

ANNUAL CAROL CONCERT 2019 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Sunday, December 8, 2019, at 3pm Foellinger Great Hall

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UNIVERSITY CHORUS

Christopher Mason, conductor Charlotte Graham, assistant conductor Peng Du, accompanist

UI WOMEN'S GLEE CLUB

Andrea Solya, conductor Paige Graham, graduate assistant conductor Yi-Wen Tsai, accompanist

UI VARSITY MEN'S GLEE CLUB

Barrington Coleman, conductor Austin Cody, assistant conductor Simon Tiffin and Cale Wolf, accompanists

UI BLACK CHORUS

Ollie Watts Davis, conductor Ashley M. Davis, assistant conductor Quandra Clark and Grace Fink, accompanists

UI CHAMBER SINGERS

Andrew Megill, conductor Brendan Barker, graduate assistant conductor Simon Tiffin and Ty Tuttle, accompanists

UI GRADUATE BRASS QUINTET

Josh Dolney, trumpet A.J. Peoples. trumpet Anna Marshall, horn Brad Martinez, trombone Austin Cooper, tuba

The Annual Carol Concert is produced by the University of Illinois School of Music, Jeffrey Sposato, director.

PROGRAM

*The audience is invited to join in singing where indicated. Please hold your applause until the end.

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Prelude: Seasonal Selections	UI Graduate Brass Quintet	
O magnum mysterium UI Chamber Singers; Brendan Barker, conductor	Francis Poulenc	
The House of Winter Read by Megan Eagen-Jones, lecturer in musicolo	George Mackay Brown gy	
Videntes stellam Magi Ul Women's Glee Club; Paige Graham, conductor	Cesar Alejandro Carillo	
*O Come, All Ye Faithful Andrew Megill, conductor	arr. Sir David Willcocks	
1. O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant! O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; Come and behold him, born the King of Angels: O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,	3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven above! Glory to God, glory in the highest: O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,	
2. God of God, Light of Light, Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb; Very God, Begotten, not created: O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!	4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning; Jesu, to thee be all glory giv'n! Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing: O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,	
Canticle III from Three Sacred Pieces UI Varsity Men's Glee Club; Barrington Coleman, c	David Conte onductor	
For Unto Us a Child is Born from Handel's Messiah: A Soulful Celebration UI Black Chorus; Ollie Watts Davis, conductor	George Frideric Handel (arr. Gary Hines)	

arr. Sir David Willcocks

*Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

Sinhaeng Lee, conductor

1. Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king; Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled." Joyful all ye nations rise. Join the triumph of the skies, With the angelic host proclaim. "Christ is born in Bethlehem."

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king"

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of a Virgin's womb: Veiled in flesh the Godhead see.

Hail the incarnate
Deity,
Pleased as man with
man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel,
Hark! The herald
angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn
King."

3. Hail the Heavenborn Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king."

Sussex Carol University Chorus; Christopher Mason, conductor	arr. David Willcocks
Laudate pueri UI Women's Glee Club; Andrea Solya, conductor	Felix Mendelssohn
Shoveling Snow with Buddha Read by Jeffrey Sposato, professor and director of the School of Music	Billy Collins
Hodie Christus natus est UI Varsity Men's Glee Club; Austin Cody, conductor	Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
Sir Christèmas	William Mathias

University Chorus; Christopher Mason, conductor

*The First Nowell

angel did say,

they lay;

Kirsten Hedegaard, conductor

1. The first Nowell the Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King Was to certain poor

shepherds in fields as 2. They looked up and saw a star, In fields where they, lay Shining in the east keeping their sheep, beyond them far, On a cold winter's night And to the earth it gave that was so deep. great light,

of Israel.

And so it continued both day and night. Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel

3. Then let us all with one accord. Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;

arr. Robert T. Gibson arr. Sir David Willcocks

> That hath made heaven and earth of nought, And with his blood mankind hath bought. Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, born is the King of Israel.

