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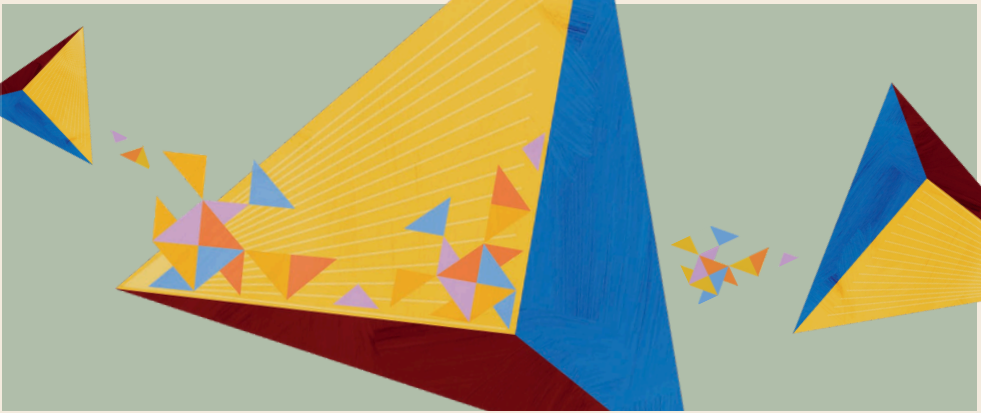
SEASON 3

TATSULOK 1

HOPE, PEACE, JOY

Musica Singers

Lorenz Edward Sarrondo, concert curator
Oscar Pantaleon Jr. and
Lorenz Edward Sarrondo, conductors



Saturday | December 6, 2025

St. Andrew's River Heights United Church

255 Oak St., Winnipeg, MB





TATSULOK 2

HOLLYWOOD, MOTOWN, BROADWAY

Step into a world of timeless hits and unforgettable tunes as we bring you chartbusters from the glitz of Hollywood, the soul of Motown, and the dazzling allure of Broadway.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026

MY Band with the special participation of Musica Singers
Jim Lopez, concert curator and music director

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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Welcome to Musica Singers of Manitoba's Season 3:
TATSULOK

Dear Musica Friends and Supporters,

It is with immense joy and gratitude that I welcome you to our third season, TATSULOK. We are deeply thankful for your ongoing support and encouragement, which have been the cornerstone of our journey.

As we begin this new season, we're excited to present our first concert, TATSULOK 1: Hope, Peace, Joy. As the holiday season draws near, we're reminded of the warmth, hope, and unity that this special time of year brings. Our concert is a celebration of these themes, bringing joy and light through our music.

I also want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our dedicated volunteers and members. Your passion, hard work, and commitment are the heart and soul of Musica Singers of Manitoba. We're also immensely grateful to our generous sponsors, whose support makes it all possible.

Thank you for being a part of our community and for inspiring us every step of the way. We look forward to sharing this beautiful musical journey with you and celebrating the season together.

With warmest regards and holiday cheer,

Jesse Alcasabas

Executive Director
Musica Singers of Manitoba Inc.



MUSICA SINGERS OF MANITOBA INC.

Musica Singers of Manitoba is a registered non-profit organization with the mission to present outstanding performances across Canada, showcasing Filipino Canadians of Manitoba

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TATSULOK 1: HO

Lorenz Sarrondo,

1.

HOPE

EATNEMEN VUELIE (SONG OF THE EARTH)

Silesian folk melody

Frode Fjellheim and Joseph August Seiss, arr. Emily Crocker

STARS

Sara Teasdale and Eriks Ešenvalds

GREAT GOD ALMIGHTY!

Work song, arr. Stacey V. Gibbs

PEACE

SILENT NIGHT

Joseph Mohr, John F. Young, and Franz Gruber, arr. Carl H. Reinecke

Musica Kids: Amiel Arcos, Sky Arcos, Zion Figueroa, Alijah Lopez, and Jeremiah Lopez

Jesse Alcasabas, soprano

IESOUS AHATONNIA' (JESUS IS BORN)

*Traditional melody with text by André Levesque Sioui
arr. Sarah Quartel*

BETELEHEMU (BETHLEHEM)

Nigerian Christmas Song

Via Olatunji and Wendell Whalum, arr. Barrington Brooks

Ariel Fernando, tenor

JOY

CAROL OF THE BELLS

Peter J. Wilhousky and Mykola Leontovich

IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK LIKE CHRISTMAS

Meredith Willson, arr. Mark Hayes

THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

English traditional carol, arr. John Rutter

JOY TO THE WORLD!

