

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## Update: Recital to mark the temporary closing of the Peace Tower Carillon

Ottawa, Ontario - February 22, 2022

The Dominion Carillonneur, Dr. Andrea McCrady, will play a special closing recital at noon on Wednesday, February 23. Following this recital, the Carillon will temporarily fall silent as the rehabilitation of the Parliament Building reaches the Peace Tower.

Rehabilitation work will include structural upgrades and masonry restoration. It will also involve replacing the clappers on some of the Carillon bells, upgrading the tower's manual keyboard to a World Carillon Federation modern standard, and adding a new manual transmission system in the belfry.

While rehabilitation work takes place, the Dominion Carillonneur will focus on the other aspects of her role, including teaching, promoting carillon studies, and researching and adapting contemporary and historical music for the Carillon. Dr. McCrady will also serve as a technical advisor to the conservation team working on the restoration.

This significant musical event can be heard via the <u>live audio stream</u>. As the performance will be live, audio streaming will be available only during the scheduled recital.

Date	Time	Recital
February 23, 2022	12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. ET	Closing Recital

Since its inauguration in 1927, the Carillon has been an integral part of most major events on Parliament Hill. During various royal visits; at events of national importance, such as the first raising of Canada's new flag; at commemorative ceremonies; during state funerals; and at festive gatherings, the Carillon has been, in the words of the late prime minister Mackenzie King, the "voice of the nation."

## Resources

History of the Carillon

Dominion carillonneurs of Canada

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