

## **Robert McLeod**

Robert McLeod has been living and working in Vancouver as a freelance trombonist since 1983 when he returned to Canada from London, England, after studying with Denis Wick, principal trombonist of the London Symphony Orchestra. He holds a Master's degree in trombone performance from the University of British Columbia, a Bachelor of Music degree with a Certificate for Excellence in Performance from Mount Allison University, and a teaching degree from Simon Fraser University.

As a professional trombonist, he has toured extensively throughout Canada and the United States, and internationally in such major centres as New York, London, Hong Kong, Singapore, Brisbane, Bombay, including a debut recital in Tchaikovsky Hall in Moscow. As an active freelance trombonist in Vancouver, he has performed with such ensembles as the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, the Vancouver Opera Orchestra, and the Victoria Symphony.

Rob has extensive experience as an adjudicator, having worked at major music festivals all across central and western Canada, and has been a presenter and clinician at music conferences both Provincially and Nationally. He has over 25 years of experience as a music teacher and band director at the Elementary, Secondary and College levels and his ensembles have won acclaim both provincially and nationally.

Rob recently retired from the world of public education to be able to dedicate more time to his family, and to his love of music. Rob and his wife Pam celebrate their roots on both of Canada's coasts, and split their time between North Vancouver, and the family farm in Sackville, N.B.