

Join us in person or online for Music Matters 2023, Islington United Church, Etobicoke, ON, April 21-23, 2023

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Our annual gathering for education and mutual support is happening in hybrid mode this year, live at Islington United Church in the greater Toronto area and on Zoom for those who can't join us in person! Registration for in-person or online is now live at <https://musicmatters2023.eventbrite.ca> with a cost of \$100 for in-person, including refreshments and some meals, or \$50 for the Zoom option. We've also included options for paying more or less than the suggested amounts, to make it possible for everyone to join us, regardless of their financial situation. Come one, come all!

Here's the schedule for Music Matters, with all times given in Eastern Daylight Time – details will be updated as more information comes in. For those online, the workshops and events held in the sanctuary will be live on Zoom. For in-person attendees, there are options for many of the workshop times this year. Choices, choices!

See you at Islington!

Friday, April 21

Time	Event	Leader	Location
1:00pm-1:45pm	Registration and Welcome Reception	Alydia, Sartu, Hospitality Team	Back Doors & Reception Room
1:45pm-2:15pm	Opening Worship & Announcements	Jason Locke and Rev. Maya Landell	Sanctuary [Online]
2:15pm-3:15pm	Afternoon Session 1 – Workshops		
	Choral Conducting Master Class Prep	Elaine Choi	Choir room
	Song Writing 101	Bruce Harding, Pat Mayberry & Jason Locke	Chapel
	Hand Bells Technique	Debbie Fingas	Sanctuary [Online]
3:15pm-3:45pm	Refreshment break	Hospitality Team	Reception Room

3:45pm- 5:30pm	Afternoon Session 2 – Plenary Session Choral Conducting Master Class	Elaine Choi	Sanctuary [Online]
5:30pm- 5:45pm	Announcements & Grace		Sanctuary [Online]
5:45pm- 7:00pm	Dinner and Free Time/Social Time	Hospitality Team	Stewart East Hall
7:00pm- 8:15pm	Public Hymn Sing	Jason Locke/Lloyd Maclean	Sanctuary [Online]
8:45pm	Evening Social Gathering	TBD	TBD

Saturday, April 22

Time	Event	Leader	Location
8:30am- 9:00am	Continental Breakfast		
9:00am- 9:30am	Gathering Worship	Jason Locke and Rev. Maya Landell	Sanctuary [Online]
9:30am- 10:45am	Morning Session 1 – Plenary Session <i>Wait- What? That hymn is racist? Developing an Anti-Racist Music Ministry</i>	Deb Bradley	Sanctuary [Online]
10:45am- 11:15am	Refreshment Break	Hospitality Team	Reception Room
11:15am- 12:15pm	Morning Session 2 – Workshops		
	The Pianist as Organist	Fred Graham	Sanctuary [Online]
	Drumming for Worship	Bruce Harding	Stewart East Hall
	The Church Musician as Administrator – organizing and Time Management	Round table discussion to share tips – panel to include representatives from various sizes + styles of programs	Choir Room

		(large, urban, rural, suburban...)	
12:15pm-1:15pm	Lunch	Hospitality Team	Stewart East Hall
1:15pm-2:30pm	Afternoon Session 1- Plenary: <i>Contemporary Worship Music</i>	Anneli Loepp Thiessen	Sanctuary [online]
2:30pm-3:15pm	Refreshment Break	Hospitality Team	Reception Room/Stewart East Hall
3:15pm-4:15pm	Afternoon Session 2 – Plenary: <i>Why We'll Sing What We Sing When We Sing a New Song</i> [The Theological and Ethical Framework Guiding <i>Then Let Us Sing</i>]	Led by Members of the <i>Then Let Us Sing</i> team. Visit www.thenletussing.ca for info on the project	Sanctuary [Online]
4:15pm-4:30pm	Stretch Break	N/A	
4:30pm-5:55pm	Choral Anthem Reading Session	TBD	Sanctuary [Online]
5:55pm-6:05pm	Announcements		
6:10pm-??	Dinner and Pub Event	Jason Locke	TBD

Sunday, April 23

Time	Event	Leader	Location
9:00am-9:45am	Gathering at the Church	Everyone	
9:45am-10:15am	Choir Rehearsal	Jason Locke	Chapel
10:30am	Sunday worship with Islington United Church	God	Sanctuary [Online]

11:30am- 12:30pm	Post-Service Refreshments	Hospitality Team	Stewart East Hall
12:30pm- 1:30pm	Travel time to Metropolitan UC, Toronto		
1:30pm- 3:30pm	Mass Choir Rehearsal for Hymn Festival at Metropolitan UC	MU Executive/everyone	Chapel