



Lynn Janes, B.Mus, B.Ed

Oriana Singers

Artistic Director & Conductor

As a conductor, teacher, and soloist, Lynn Janes' work spans a wide variety of ages, abilities, and musical styles.

For over a decade, Ms. Janes held various appointments with the Canadian Children's Opera Chorus, including conductor and voice coach. In addition, Ms. Janes served as the Artistic Director and Conductor of the Toronto Mendelssohn Youth Choir. In September of 2009, Ms. Janes established and conducted the newly formed Pax Christi Youth Choir in a unique and exciting partnership with Stephanie Martin and the Pax Christi Chorale.

As a Music Educator, Ms. Janes established the vocal program at Victoria Park Secondary School. From there, she continued to build a vibrant High School Vocal Program at Earl Haig Secondary School, Claude Watson Arts Program; a program that provided the foundation for many young people to pursue a profession in music. In 2007, Ms. Janes accepted the Headship of Music at Havergal College, a girls' preparatory school with a long-standing reputation for excellence in music education. Ms. Janes retired in June 2017 following a 31-year teaching career.

Retirement from teaching has given Ms. Janes the opportunity to pursue other musical interests and in 2018, Ms. Janes was appointed Artistic Director and Conductor of the Oriana Singers in Northumberland County. Along with this role she has been able to continue teaching private voice lessons and has been working as a mentor, coach and resource for a number of music programs in the GTA.

Ms. Janes musicianship extends to her performance portfolio as a chorister and soprano soloist. For 24 years Ms. Janes sang in the Exultate Chamber Singers, one of Toronto's premiere professional ensembles. She recently re-joined Exultate and is enjoying singing with this fine ensemble again. Her performances as a soloist are featured on all four recordings of the Exultate Chamber Singers. Ms. Janes has also performed as a chorister and soloist with the Elora Festival Singers and the Toronto Mendelssohn Choir.

Ms. Janes has been recognized for her accomplishments as a conductor and music educator and was awarded the prestigious Leslie Bell Conducting Prize and the Don Wright Conducting Scholarship from Western University.