

# *B.C. Registered Music Teachers' Association*

*1947-1997*



## *50th Anniversary*

*Celebrated in Vancouver, B.C. on September 20, 1997*

### *Life Members*

*Helen Dablstrom, Trail*

*Winifred Scott Wood, Victoria*

*Murray Adaskin, Victoria*

*Dr. Robin Wood, Victoria*

### *Presidents*

*Charles E. Findlater 1947-1955*

*Alf Carlson 1957-1968*

*Helen Dablstrom 1970-1972*

*Joyce Horner 1974-1978*

*Meryl Sbetber 1981-1985*

*Jean Ettridge 1989-1993*

*Reginald Cox 1955-1957*

*Morris Dean 1968-1970*

*Rodney Webster 1972-1974*

*Ernst Schneider 1978-1981*

*Carrie Barker 1985-1989*

*Carol Shinkewski 1993-1997*

### *Registrars*

*Mary Adamson 1947-1991*

*Meryl Sbetber 1991-1994*

### *Secretary-Treasurers*

*Gladys Smillie 1970-1982*

*Beryl Wiebe 1982-1997*

*The first roster of 252 members were officially registered on September 30, 1947*

### *50 Year Members*

*Edwin Lowe, North Shore*

*Cecelia McLean, Vancouver*

*Grace Clark Nichols, Vancouver*

*Janice Patrick, Vernon*

*Agnes Rinas, Chilliwack*

*Helen Silvester, Penticton*

*Dora Tweedale, Trail*



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### ACCOMMODATION

A special rate is offered to  
B.C.R.M.T.A. members for the  
evening of September 20 only.

\$110. single

\$120. double (*if you are sharing a room  
you are required to register all names*)

You are responsible for making  
your own reservations - Deadline  
Aug. 1st

Rates or room availability are not  
guaranteed after this date.

Please call:

HOLIDAY INN  
VANCOUVER CENTRE  
879-0511

Julie Foster, Reservations Mgr.  
(be sure to mention that you are  
with the BCRMTA group)

On September 30, 1947, the first members were registered in our association. This small group of teachers dedicated themselves to enlarging a network of quality private teaching in our province.

Today our membership numbers close to 1000 teachers, living and working in all areas of British Columbia. We continue to benefit from the vision and diligence of those early teachers.

To celebrate this milestone in our history, we are planning a Gala Banquet and Presentation, topped off with a performance of the hit play:

## **2 Pianos, 4 Hands**

starring **Tod Dykstra & Richard Greenblatt**  
Vancouver Playhouse Theatre Company

*A musical entertainment about a lifetime's obsession with 88 piano keys, told by two fabulous performers. Long forgotten piano lessons are revisited by eccentric music teachers, complete with childhood piano exams and the love-hate rituals of practising. A Canadian musical sensation on its way to New York City!*

*"A wonderfully entertaining piece of theatre written and played to perfection" - CBC*

**DATE: Saturday Sept.20/97**

**LOCATION: Holiday Inn  
Vancouver Centre  
711 W.Broadway, Vancouver**

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

**4:30 Social hour (No-host bar)**  
**5:30 Banquet & Presentations**  
**7:30 Travel to downtown**  
**8:00 Vancouver Playhouse  
"2 Pianos, 4 Hands"**  
**10:30 Return to Holiday Inn**

**COST: \$57. per person**  
for entire evening

**BANQUET ONLY: \$30.**  
(Play tickets will not be sold separately)

### **PARKING/TRANSPORT:**

Vehicles may be parked in the Holiday Inn lot. Taxi service will be available for transport to and from the theatre at a cost of about \$4.00 each way per person.

***Be first in line.....only 250  
registrations will be accepted!***

*50th Anniversary Celebration  
B.C. Registered Music Teachers*

DEAR MEMBERS:

HERE ARE THE FINAL DETAILS ON THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUR CELEBRATION.  
WE ARE SO GLAD THAT YOU WILL BE JOINING US!

DATE: SATURDAY SEPT.20, 1997

LOCATION: HOLIDAY INN (VANCOUVER CENTRE), ARBUTUS BALLROOM  
711 WEST BROADWAY, VANCOUVER

PARKING: The Holiday Inn has an indoor parking lot (enter from Broadway) as well as a parking lot behind the hotel (enter from 8th Ave). The cost of parking for the evening is approximately \$5.00 (Bring your loonies)

TIME: 4:45 No-Host Bar

\*PLAY TICKET PICKUP

\*BUS TICKETS (see below)

5:15 50th Anniversary Presentations to past officers

5:30 Banquet (Roast Chicken with a variety of Salads, Hot Vegetables & Dessert)

7:15 Transportation to Vancouver Playhouse Theatre

8:00 "Two Pianos, Four Hands" (Vancouver Playhouse)

10:15 Transportation back to Holiday Inn

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As you can appreciate, we have to keep to a strict schedule for this event so that we will arrive in plenty of time for the performance at the Playhouse.

