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Kyrie Kristmanson

- a brilliant new talent on the Canadian scene -
joins **Art of Time Ensemble** concert featuring **Schumann's
*Piano Quintet in E flat Op. 44*** and **new works** inspired by it!

- Singer/songwriters **Kyrie Kristmanson, Andy Maize, Justin Rutledge, John Southworth,
Martin Tielli and David Wall**

- Quintet musicians **Steven Sitarski and Erika Raum** (violins), **Steven Dann** (viola),
David Hetherington (cello) and **Andrew Burashko** (piano)

Toronto, November 7, 2007... Toronto's acclaimed **Art of Time Ensemble** has announced an exciting addition to the talented singer/songwriter line-up for its highly-anticipated ***Source and Inspiration II*** concert, presented by season sponsor BMO Financial, **December 14 and 15** at Harbourfront Centre's **Enwave Theatre**. Featuring **Robert Schumann's** celebrated ***Piano Quintet in E flat Op. 44*** and a dozen brand-new songs inspired by it from six superbly gifted Canadian singer-songwriters assembled by Artistic Director **Andrew Burashko**. Art of Time's Official Broadcast Partner, **CBC Radio Two**, will record the concert for future broadcast.

Joining the already-stellar group of guest musicians – **Andy Maize, Justin Rutledge, John Southworth, Martin Tielli** – and **David Wall** – is **Kyrie Kristmanson**, one of the brightest young talents on the Canadian music scene today. Each artist will write and perform two brand-new songs inspired by **Schumann's** renowned ***Piano Quintet***.

Kyrie Kristmanson's unique musical style evokes the various Canadian maritime, prairie and urban landscapes in which she has grown up. Only eighteen, she has already captivated audiences throughout the country with her fusion of folk, jazz and alternative rock influences. Writing her powerful, exciting and thoughtful songs in both English and French, **Kristmanson** has played alongside musicians such as **Sarah Slean, Amy Millan, Blue Rodeo, Mother Mother, Cuff the Duke** and **The Skydiggers** (on CBC Radio's Fuse), and recently opened for Canadian sensation **Feist** in France. In the past three years, she has performed at Winnipeg Folk Festival's youth stage, the Ottawa and Montreal Jazz Festivals, the Montreal Fringe Festival, Pop Montreal, and the Ness Creek and Regina Music Festivals. Kristmanson was also recently nominated for a **Canadian Folk Music Award** in the category of **Best Young Performer**.

Some of the best classical musicians in Canada – **Erika Raum** and **Stephen Sitarski** (violins), **Steven Dann** (viola), **David Hetherington** (cello) and **Andrew Burashko** (piano) – perform **Schumann's** ever-popular ***Piano Quintet in E flat Op. 44***.

Robert Schumann (1810-1856) was a German composer and the husband of pianist **Clara Schumann**. Dedicated to his wife, Schumann's ***Piano Quintet in E flat*** is one of the world's most popular chamber music pieces. Written in 1842, this quintet established Schumann's prominence as a composer, was the first important work of its kind, and certainly remains one of the best.

The **Art of Time Ensemble**, founded by **Artistic Director Andrew Burashko**, presents performances that are based on classical music but have innovative twists of artistry, often combining contemporary music and media such as dance, film and literature with classical pieces. These concerts provoke, entertain and break down barriers, revealing the vibrancy of classical music as a contemporary artistic expression and appealing to a wide range of audiences.

BMO Financial presents **Art of Time Ensemble's
*Source and Inspiration II***

Robert Schumann masterpiece ***Piano Quintet in E flat Op. 44*** & original new songs inspired by it

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Friday, December 14 and Saturday, December 15, 2007 at 8pm
at **Enwave Theatre**, Harbourfront Centre, 231 Queens Quay West

Tickets: \$36 (\$25 seniors/students). Call Harbourfront Centre Box Office at **416-973-4000**. www.Artoftimeensemble.com