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# Arbutus Music

## Upcoming Events

January 2023

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### **Elementary School Concerts - Wednesday January 25**

Intermediate and Summit Strings, Choir and Grade 8 Band

The groups listed above will be visiting our feeder schools to perform for students on Wednesday Jan 25. Students in Choir, Intermediate and Summit Strings, and Grade 8 Band will be traveling via school bus to perform at Campus View and Frank Hobbs. Students should come to school dressed in their uniform with their instrument(s) and music, a water bottle and a pocket snack. We will return to the school at approximately 12:00 pm and students will attend their regular afternoon classes. There will be a choir rehearsal before school that day.

Most families signed permission forms for school trips in September. Forms have been sent home with students whose parents have not completed the online form.

### **Music Discoveries - UVic Camp January 27-29**

Optional opportunity

Music discoveries is an event put on by the UVic Student Music Educators' Association for middle school students in band, choir and strings. More information can be found at [www.musicdiscoveries.ca](http://www.musicdiscoveries.ca). Registration closes January 23.

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## Grade 8 Music Trip Parent Meeting - February 13 6-7 pm

### Optional opportunity - June 14-15. Vancouver

Students that are participating in Band, Choir or Strings this year are invited on an optional trip to Vancouver on June 14-15. This is an optional informational meeting about the trip with an opportunity for parents to ask questions. It is not mandatory that parents attend for their child to attend the trip. Information packages will be sent home with all eligible students the following day. This trip will include attending "Beautiful - The Carole King Musical" at the Stanley Theatre, attending a Vancouver Canadians baseball game, skating and other activities at the Richmond Olympic Oval and more.

## Victoria Sings - Wednesday March 8

### Choir performance and walking field-trip

The choir will be performing at UVic Centre at Victoria Sings - a district choir festival where elementary, middle and high school choirs join together for 4 nights of concerts. Our choir will be performing on Wednesday March 8.

Students in choir will be walking to UVic that morning to rehearse on stage and practice mass choir songs with the other choirs. We will leave the school after attendance and walk to UVic Center and hope to return by lunch time. Parent volunteers will be needed to walk to and from this rehearsal. Please email [arbutusmusic@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:arbutusmusic@sd61.bc.ca) if you can help.

Tickets to this event will be available through the UVic Ticket Office and are expected to be available starting February 6. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.tickets.uvic.ca](http://www.tickets.uvic.ca), by phone 250-721-8480 or in person at the UVic Ticket office. There is a \$2 booking fee for in person and telephone sales. Tickets usually sell out to this event. If purchasing tickets is a financial hardship, please contact Ms. Schlappner at [cschlappner@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:cschlappner@sd61.bc.ca) and a solution will be worked out. Privacy will be respected.

Students should arrive at 7:00 and go to the seat designated to them at the morning rehearsal. Students do not need a ticket to attend. The concert is from 7:30 pm-8:45 pm (approx). You will be able to see your child in their seat during the concert and should go to their seat to pick up your child at the end of the concert. If you do not plan on attending the concert, please send a note with your child to give permission for them to be dismissed to the lobby where you can meet them. Let us know if your child will be unable to attend.

## Arbutus Night of Music - Wednesday April 19 - Save the date!

All music groups performing at UVic Farquhar Auditorium. 7:00 pm.