PE, PEACE, JOY

concert curator

PROGRAM

11.

PAG-ASA (HOPE)

KAMPANA NG SIMBAHAN (THE CHURCH BELL)

Serapio Ramos and Juan Silos Jr., arr. Ryan Cayabyab

PARAISO (PARADISE)

Ryan Cayabyab

Zabeth De Leon & Reniel Bonifacio, soloists

DIWA NG PASKO (SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS)

Ramon Tapales, arr. Lucio D. San Pedro



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Tatsulok 1 lyrics and translation

KAPAYAPAHAN (PEACE)

PAYAPANG DAIGDIG (PEACEFUL WORLD)

*Brigido Batungbakal, Eduardo De Leon, and Felipe De Leon
arr. Lucio D. San Pedro*

Catherine Tomo, soprano

MUNTING SANGGOL (LITTLE BABY)

Ryan Cayabyab

KAGALAKHAN (JOY)

KUMUKUTIKUTITAP (TWINKLING)

Ryan Cayabyab

PASKONG ANONG SAYA (WHAT A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS)

Levi Celerio and Leopoldo Silos, arr. Anna Abeleda-Piquero

ANG PASKO AY SUMAPIT (CHRISTMAS IS HERE)

Vicente Rubi, Mariano Vestil, and Levi Celerio, arr. Jimuel Dave Dagta

MUSICA SINGERS

Lorenz Sarrondo, conductor

*Lorenzo Camus, Jim Lopez, and Anica Warkentine,
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ARTISTS SEASON 3

MUSICA SINGERS OF MANITOBA is a non-profit organization and leading community-based vocal ensemble with a vision to promote and preserve Philippine art and culture in Canada. Our mission is to present outstanding performances that showcase Filipino Canadians in Manitoba. As volunteers, we share the same passion for music and strive to work hard to achieve this goal.



JAY AGUILAR, baritone

Jay has sung in choirs since high school. At Saint Louis University, he performed with the School of Accountancy and Business Management Chorale, winning competitions. He has sung with Coro D'Illera Music Ministry, a proud member of the Madz et Al nationwide network of choirs inspired by the Philippine Madrigal Singers.



JESSE ALCASABAS, soprano

Music and arts enthusiast, mother of four and Mrs. A to the Mr. A. Internationally trained physician, juggling both career and passion. "When it's your turn to shine, be the brightest!"



IRA ALEJO, alto

Ira is an internationally educated architect from the Philippines and graduated from University of Santo Tomas, now working as a CAD technician in a multinational firm. After years of singing solely in her church choir, Musica rekindled her love for music.



CARLOS ARCOS, tenor

Carlos is an educator and IT professional, currently a Solution Architect at Rogers and a licensed insurance broker. Former clarinetist and tenor of the Don Bosco Seminary choir and other groups, he joined Musica after a Valentine's concert. Proud dad to Sky and Amiel, members of Musica Kids.



AMPY ARCOS, soprano

Ampy was a theatre performer from childhood through high school. She was also band bassist and vocalist, then later earned a cultural scholarship. She sang with a parish choir in Singapore and is now an engineer working toward Manitoba licensure while serving as a project coordinator, wife, and mother.



MILYN ARMENIO, soprano

Milyn has loved singing since childhood, joining a church choir in high school. She joined Musica Singers in 2023. She's part of the Worship Ministry of the Winnipeg Church of Christ and works at Costco. Beside her passion for singing, she likes to dance as well as spend time with her husband Eduard and their son.



DANTE AVISO, bass

Dante is the Vice Chair and School Trustee of the Winnipeg School Division. He is passionate in community development and public education. Music is his go-to therapy to balance his busy schedule.



