



MEDIEVAL MUSIC DAYS

concerts, workshops, conference, medieval banquet, masterclass

LA QUÊTE OCCITANE

Music of the **troubadours** 12th-13th c.

October 19 to 24, 2022



An immersive weekend in the fascinating musical world of long ago! Concerts, workshops, and a banquet are on offer, led by passionate and renowned musicians, gifted in transmitting the breadth of their expertise with generosity and enthusiasm. An experience for music-lovers and musicians and singers of all levels, for those who wish to participate actively or simply to listen and discover the beauty and lively spirit of medieval music.

THE QUEST FOR OCCITANIA

For 2022 edition of the Medieval Music Days, we focus on one of the first and most influential secular literary-musical movements of the European Middle Ages. The troubadours, including their female counterparts the trobairitz, flourished from the early 12th to the early 13th centuries in what is today Southern France, but which at the time was a separate land with its own vibrant and distinctive culture known as Occitania.

WEDNESDAY October 19

• 5:30 pm BOURGIE HALL
CONFERENCE « La poésie lyrique des troubadours »
 with **Dujka Smoje** (in French)

FRIDAY October 21

• 8:00 pm WESTMOUNT PARK UNITED CHURCH
CONCERT « Mots d'amour et maux croisés »
Ensemble Reverdies Montréal

Rebecca Bain (voice, vielle, symphonia), Femke Bergsma (voice, vielle, flutes), Bruno Cognyl-Fournier (lute gittern), Alain Vadeboncoeur (voice)

The Troubadours refined the rules of romantic poetry for generations thereafter. They called it fin amors, courtly love. Poetry and music also mixed with the politics of the time, as crusading culture took hold of Europe. Reverdies Montréal presents a concert highlighting the fervency of love, longing, and destruction that permeated the lyrics of the troubadours. Their culture left a legacy that lived long after Occitania's downfall.

SATURDAY October 22

• 9:30 am - 5:00 pm WESTMOUNT PARK UNITED CHURCH
MUSICAL WORKSHOP
 Discover the music of the Troubadours in our participatory workshop

led by Rebecca Bain, Femke Bergsma and Alain Vadeboncoeur. Musicians and singers of all levels: bring whatever instruments you have, your voices or just your ears - all are welcome! Reserve your place before Oct. 20!

• 5:30 pm WESTMOUNT PARK UNITED CHURCH

CONCERT « Dejusta'ls breus jorns e'ls lonc sers »

Ensemble Comtessa

Isabelle Douaillly-Backman (vielle), Gabrielle Cloutier (voice, symfonia), Jérémie de Pierre (flutes), Antoine Chabot-Couture (lute)

Comtessa follows the many stages of love from joy to despair through the lovesick poems of the Troubadours, presented and sung by Gabrielle Cloutier. Intertwined with these love poems, Comtessa will play instrumental dances and estampies from 13th century France.

• 6:30 pm WESTMOUNT PARK UNITED CHURCH

MEDIEVAL BANQUET and dance for all!

Places are limited, please reserve early! (before Oct. 18 please) (People with allergies are asked to contact us before registering.)

SUNDAY October 23

• 2:30 pm BOURGIE HALL

CONCERT « A New Springtime of the World »

Ensemble Diabolus in Musica (France)

Nicolas Sansarlat (bowed vielle and conductor), Raphaël Boulay (tenor), Françoise Johannel (harp), Emmanuel Vistorcky (bass-baritone), Philippe Roche (bass)

This French ensemble will showcase troubadour songs and Aquitanian polyphony of the 12th century. This period was dubbed by historian Georges Duby as "the world's new springtime". Embark on a veritable journey through time!

MONDAY October 24

• 10:00 am SAINT-VIATEUR D'OUTREMONT CHURCH

MASTERCLASS

With Ensemble Diabolus in Musica

For professional musicians and music students (voice and instruments). Contact us for more information.

Westmount Park United Church:
 4695 de Maisonneuve West, Westmount, Qc, H3Z 1L9
 (métro Vendôme)

Bourgie Hall:
 1380 Sherbrooke St. West, Montreal, Qc, H3G 1J5

Saint-Viateur d'Outremont Church:
 1175 Laurier ave. West, Outremont, Qc, H2V 3R5

Information: info@reverdiesmontreal.org or 514 634 1244

Reservations : www.pointdevente.com

Registration for the workshop: before Oct. 20

Registration for the banquet: before Oct. 18

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PRICES

Westmount Park United events	reg.	student
Workshop	55\$	45\$
Concert Reverdies	30\$	23\$
Concert Comtessa	25\$	20\$
Concert Reverdies & banquet package	60\$	53\$
Concert Comtessa & banquet package	55\$	50\$
Package deal (concerts Reverdies and Comtessa, workshop and banquet)	130\$	115\$

ACQ and CAMMAC members: \$5 off package. Use promotional code ACQCAMMAC.

Bourgie Hall events	
Conference	free upon purchase of ticket to any of the above activities
Concert Diabolus in Musica	40% discount with promotional code, sent to you upon purchase of ticket to any of the above activities (\$44 or \$23 before discount)

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