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**Garth MacPhee**  
**new director of music**  
**at**  
**Saint George's Round Church**

Garth MacPhee has been appointed director of music at Saint George's Round Church. This is a role he previously held at the church between 1997 and 2000 before moving first to Victoria and then to Montreal to study and work.

Now back in his native Halifax, MacPhee is currently holding auditions for the main choir and also developing plans for a new junior choir for singers between the ages of seven and 14, and a cherub choir for younger children and their parents.

"There is a strong choral tradition at Saint George's dating back to the early 1990s," says MacPhee. "It is a place where musical and cultural events take place, and I am excited to be in a position where I can build on that tradition and help shape its future."

MacPhee is a graduate of McGill University's Schulich School of Music where he studied organ and liturgical improvisation with John Grew and William Porter. He also studied voice with the late Jan Simons and choral conducting with Michael Zaugg.

While in Montreal, MacPhee was director of music at the Church of Saint John the Evangelist, the oldest Anglo-Catholic parish in Canada. He also served as organist and choir director at Tempe Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, Montreal's only reformed synagogue.

In addition to his duties as director of music, MacPhee will also be leading weekly musical activities with Saint George's YouthNet, a north end youth outreach program.

"I am delighted to be back at Saint George's," says MacPhee, "both for its adherence to traditional Anglican worship and its involvement in community outreach."

To arrange an audition for the Saint George's choir or to find out more information about the cherub and youth choirs, please contact Garth MacPhee on 423-1059 or [music@roundchurch.ca](mailto:music@roundchurch.ca).

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Note to editors:

Saint George's Anglican Church –popularly known as “the round church”-- is well known for its superb acoustics, beautiful architecture, and its powerful Létourneau pipe organ.

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