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JUDY MADDREN

HOME: "The Booth" in Leslieville across from Jimmie Simpson Park

AGE: 61

PROFESSION: Former CBC Radio Broadcaster, now an audiobiographer with Soundportraits

FAVOURITE QUOTATION: "What's your earliest memory?"

INSPIRATION: Vibrant older women who appreciate the details of life and LOVE to hear about them.

HOBBY: My work is my hobby and my hobby is my work. I find it difficult to shut down the office for the day because I enjoy this story-keeping so much. Other fun? Reading, needlework, long walks, DVD series.

LATEST ACCOMPLISHMENT: Making 400 iced cupcakes for my son's wedding.

WHY I DO WHAT I DO: Everybody has a good story, and so many great tales are lost because we don't think to ask the questions. That applies to asking children and people who have lived full lives. I also believe that our voice gives a clear connection to the real person.

SECRET AMBITION: To be an actor

PIANO: Nordheimer Upright #20588...

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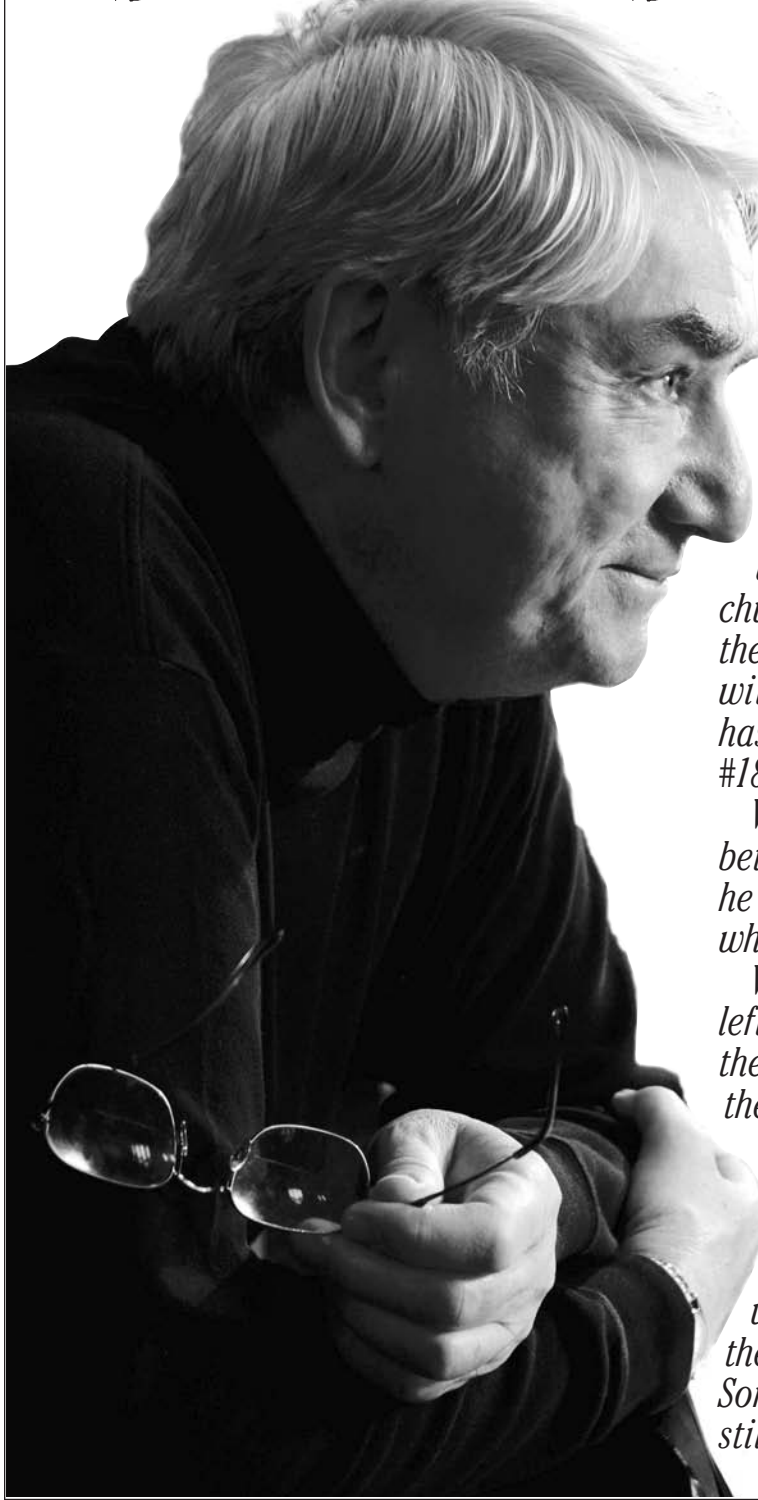


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THE 'WRIGHT' NOTE

In 2008, after 44 years as Organist at Deer Park United, Dr. William Wright retired from performing and teaching.

The next chapter for Dr. Wright includes visiting and experiencing some of the European churches and cathedrals that house some of the world's most famous and interesting organs with a hand-picked group of students. Dr. Wright has a charming 1917 Nordheimer Grand piano #18149 that we reconditioned in 1992.