MA. ASHLEY MEDINA-BONIFACIO, alto

Ashley began her journey with Musica Singers as a supporter and devoted wife of Ren. Since arriving in Winnipeg in December 2022, she has actively participated in numerous events. Now singing alto and serving as secretary, she is dedicated to performances such as Buwan ng Wika and Christmas concerts.

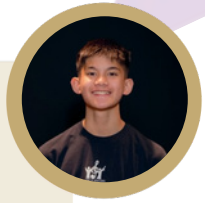


RENIEL BONIFACIO, tenor

Ren has been performing with Musica Singers for 3 years, including their debut at the Filipino Heritage Month of the Winnipeg Jets. A versatile baritone singing second tenor and first bass, he enjoys gaming, jamming with bands, and going on adventures with his alto wife, Ashley, bringing humor and energy everywhere.

LORENZO CAMUS, piano

Lorenzo is in the Grade 9 and jazz choirs at Garden City Collegiate, and the Winnipeg Boys Choir. He played violin with the Winnipeg Youth Orchestras from 2019 to 2025, and euphonium and trombone with the École Leila North concert and jazz bands. He has been taking lessons in violin since he was four and piano since he was 10.



MICHAEL CARRILLO, tenor

Michael sang with the SFCE and RFM chorale in the Philippines before moving to Canada. He and his wife have been serving in the St. John Cantius 12:30 p.m. choir since 2008. Having just joined Musica Singers in September, he is eager to learn and enjoy the camaraderie the group has to offer.



KEITOPHER CHACON, tenor

A professional chef by day and chorister at heart, he shines on the choral stage with 24 years of hospitality experience. When not whipping up culinary delights, he's harmonizing with fellow singers, sharing his joy and passion for music, and connecting with audiences one note at a time.



ELIZABETH DE LEON, alto

Zabeth is Musica's Finance Director and Treasurer of Caring for our Environment Manitoba (CEM). She is also a member of the 12:30pm choir of St. Peter's Parish, a licensed life insurance agent, and proud mother of 3 great children, Jacob, Ellesse, and Sam.



JEROME ENDAYA, tenor

Jerome is a newcomer to Canada. He is passionate about music, especially guitar playing. He loves exploring different styles and is dedicated to mastering the instrument, focusing on improvisation, rhythm, and fretboard fluency.





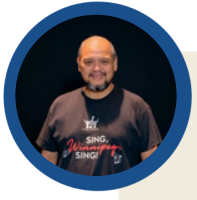
ARIEL FERNANDO, tenor

Ariel is a passionate teacher and production director of Musica Singers. With 20+ years of teaching and deep musical experience, he blends education and artistry. A former ABS-CBN music researcher, he also represented Manitoba in the 2017 Karaoke World Championship. He now teaches in RETSD.



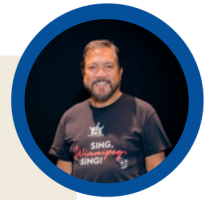
JEAN LOPEZ, alto

Jean is a wife, and a mother of three. A dedicated member of the church, she also loves to sing and she can be seen performing at various events around the city. She considers Jim, her husband, to be her greatest influence in music. Jean has been singing with the Musica Singers since Season 1.



JIM LOPEZ, baritone and band music director

Jim was invited to join Musica through friends. He hopes to help preserve Filipino culture, values, and heritage through music. A machinist by trade, he is the accompanist for One Voice Choral at Immaculate Conception Parish and is also a member of local Winnipeg band, On The Que.



RICARDO L. MANALANG, baritone

Ricardo (Bong) is a Clinical Resource Nurse who has worked in Winnipeg hospital operating rooms including Victoria, Misericordia, Seven Oaks, and Concordia. He was a member of the jazz/standards group TJ and Co. and later sang as a solo artist. He is proud to be part of Musica Singers and hopes all enjoy the concert.



LUIS MIGUEL MANGUERRA, baritone

Luis is a novice singer now on his second season with the Musica Singers of Manitoba. He is a passionate singer who is looking for artistic experience while being a full time university student.

