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Welcome to the KWCO's 40<sup>th</sup> (or 42<sup>nd</sup>) Anniversary!

## Upcoming Important Date:

### Add to your Calendars

### Kiwanis Spring Concert 2023

Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 (7:30pm Start Time)

Dress Rehearsal Saturday June 30<sup>th</sup> 9:30am.

Knox Presbyterian Church; 50 Erb St W, Waterloo

Volunteers needed for setup at 8:45am.

Volunteers are also needed to take stands & equipment on Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup>.

The soloists have been chosen from the piano finalists from the Kiwanis Music Competition.

**Angela Liang :**

Mozart's Concerto in A #23 1<sup>st</sup> movement.

**Anthony Vu :**

Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 1 Op. 1 1<sup>st</sup> Movement.

**Jonathan Zhao :**

Mozart's Concerto in D Minor #20 1<sup>st</sup> Movement.

Tickets are \$20 for Adults and Seniors,

\$15 for College/University,

and free for high school and younger. Tickets will be sold at the door and in advance online at [OnStage Direct](https://www.onstagedirect.com).

This concert is dedicated to **Margaret Metcalfe** who retired in 2022 but was a steadfast supporter of the KWCO since its inception in 1979. Thank you, Margaret!

### Annual General Meeting and BBQ

Tuesday June 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

**174 Bridge St. N. Waterloo.** Many thanks to Heather and Eric Sundin for hosting. Hamburgers, veggie burgers and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided. Please bring an appetizer, salad, dessert, or other meal item to share as well as serving utensils needed and BYOB. (As well, label your dishes and serving utensils.) Please plan to attend, and while members attend the AGM their guests can enjoy socializing at the outdoor campfire. Members will receive reports by May 23 for review. The new board will be voted in, and a short meeting will be held.

Please RSVP through this survey link: [AGM and BBQ June 6 5:30 PM RSVP](#)

Two very friendly dogs will also be attending.

## KWCO Chamber Music Night

Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Luther Village Chapel

139 Father David Bauer Drive, Waterloo

Come out and hear pieces by KWCO members:

Bruce Skelton, Pawel Pomorski, Ann Green, Michelle Kyle; Elizabeth Fraser, Suzanne Brokaw; Stuart Cybulskie; Ginny Scarfino; Anita Brooks Kirkland, Mark Carbone, Judy Douglas; Sandi Sherk, Jay Fowler, John Chapple.

Works by: Bach, Webern, Shostakovich, Poulenc, Brahms, Pujol, Pretorius, Shaw and others.

No tickets, but donations are appreciated.

## Kitchener Musical Society Band

Sunday May 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00pm.

Victoria Park, Kitchener

Bring a chair, blanket, snacks, and enjoy an outdoor concert.

## Ongoing Miscellaneous Notes:

Many positions are still vacant for all the work that gets done behind the scenes that makes our organization run smoothly. See Heather Sundin's update on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any announcements or ideas you would like to see in the newsletter, please let me know.

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Congratulations to **Dan Warren** for his 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a member of the KWSO.

## Musical Trivia –Miscellaneous Tidbits

Sources: various sites on the Internet.

The Italian composer, **Jean-Baptiste Lully**, hit a staff on the ground to keep time when the orchestra plays. One time, he missed the ground and hit his foot. The stab created a deep wound that led to a condition called gangrene (dead tissue due to an infection/lack of blood flow), which caused his death.

**Mozart** wrote the *Overture To Don Giovanni* on the morning of the concert while having a hangover from drinking too much the night before.

**Haydn's** head was stolen and a replacement skull was put in his tomb. When the real skull was restored in 1954, the substitute wasn't removed. The tomb contains 2 skulls.

**Fanny Mendelssohn** was just as talented as her younger brother -child prodigy **Felix**. Due to the attitudes toward women at that time, **Felix** admitted to publishing some of her works under his own name to avoid retaliation to her.

The "short – short – short – long" motif at the start of **Beethoven's** 5<sup>th</sup> *Symphony* is Morse Code for the letter "V". The Allied forces used it in the propaganda campaign for World War II "V for Victory".

