



BLOOR ST. CULTURE CORRIDOR ANNOUNCES NEW PARTNER: TALISKER PLAYERS

TORONTO, Canada (November 10, 2014): **The Bloor St. Culture Corridor**, Toronto's most diverse arts and culture district, is proud to announce a new partner: **Talisker Players**.

Talisker Player joins thirteen other partners who together form the Bloor St Culture Corridor. All fourteen of the Bloor St. Culture Corridor partners are world-class arts organizations presenting professional arts and cultural events for the public year-round in destination venues - all located within a block of Bloor, along almost exactly one mile (1.6 kms), between Bathurst and Bay Streets. The Bloor St. Culture Corridor offers a wide variety of arts genres, from museum experiences to films, art exhibitions to music concerts, and it offers opportunities to experience some of Toronto's cultural diversity, including French, Jewish, Italian, Japanese and Aboriginal arts and culture.

Talisker Players is a unique ensemble of instrumentalists dedicated to collaborating with singers. Celebrated for its passionate and stylish accompanying, the group performs with choirs throughout Ontario, as well as in opera and theatre. Its members are boundary-crossing players, equally at home in baroque and modern, classical and pop. The Players' own concert series, at historic Trinity-St. Paul's Centre, is one of Toronto's most eclectic and adventurous, combining words and music in evenings that are as theatrical as they are musical.

This season, Talisker Player's concert series includes Putting on the Ritz, a tribute to songwriter Irving Berlin, on January 11 and 13; On a Darkling Plain, an evening of gorgeous music from some of the greatest poets and composers of our time, on March 10 and 11; and Heroes, Gods & Mortals, an exploration of the many ways in which the ancient Greek tales have been interpreted through the centuries, on May 12 and 13.

Along with the addition of Talisker Players, the Bloor St. Culture Corridor is pleased to announce that the **VEMU/Estonian Studies Centre** is a Culture Associate of the Bloor St. Culture Corridor. VEMU/Estonian Studies Centre, located at Tartu College, connects Canadian and Estonian communities through rich and vibrant cultural programming including lectures, seminars, workshops, exhibitions, film screenings, theatre, concerts, and more, in Estonian and English.

The Bloor St. Culture Corridor can be found at:

www.bloorstculturecorridor.com

Twitter: [@bloorstculture](https://twitter.com/bloorstculture)

Facebook: www.facebook.com/bloorstculturecorridor

The Bloor St. Culture Corridor arts and culture destinations include:

Alliance Française de Toronto: 24 Spadina Road www.alliance-francaise.ca

Bata Shoe Museum: 327 Bloor Street West www.batashoemuseum.ca

Bloor Hot Docs Cinema: 506 Bloor Street West www.bloorcinema.com

Gardiner Museum: 111 Queen's Park www.gardinermuseum.on.ca

Istituto Italiano di Cultura: 496 Huron Street www.iictoronto.esteri.it/IIC_Toronto

The Japan Foundation, Toronto: 131 Bloor Street West www.jftor.org

Miles Nadal Jewish Community Centre: 750 Spadina Ave. www.mnjcc.org

Native Canadian Centre of Toronto: 16 Spadina Road www.ncct.on.ca

Royal Ontario Museum (ROM): 100 Queen's Park (Entrance on Bloor Street W.) www.rom.on.ca

The Royal Conservatory / Koerner Hall: 273 Bloor Street West www.performance.rcmusic.ca

Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra & Chamber Choir: 427 Bloor Street West www.tafelmusik.org

Talisker Players: 427 Bloor Street West www.taliskerplayers.ca

The Toronto Consort: 427 Bloor Street West www.torontoconsort.org

University of Toronto Faculty of Music: 80 Queen's Park www.music.utoronto.ca

Bloor St. Culture Corridor: Arts and culture organizations along Bloor St. West have come together in partnership to create the Bloor St. Culture Corridor, a uniquely Torontonians arts and culture district. The Bloor St. Culture Corridor's 14 partnering arts and culture destinations are all located in almost exactly one mile (1.6 kms), along a vibrant stretch of Bloor Street, from Bathurst to Bay, connecting three major Toronto neighbourhoods: the Annex, University of Toronto, and Bloor-Yorkville. The Bloor St. Culture Corridor offers a wide variety of arts genres, from museum experiences to films, art exhibitions to music concerts, and it offers opportunities to experience some of Toronto's cultural diversity, including French, Jewish, Italian, Japanese and Aboriginal arts and culture. Torontonians and visitors to the City can easily take public transit to get to the Bloor St. Culture Corridor - there are 5 major subway stations along the Corridor - and walk from a museum to an afternoon art talk or exhibition, shop, have lunch or dinner, and enjoy an inspiring concert or film -- all within just a few blocks along Toronto's most diverse arts and culture corridor.

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