

Concert series presents fundraising event

Caledon Chamber Concerts will open its 2015-2016 season with a fundraising concert Oct. 18.

It will be at 2:30 p.m. The featured artists will be violist Arkady Yanivker and violist Ronald Hurwitz. The program will consist of duets for violin and viola.

Much in demand as a violin soloist and ensemble performer, Yanivker's first major solo appearance was at the age of 13 with the Odessa Symphony Orchestra in the U.S.S.R. After graduation, Yanivker was engaged in concerts both as a chamber musician and solo violinist throughout the concert halls of Russia. He became concertmaster of the Novosibirsk Opera and Ballet Theatre, during which time he also became member of the Faculty of Music. Yanivker came to the Toronto Symphony Orchestra in 1978, where he became well-known on the music scene as a violin soloist and chamber player. During his tenure as a member of the TSO, he served as concertmaster of the Toronto Philharmonia Orchestra, and guest concertmaster for the Kitchener Symphony Orchestra, London Symphony Orchestra, Huntsville Festival Orchestra and the New Canadian Chamber Orchestra. He has appeared as soloist and chamber musician at home and in Europe. Yanivker is founder of chamber music group Serenade Ensemble, which is highly acclaimed and enjoyed by all audiences. He has been invited for future seasons in scheduled recital performances as violin soloist and chamber musician.

Hurwitz began his studies of the violin and viola at age eight. He earned degrees in music from Indiana University and The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., studying with the great viola and violin virtuosos William Primrose and Oscar Shumsky. Following service as Viola Soloist in the U.S. Marine Band White House Orchestra and String Quartet in Washington, D.C., Hurwitz spent a season performing with the Rotterdam Philharmonic Orchestra. He served as Principal Violist of the Indianapolis Symphony, and 31 years as a member of the Toronto Symphony. He has appeared as soloist and in chamber music concerts in the U.S., Canada and Europe, as well as on CBC radio and television and continues to perform chamber music as a member of the Hurwitz-Yanivker Duo.

The concert takes place at St. James' Anglican Church, Caledon East. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students 16 years and younger and may be purchased at the door.

The proceeds will be shared between St. James' and Caledon Chamber Concerts.