



von Trapps to perform concert to benefit School of Piano Technology for the Blind

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Through an exclusive arrangement, the von Trapps, great grandchildren of Captain and Maria von Trapp, will perform a benefit concert at the home of Ed and Dollie Lynch on Thursday, September 17, for the School of Piano Technology for the Blind. The von Trapps, Sofia, Melanie, Amanda, and August, have carried on the family tradition performing their unique blend of classical, global pop, and international music around the world for more than a decade.

“My parents loved the City of Vancouver and the people and places that make it such a wonderful place to live, work, and play and one of those very unique things is the School of Piano Technology for the Blind,” said Michael Lynch, son of Ed and Dollie. “Prior to Dad’s passing, he was so pleased to have been a part of the planning for this event and to offer the use of their beautiful home for the performance. I hope you will join us on September 17 for a wonderful celebration that echoes my parents’ love of music and will help support the School of Piano Technology for the Blind.”

“The concert provides a one-of-a-kind opportunity for the community to enjoy a performance by the wonderfully talented von Trapps in the beautiful setting the Lynch Family home and gardens provide,” said Cheri Martin, Executive Director. “We are thrilled at the generosity of both the Lynch Family and the von Trapps in presenting this concert and we look forward to wonderful event.”

Seating is very limited and, according to Martin, selling quickly. For more information and to reserve your seats, please contact the School of Piano Technology for the Blind at 360-693-1511 or www.pianotuningschool.org.

The School of Piano Technology, founded in 1949, is the only school in the world dedicated to teaching blind and visually-impaired individuals piano tuning and repair.

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The School of Piano Technology for the Blind was founded in 1949 by Emil Fries, a blind teacher and tuner who had a vision to start a school that would teach blind and visually impaired students the skills of piano tuning and repair so they could earn a good living and enjoy independent, productive lives in a financially rewarding

profession. Since the School's inception, more than 300 graduates have gone on to good careers in universities, music stores, school districts, and most often operating their own business.