After giving it some thought, your committee quickly realized that it would take considerable time to move 100 people from the banquet, to their cars, across the bridge, to a downtown parking lot and finally into the theatre---ALL AT THE SAME TIME. For this reason, we have reserved buses for transport to and from the theatre. The cost will be \$10. return per person, \$5. for seniors, with the B.C.R.M.T.A. subsidizing some of the cost for you. The advantages of using the bus are:

1. no parking fee (downtown parking usually \$6-\$8)
2. on time pickup and delivery from "front door to front door" (particularly nice if it rains!)
3. a very comfortable ride, relaxing and chatting with your friends
4. no worry about driving after having a "beverage" with your dinner

We are assuming that most of you will want to purchase a ticket for the bus and avoid the car hassle. We will be collecting the bus fare at the beginning of the evening so that there will be no delays after the banquet is finished.

IF YOU ARE NOT INTERESTED IN USING THE BUS SERVICE, PLEASE LET US KNOW BY CONTACTING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

Carol Shinkewski, Delta  
Jean Grieves, Kamloops  
Susan Olsen, Surrey

TEL: 604/594-8806

TEL: 250/828-2562

FAX: 604/583-5837

} Please call by Sept. 10th at the latest

*We would like to be able to order only as many bus seats as required. Empty seats will mean lost dollars for our organization. Thankyou for your cooperation!*

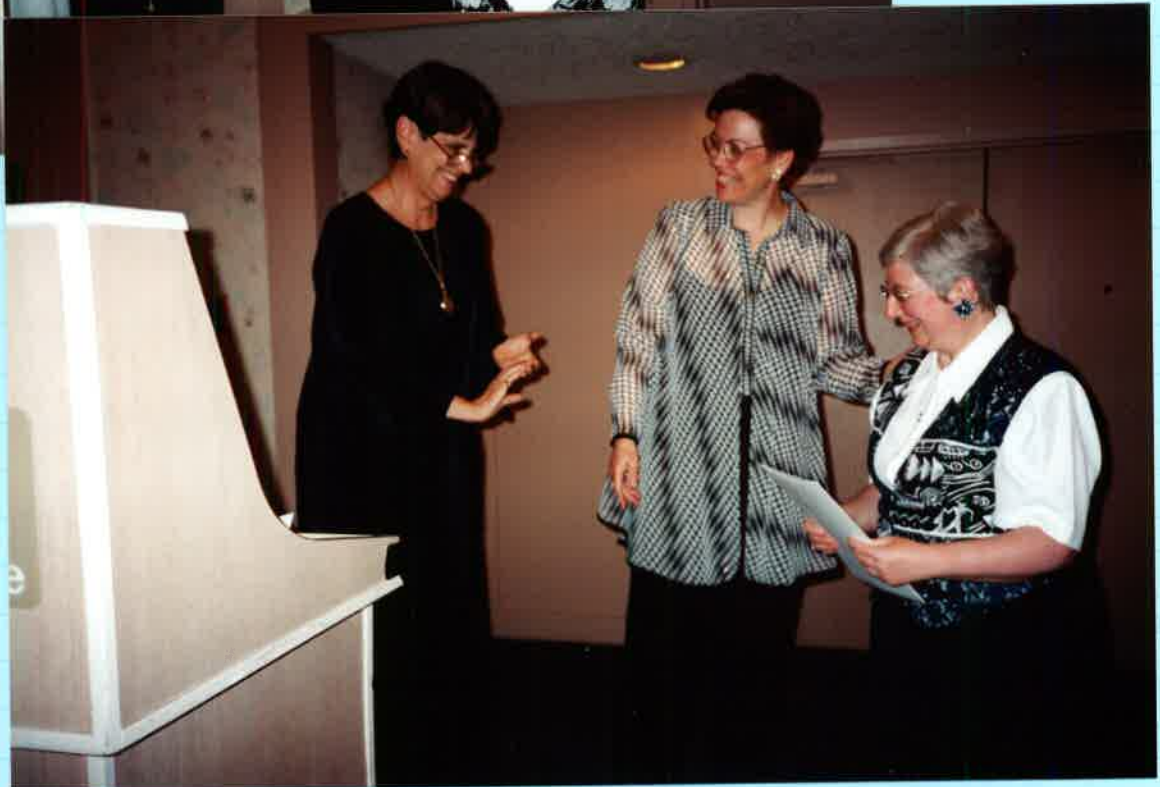
Your Anniversary Committee

# 50th Anniversary Celebration

President  
Jean Grieve  
and Registrar  
with Past  
Presidents



(above)  
Carol Shinkewski  
(left) Carrie Barker  
(below) Jean Ethridge





Jean and Susan  
With  
• Past President  
Ernst Schneider

Jean with  
Beryl Wiebe  
retiring  
Secretary  
Treasurer



Honorary  
Members  
Winnifred Scott Wood  
Helen Dahlstrom  
Robin Wood



Registrar, Susan Olsen  
presenting a "Gold Certificate" to  
Tea Dykstra + Richard Greenblatt



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**THE PlayHOUSE**  
*A live theatre experience*



**2 PIANOS, 4 HANDS**

created and performed by  
Ted Dykstra and Richard Greenblatt

Co-Sponsored By:

Canadian Pacific &

