## **Pierre Schryer Trio**

Pierre Schryer Trio is a phenomenal international group of Celtic musicians from Canada. The group features Franco Ontarian fiddler Pierre Schryer, Torontonian bassist Joseph Phillips and European influenced guitarist Adam Dobres from British Columbia. A tour de force of versatility, fine musicianship and technical dexterity, this trio brings together three diverse and successful music careers laden with awards and nominations including JUNO, Canadian Folk Music, Western Canadian Music Awards and the Grammy Awards. Their first connections as a trio were on Pierre's 2008 recording project "Mélange." Several tours and musical projects later, the trio continues to appear on national and international festival stages from the Pacific to the Atlantic and beyond. You can find their recordings on iTunes and performance dates on their personal websites.



**YouTube links:** <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nDEmjdmqFSg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nDEmjdmqFSg</a></a>
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## Pierre Schryer - Fiddle, Foot Percussion

Pierre Schryer is one of Canada's leading traditional fiddlers. A recipient of numerous titles and awards including Canadian Open Fiddle Champion, Grand Masters Champion, Violoneux Championnat, and North American Irish Fiddle Champion, Pierre truly captivates an audience with his energy and genuine warmth. His ability knows no bounds, covering styles from Irish, Scottish, Québecois, and Cape Breton to Canadian Old Time, American Swing and more. As leader of his self-titled group, Pierre Schryer Band built an international reputation as one of Canada's most well respected traditional music ensembles by touring throughout Canada, the USA, Ireland, Europe and the UK since the mid-90's. Pierre has shared the stage with dozens of internationally renowned colleagues in the traditional music scene and has performed with numerous orchestras across Canada with his acclaimed Symphony Pops show. Of his six recordings released on his own label New Canadian Records, "Blue Drag" was nominated at the 2004 JUNO Awards for best Roots and Traditional (Group) Album of the Year, "Mélange" at the 2008 Canadian Folk Music Awards for Instrumental Solo Album of the Year, and "2 Worlds United", a brilliant duo album with top Irish button accordionist Dermot Byrne, was distributed by Claddagh Records. Pierre's talents extend beyond his musical abilities. An accomplished luthier and artist, he currently performs on one of his own violins and creates the cover art and design for his recordings. Pierre is the creator and artistic director of "Canadian Celtic Celebration", a three-day June festival presented in Thunder Bay, Ontario for 16 years. Dedicated to passing on the tradition, Pierre teaches at numerous fiddle camps and is committed to creating community through traditional music sessions wherever he resides.

https://youtu.be/uxX-twz55mw



## Joe Phillips - Double Bass, Voice

Born in Toronto, Joe Phillips has carved out a career as one of Canada's most versatile double bassists. Currently playing with Art of Time Ensemble, The London Symphonia, Jayme Stone's Lomax Project and Payadora Tango Ensemble, he has also played and recorded both bass and guitar with Pierre Schryer, Shane Cook, Nuala Kennedy, Sarah Slean, David Braid, Andrew Downing, Miranda Mulholland, Jill Barber, Ruth Moody and the Wailin' Jennys.

An accomplished classical musician, Joe has been the principal bassist of Orchestra London Canada, Sinfonia Toronto and the Thunder Bay Symphony, and has performed with the Toronto Symphony, the National Arts Centre Orchestra, the Canadian Opera Company and many other ensembles. Joe has had the opportunity to play with some of the best chamber musicians in Canada and the world through his work with the Sweetwater Music Festival, Festival of the Sound, Ottawa Chamber Music Festival and has toured with Canadian chamber music supergroup, Octagon.

Joe lives in London Ontario with his partner Sylvie, and their two children

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## **Adam Dobres** - Guitar

Adam Dobres is a highly accomplished guitarist with a natural ability to embody any style of music. He is equally at home with Bluegrass, Celtic, Jazz, Gypsy, Country, Folk, Old Time, Rock, Blues, and more. His love of the electric and acoustic guitar has taken him around the globe, performing throughout North America, Europe, Australia, and New Zealand. With a taste for experimenting with personal style and a love of touring, Adam has embarked on living his dream. From playing Celtic music with some of Canada's finest fiddle players including Daniel Lapp and Pierre Schryer, Adam has branched out to Pop Rock with Grammy Nominee Toni Childs (including an Australian tour were they opened for the legendary Jackson Brown), performed with renowned musicians playing exotic instruments such as the Sitar, Turkish Lira and African Kora, and toured North America with Old Time string band Outlaw Social. Adam was part of The Dustin Bentall outfit when they performed at the Opening Ceremonies of the 2010 Winter Olympics and supported Blue Rodeo on their 2010 Canadian tour. In 2011 Adam joined the Ruth Moody Band, and along with this dynamic folk vocalist and her all-star band has toured Europe, Canada and the US, and has released several albums. Well versed in the recording process, Adam was the musical engineer and producer for a meaningful project with Sarah Van Borek in creating the "One Voice" video. The video was part of the SFU Public Square "Alone Together" conference focussing on bridging the gap of cultural isolation and disconnection within the Vancouver community. Adam recently released his self-titled, first solo album - an eclectic mix of his own compositions revealing his many influences and his absolute grace and superb versatility on the guitar.

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