**Domenico Scarlatti's** *Cat Fugue* was inspired by his cat walking along the keyboard.

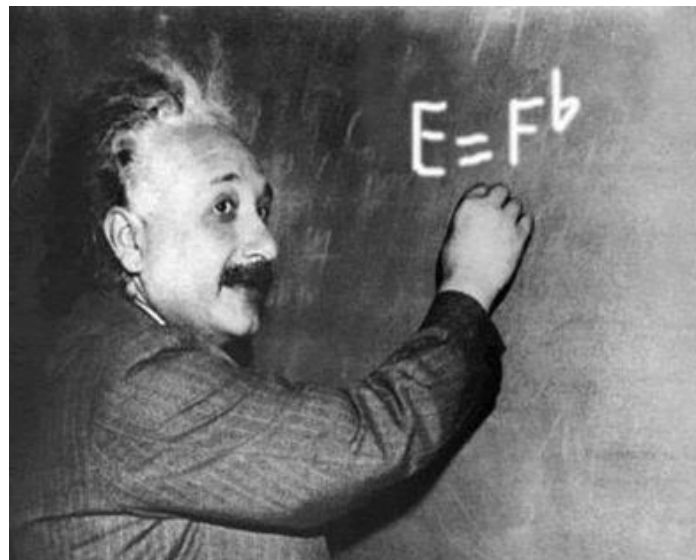
**Tschaikovsky** described his famous 1812 *Overture* as "loud and noisy" and "obviously written without warmth or love".

**John Cage's** *4 Minutes 33 Seconds* is 4 minutes 33 seconds of silence. His work (?) *As Slow as Possible* was started in 2001 and will finish in 2640. The most recent note was played from 2013 to 2020. **Yves Klein's** *Monotone Silence Symphony* is 20 minutes of a long held note followed by 20 minutes of silence. The group **Bloodhound Gang** recorded *The 10 Coolest Things About New Jersey* – it is 10 seconds of silence.

So many fans of **Franz Liszt** asked for a lock of his hair, that he kept a dog whose hair he would shear and send it as his own.

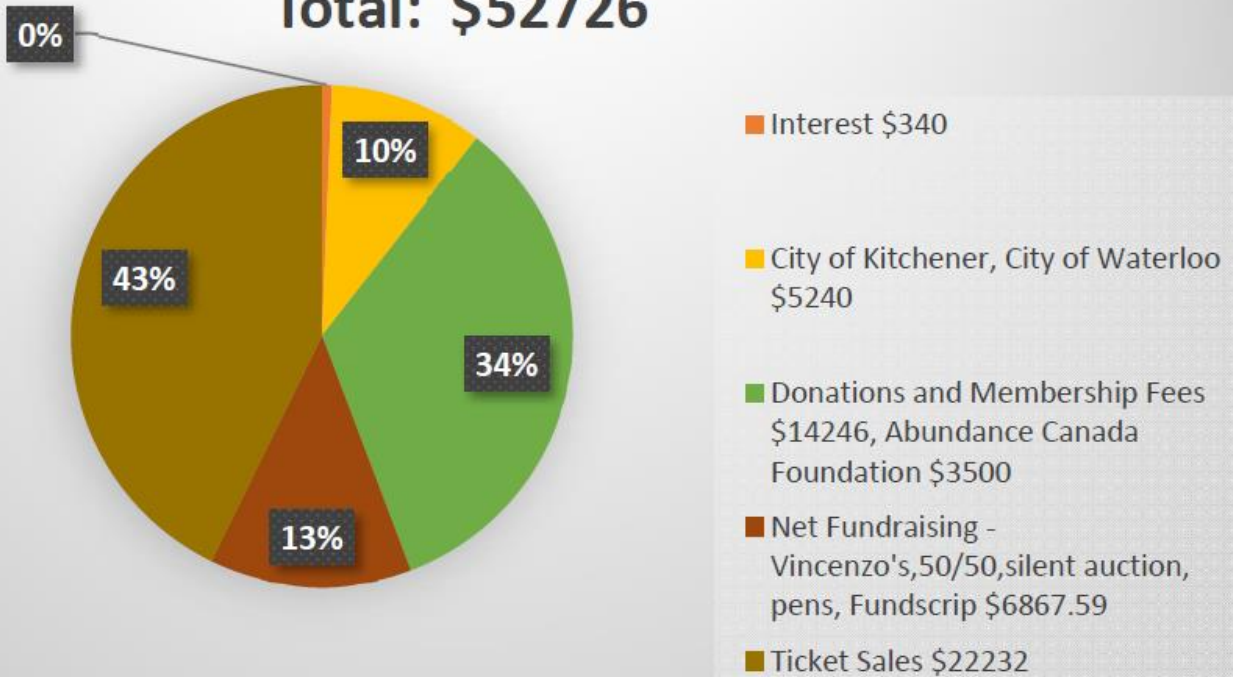
A student wrote to **John Lennon** to say that a teacher asked them to analyze their lyrics. He then wrote *I Am The Walrus* with deliberately meaningless confusing lyrics. **Paul McCartney** wrote *Yesterday* and was convinced that he had plagiarized it.

## And finally, this issue's terminal humour



**Estimated Profit and Loss for 2022-2023 concert season - KW Community Orchestra**  
 Prepared by Heather Rawlings

**Income KWCO 2022-23,  
 Total: \$52726**



**Expenses KWCO 2022-23  
 Total \$52181**