When asked about the challenge of switching between organ and piano, Dr. Wright says that he taught organ to two first-rate pianists, who could not get themselves 'around' the organ.

With the piano, the bass is played with the left hand - with the organ it is played with the feet. The organ is best understood horizontally, the piano vertically.

When asked if he has any advice for young musicians, he says 'Practice, practice, practice.' And 'if you love it, go for it.'

For more information on Dr. Wright's upcoming tour of European Cathedrals and their organs June 18-29, 2012, please contact us. Some spots for this amazing experience are still available.

BEST BETS

RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMING EVENTS AND PHENOMENA OF PARTICULAR INTEREST



WE ARE T.O.P.S!

Toronto's Oldest Piano Shop... We opened our doors on Sept 13, 1913, and 98 years later we are still humming along. We can say with confidence that we are the OLDEST piano shop in Toronto, but never ones to rest on our laurels, we are working together to continue as the BEST piano shop in the city. This fall it is also an exciting piano shop, as we put the finishing touches on some new restorations, and prepare our incomparable collection of instruments for the active autumn season. We are thrilled to host three amazing musical events this autumn: Phil Nimmons & David Braid, Anne Lindsay, and the Duelling Pianos duo of Mark Kersey & Randy Vancourt are all performing in the showroom.

We hope you can join us!

Alex Hahn
PRESIDENT, ALEX HAHN

PHOTO: JAMES RAMSAY



LOVE AT FIRST TOUCH

No two pianos are ever alike, but for me there are many things I look for when playing a piano.

One of those things is the action of the keys and the piano's resistance. Although I grew up with a

classical background, I

don't dig into the piano like many, so I enjoy not having to fight too much to produce the sound I am aspiring to achieve. However, if the action is too loose I find myself less able to control the details of fast articulation. I don't particularly like bright pianos: I find their sound to be a bit piercing.

A piano that is warmer in tone or even darker, presents a wide range in achievable moods with more subtleties.

That being said, bright or dark, when I find a piano that has an overall richness and full-bodied sound, that trumps all. These pianos provide an energy that inspires any performance in any situation.

THOMPSON EGBO EGBO

WOW! HERE WE GROW AGAIN!



Our piano studio was getting busier and busier, and we realized that parents and students needed somewhere to wait before lessons.

Complete with out-of-date New Yorker magazines, we have created a comfortable little corner of our store.

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PAUL HAHN & Co. HIGHLIGHTS

HEEEERE'S DOUG!

Please welcome Doug Wedel and his faithful companion Chelsea to the PH & Co. in-house team. He's been with us freelance for over 15 years, carving missing parts on piano surfaces and solving problem

woodworking projects. Now he's here full time as a piano technician.

Before, he made our pianos beautiful on the outside, now he makes them sound and work beautifully on the inside. As we all know, a beautiful piano is a pleasure to play.



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THE KEY TO CLEAN KEYS

Every week, we receive a few phone calls from people wondering how to best clean their keytops. Whether ivory or plastic, the simplest way is to lightly moisten a soft cotton cloth with water and rub the key, making sure that no liquid drips down the side.

Then take a dry soft cotton cloth and wipe the keytop dry. Presto! Clean keys!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday Nov. 24th 6:30pm - Juno Award Winners **David Braid & Phil Nimmons** perform together. Incredible opportunity to hear Canadian jazz royalty perform together.

Saturday Nov. 26th 2:00 & 3:30 pm - 5th Annual Carol Sing with **Tim Elliott** - In conjunction with the Rosedale Main Street BIA Cavalcade Of Lights. Enjoy everything our neighbourhood has to offer, as well as street performers,



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face painting for kids, and much more! To arrange a piano player for your own Caroling Party, please contact us.

Thursday Dec. 7th 6:30pm - **Anne Lindsay & Emilyn Stam** - intoxicating improvisation with fiddle and piano.

To R.S.V.P to any of our events please email Alex at alexhahn@paulhahn.com or call 416.922.3122

PHOTO: KEVIN LAMB



MUSIC MADE IN HEAVEN

On October 1, our Sales Manager Jeremy Elliott was married to Carolyn Shaver. Now that's good fortune! Congratulations to them both.



PHOTO: ALEX HAHN

FAREWELL, STEINWAY (2001-2011)

In early October we said farewell to Steinway, friend to all she met. A friendly soul, Steinway gently greeted everyone who visited the store, and kept a watchful eye on all Paul Hahn & Co. employees. An enthusiastic recipient of head scratches and belly rubs, she will be sorely missed.

Our condolences especially to Allan, Alex, Allister, Andrew and Allie.

☆☆ LETTERS ☆☆

'Hello Alex, Thank you very much for your kindness. I am very happy'
- Sincerely, Akiko

Paul Hahn & Co. did a spectacular job restoring our Steinway baby grand. If you have an heirloom sitting in your living room that needs some TLC, these are the people to call. Alex and her staff are simply the best in the business!!

- Warmest regards, Jennifer Brown

KEEP THOSE LETTERS, POSTCARDS AND EMAILS COMING!

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