

Toronto Mendelssohn Choir Announces Leadership Transition

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The Toronto Mendelssohn Choir (TMChoir) announces that Executive Director Daniela Nardi will be departing her role in March 2025 to pursue other opportunities.

"We are deeply grateful for Daniela's dedication and the significant contributions she has made to TMChoir's mission during her time with us," says David Raju, Board Chair. "Her leadership has guided the Choir through many important milestones, including our 130th anniversary season. We wish her all the best in her future endeavours."

Following Daniela Nardi's departure, TMChoir plans to take time to assess its organizational design. It has been on a transformational path post-pandemic, and rather than immediately seeking a replacement, TMChoir will evaluate its administrative and operational structure to best support its growth trajectory. This assessment will be conducted with the support of the Board and senior staff.

With Artistic Director Jean-Sébastien Vallée, dedicated choristers, and the support of a strong, capable staff, TMChoir looks forward to closing this anniversary season strong and bringing key artistic achievements to life, including a performance of *Missa solemnis* and the launch of the 2025/26 Season.

About the TMChoir

The Toronto Mendelssohn Choir (TMChoir) is proud to be one of Canada's oldest, largest, and best-known choral organizations. The choir presented its first concert on January 15, 1895, as part of Massey Hall's inaugural season, and has been a leader in choral music in Canada ever since, commissioning works by Canadian composers, and presenting world and Canadian premières. The choir also regularly performs and records with the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. In May 2021, Jean-Sébastien Vallée was named as Artistic Director, only the eighth conductor in TMChoir's 130-year history.

Through its performances, educational programs, and community engagement, TMChoir aspires to introduce its audiences to choral masterworks from the past and present—and make both renowned and lesser-known pieces available, accessible, and inspirational to all.

The TMChoir includes a core of professional singers and more than 130 auditioned and experienced volunteer choristers. The smaller professional ensemble, the Toronto Mendelssohn Singers, was created to deliver more intimate repertoire in a variety of non-traditional venues. This 130th anniversary season includes a commercial recording



Remember: 130 Years of Canadian Choral Music, by ATMA Classique, and a recording with Canada's National Arts Centre Orchestra and Orchestre symphonique de Québec celebrating the late composer Jacques Hétu.

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