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## **Pavlo Hunka and a Midsummer's Night of Music in Wine Country**

The *Ukrainian Art Song Project* invites you to enjoy an evening concert with internationally renowned bass-baritone **Pavlo Hunka on Thursday July 23, 2009** in a truly unique concert venue - the *Rosewood Estates Winery and Meadery*.

Hunka's extraordinary career has allowed him to reign as one of Europe's foremost interpreters of bass-baritone operatic repertoire. Yet it is the Ukrainian art song that has captured his heart. His astounding versatility, exceptional musicianship and commanding stage presence allows Hunka to create an intimate and mesmerizing experience for the audience.

The evening is a rare opportunity for both serious opera lovers and Ukrainian art song aficionados to enjoy Hunka perform a selection of Ukrainian art songs and to share his passion for this genre in an informal setting. Guests will also have an opportunity to get up close and personal with the winemaking process. Owners, **Renata and Eugene Roman** will be available to conduct tours of their facility and to answer questions about their winemaking. This is a **fundraising event** for the *Art Songs of Mykola Lysenko* supported by the **Canada-Ukraine Chamber of Commerce**.

The **Rosewood Estates Winery and Meadery** is one of the newest wineries in the Beamsville bench region of Ontario. Situated atop a gently rolling hill it enjoys an expansive vista of the surrounding grape groves. This small-batch winery has already won recognition as a prime VQAO quality producer of numerous award winning red and white wines as well as of unique mead (honey wine) offerings.

### **Background info**

As the artistic director of the *Ukrainian Art Song Project*, Hunka is in Toronto, Ontario this summer to complete the mastering of the six-CD compilation of the art songs of Mykola Lysenko and to begin recording the art songs of Yakiv Stepovyj at the Glenn Gould Studio. The world premiere of the *Ukrainian Art Song Project's* six-CD compilation of Lysenko's art songs will take place at the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts in Toronto on Sunday, April 11, 2010.

The Rosewood Estates is located at 4352 Mountainview Rd. in Beamsville, Ontario.

Tickets @ 150 for this fundraising event may be purchased from the Canada-Ukraine Chamber of Commerce by email at [info@cucc.ca](mailto:info@cucc.ca) or by phone at 416-253-6700.

**For more information about the *Ukrainian Art Song Project* please visit [www.uasp.ca](http://www.uasp.ca).**