

A.O.T.S. SPRING ROUNDUP 2019



Theme Speaker

Ross Carson is an ordained minister and has served six pastoral charges in the United Church of Canada during the course of thirty-nine years. Born and raised in Sarnia, he is now retired and with Ann Blackman, his wife, their home is in Newmarket. Ross likes anniversaries: he helped to plan and organize the Luther's Legacies Conference at Five Oaks, marking the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation. Presently, he is leading an adult faith study group at the Trinity United Church in Newmarket which recalls the publication of "A New Creed" fifty years ago.



Musical Entertainment

Vladimir Soloviev is a Toronto-based pianist, chamber musician and vocal coach. A musician of a versatile repertoire, Vlad has championed the music of contemporary Canadian composers, as well as works of Beethoven, Liszt and Rachmaninoff.

Vlad has performed in concert across Canada, as well as the US, Italy, France, Spain and Russia. Some of his recent performances include appearances at the Weill Recital Hall (Carnegie), Bohemian National Hall (New York), the Canadian Music Center (Toronto), Salle Cortot (Paris), and many others. Over the course of his career Vlad has taken part in a number of competitions, winning the *Pattison Piano Competition* and the *London Scholarship Foundation Competition*, and the *Western University Concerto Competition*. He has placed second in the *Golden Classical Music Awards International Competition*, and was a finalist at the *Pierre-de-Sorel International Competition*, the *Canadian Music Competition* and the *Jeunesses Musicales de Canada*. Vlad has studied in the studios of John-Paul Bracey at Western University, Barry Snyder at the Eastman School of Music and Pavlina Dokovska at the Mannes College. He has performed in masterclasses with a number of distinguished artists, including Paul Badura-Skoda, Andre Laplante, Richard Goode, James Parker, Peter Longworth and Jon Nakamatsu.

Recently Vlad has been active as a vocal coach in Toronto and New York, where he has worked with artists like Tom Diamond, Glenn Morton, Cristina Stanescu, Johnathon Kirby, Siman Chung, Samuel Chan and others. In the summer of 2018 Vlad has joined the Classic Lyric Arts summer opera workshop in Novafeltria, Italy, in the position of a staff pianist. There, he acted as a vocal coach, rehearsal and chorus pianist, and worked with artists like Emanuele Morris, Rolando Panerai, Ubaldo Fabbri and others.

Apart from his recital activity, Vlad has been active in audience outreach. In 2015, he organized an educational concert tour aimed at raising public interest in Classical music across the urban and rural communities of Ontario. He has also been involved in arts advocacy as the Artistic Director of the Bradford Arts Center, and is looking forward to the inaugural season of the interdisciplinary concert series he is starting in Newmarket, ON in 2018. Vlad remains active as a collaborative pianist and a vocal coach in Toronto and New York City, while holding the position of a music director at the Trinity United Church in Newmarket.



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April 26-28, 2019

*The Salvation Army Jackson's Point Conference Centre
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Registration Form

AOTS members and non-members are invited to attend the Ontario AOTS Round-up.

We anticipate a pleasant weekend of fellowship, music, discussion and learning.

Program Highlights

Keynote speaker	Rev Ross Carson, theme speaker
Saturday Evening	Vladimir Soloviev, Toronto-based pianist, musician & vocal coach
Music Leaders	Jim Wicks, Dave Ashdown
Saturday Morning	Workshops
Saturday Afternoon	Program: possible topics include Syrian Refugee family status, Brienne Swan – Living Presence Ministry update, UCC reorganization explained
Sunday Worship	Rev. Ross Carson or Jim McKibbin



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Name: (please print): _____

Address: _____

City/Province: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone number: _____

E-mail: _____

Preference for roommate (if applicable): _____

Home Church: _____

Special Requirements/ Requests:

Are you a first time attendee? Yes No

Registration Information & Fees: Please mark your preference. All fees include HST & gratuity

Check-in after 3:00pm, Friday, April 26, 2019

Regular Occupancy: Double \$225 Single \$325

First time attendee: Double \$175 Single \$275

Saturday only includes lunch, dinner and evening program:

\$55.00 Saturday check-in at 9:00am on April 26th

Please mail your registration:

Enclose the registration form and your cheque

Cheque payable to Grace United Church AOTS, post-dated to April 1, 2019

Mail to Paul Cooper, 1310 Maynard Road, Sarnia, ON N7S 4V8

All Registrations will be acknowledged. No refunds for cancellations after April 1, 2018

If you have questions, please contact Paul Cooper:

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