#### **About OGEHR**

Formed in 1985, the Guild's purpose is to promote, advance and facilitate the art, study and performance of handbell ringing in Ontario and elsewhere. We exchange ideas, assist newly-formed choirs, and provide a forum for discussion.

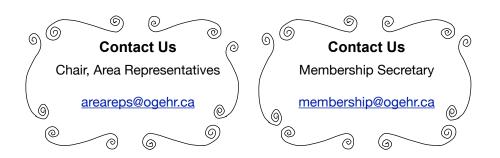
Our Mission - We are the voice of the handbell community in Ontario, fostering growth through relationships, education and awareness. Have a look at our website <a href="https://www.ogehr.ca">www.ogehr.ca</a>

Our Vision - By 2021, we will foster dynamic member engagement and provide inspiring ringer and director development within the Ontario handbell community.

The Guild is organized into 8 areas, each with an Area Representative. We organize annual workshops and a biennial festival that usually attracts over 500 ringers! We promote groups' concerts and encourage new opportunities to showcase handbells to new audiences.

We would enjoy having more youth ringers!

Experience the magic of ringing!







# **Benefits of Guild Membership**

- Regional workshops to increase the skills of bell ringers
- Biennial provincial festival and workshops
- Access to our members' blog to communicate with others about ringing, music, updates from our sister guilds, and other news
- Access to our music lending library
- Handbell/handchime loan program
- Exposure to music and supplies
- Annual Meeting
  - English handbell ringing is an excellent tool for music education and a delightful group instrument, providing fun and a challenge to all who play
  - The beautiful tones of handbell music are a joy to experience
  - Learn to create unique sounds and expand your musicality

## **Musical Activities**



#### **Biennial Provincial Festival**

- · Meet other ringers
- Experience international conductors
- Perform with hundreds of other ringers in a mass concert





#### Workshops

- · Learn bell techniques
- Try out new music
- · Meet other local ringers





### **Groups**

- · Choirs located throughout Ontario
- · Find a local choir and try it out
- · Form a new group
- Make new friends
- · Start a youth choir