OSCAR PANTALEON JR., tenor and co-conductor

Oscar studied engineering and music at the University of the Philippines and toured extensively with the Philippine Madrigal Singers. “Bloom where you are planted.”



AMABEL PAANO PEDRINA, alto

Amabel is an educator and music lover who sang in church and the Santa Rosa School Teachers’ Choir. She founded and directed a children’s choir before moving to Canada. Amabel continues to pursue her passion and is committed to making a positive impact in her community, through her teaching and singing endeavors.



JOHN ZEDRICK REYES, bass

As a newcomer, Zedrick is thrilled to be part of Musica Singers. His love of music began when he joined the Ramon Magsaysay HS Chorale. In 2010, he won Best Male Choir Member of the Year. John is part of the Praise & Worship team at his local church and wants to use his talent to lead people to God through worship.



LORENZ SARRONDO, tenor and co-conductor

Lorenz Sarrondo is a Winnipeg-based tenor and voice teacher. He is a former conductor of the UP Manila Chorale. Lorenz has toured across Europe and has performed in productions like Noli Me Tangere: The Opera and Miss Saigon Guam. At present, he performs with different Manitoba-based choirs.



ROWENA STA. ANA, alto

Rowena joined Musica Singers in 2022. She holds a Bachelor of Education and studied Master of Educational Management. A wife and mom to her unica hija, she has sung with parochial, corporate, and university choirs. She affirms that singing equates to praying twice and is a potent healer of the heart.





MARGARITA ANDREA TAN, soprano

Marga is a singer with experience in school and church choirs, vocal ensemble teaching, and piano. Blending her science and software background with her lifelong passion for music, she finds a true sense of home with Musica Singers, celebrating culture, community, and harmony as a Filipino-Canadian.



KATE TOMO, soprano

Catherine discovered her love for singing at eight after winning her first contest. With degrees in Broadcast Communication and Nursing, she balanced studies with choral rehearsals and performances. Now with Musica Singers, she renews her passion, striving for growth, excellence, and heartfelt performance.



JACQUELINE UNLAYAO, alto

Production planner by day, part time financial advisor at night; member of St. Ann RCC choir, Musica Singers, and Couples for Christ; mom to 3 young adults; and wife to an artist. Jacque wears a lot of hats, ensuring to make time for all and herself. She credits all of her life's work to God's greater glory.



ANICA WARKENTINE, piano

Anica is a Winnipeg pianist who loves making music with others. She has performed as a soloist with the WSO, UM Symphony Orchestra, and UM Wind Ensemble, and as a chamber musician with Virtuosi and ReSound. A dedicated teacher and adjudicator, she holds degrees in Piano Performance and Collaborative Piano.



STORME ZAPATA, soprano

Storme has been singing with the Musica Singers since its first season, joining with a strong commitment and eagerness to learn. She enjoys exploring music beyond singing, playing a bit of piano and guitar, and spending her free time drawing and nurturing her creative interests.

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Ampy Arcos
Milyn Armenio
Catherine Tomo
Storme Zapata
Marga Tan (trainee)*

Tenors

*Carlos Arcos
Keitopher Chacon
Reniel Bonifacio
Jerome Endaya
Ariel Fernando
Lorenz Sarrondo
Michael Carrillo (trainee)*

Altos

*Ira Alejo
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Jean Lopez
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Amabel Pedrina (trainee)*

Basses

*Jay Aguilar
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Luis Miguel Manguerra
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Javier Alcasabas, Jia Alcasabas, Juneaux Alcasabas, Amiel Arcos, Sky Arcos, Benedict Dimatulac, Kenzo Dimatulac, Zion Figueroa, Alijah Lopez, and Jeremiah Lopez

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March 1, 2026, Sunday, 3:00 pm
Crescent Arts Centre, 525 Wardlaw Ave.

Tatsulok 2: Hollywood, Motown, Broadway

March 21, 2026, Saturday, 7:00 pm

Tatsulok 3: Canseco, Cruz, Cayabyab

June 6, 2026, Saturday, 7:00 pm
Desautels Concert Hall, 150 Dafoe Rd.