Ding Dong! Merrily on High

UI Chamber Singers; Andrew Megill, conductor

Somebody Talkin' 'Bout Jesus

UI Black Chorus: Ollie Watts Davis, conductor

arr. Andrew Megill

arr. Stacey V. Gibbs

Now the Work of Christmas Begins

Read by Charlotte Graham, senior choral music education student

Howard Thurman

And He Shall Purify from Handel's Messiah: A Soulful Celebration

Combined Choirs and UI Jazz Vocal Ensemble with Barrington Coleman, conductor; Melinda Rodriguez, vocal soloist;

Jesus Fuentes, piano; Mitchell Maftean, bass; Nikola Dokic, drums; Eric Devey, trumpet; Reginald Lewis, tenor sax; Jeremiah St. John, trombone; Eduardo Quiroga, trombone

George Frideric Handel (arr. Mervyn Warren and Michael O. Jackson)

*Joy to the World (Postlude)

Barrington Coleman, conductor

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come, Let earth receive her King! Let every heart prepare Him room, And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and nature sing, And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

2. Joy to the world! the Savior reigns, Let men their songs employ. While fields and floods. Rocks, hills and plains, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy!

arr. Richard Webster

3. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove, The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love. And wonders of His love. And wonders and wonders of His love!

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SOPRANO

Lucy Economos
Therese Egner
Isabella Feret
Charlotte Graham
Emma Holzhauer
Catherine Hsu
Rajvi Javeri
Sarah Jin
Erin Kravchick
Hemani Nagam
Susie Nash
Madeline Noga
Harriet Wang

ALTO

Josie Alameda
Natalie Cochran
Olivia Harrington
Astha Jain
Helen Jiang
Saffron Krause
Savannah Limberg
Gabbi Ludwig
Lizzie MacDonald
Diana Moran
Cindy Wang
Amanda Wang
Hanling Hedy Yang
Yuchen Zeng
Jingqi Zhu

TENOR

Ethan Fazio Michael Holstein Jacob Leicht Gautam Prabhu Hamson Shen

BASS

Adam Brinati Kyle Heimburger Owen Henderson Luke Janikowski Nicholas Liese Chandler MacSwain Luke Robert Mark Stanek Landon Turvey

UI WOMEN'S GLEE CLUB

Andrea Solya, conductor Paige Graham, graduate assistant conductor Yi-Wen Tsai, accompanist

SOPRANO I

Neha Adkoli Lisa Buhelos Paige Calvert Mary Currie Flizabeth De Sae Silva Cait Egan Beth Fineberg Kiki Frost Christina Ginocchio Crystal Hall Nicole Kaminski Natalia Lastowiecka Emily Lee Anna Lowery Kennedy Ortmeier Kaitlin Popovich Marie-Therese Romanos Kathryn Swanson Madelyn Wagner

SOPRANO II

Maggie Ward

Eghosa Atoe
Anna Benoit
Erin Callaghan
Lauren Dubravec
Amanda Duran
Isabel Gleason
Sydney Hoel
Angela Klingelhoffer
Alana Korzonas
Erin Shea Lee

Elisabeth Meyer Kathryn Mitchell Maya O'Neill Norhan Osman Ruby Phebus Logan Piker Anna Roberts Niki Sodetz Rachel Spencer Molly Thornberry Haley Wilson

ALTO I

Fleena Ahmed Audrey Ashburn Alyssa Debock Sarah Durbin Charlotte Graham 7oe Hannon Sarah High Tessa Irish-Minewiser Emma Larson Jamilyn Martin Stephanie McFann Sophie Michael **Emily Naud** Rowan Ownby Steph Petrov Catherine Tarpey Alyssa Weir Mackenzie Wells Meghan Wommack Coley Zralka

ALTO II

Sophia Belvedere Julia Curry Emily Dao Maddy Gilmore Odilia Got Allison Hefner Lindsey Lebeda Rikke Lund Amanda Maher Emma Mize Anabel Nosek Maddie Omalley Daina Polikaitis Nicole Rodriguez Hannah Still Maya Thomas Tiffany Tzeng Cher Wang Julia Welle **Brigid Young** Elizabeth Zarley

UI VARSITY MEN'S GLEE CLUB

Barrington Coleman, conductor Austin Cody, assistant conductor Simon Tiffin and Cale Wolf, accompanists

TENOR I

Anton Escano
Connor Pils
Dylan Wolf
Ebad Rana
Emmett Etchingham
Jake Daniel Patterson
Johnny Adams
Michael Matos
Noah Hanselman
Richard He
Toby Antonsen
Will Foster

TENOR II

Aaron Wang
Adam Barrera
Andrew Failma
Doran Cotter
Isaac Wisthuff
Jacob Singer
Joe Grudt
Jonathan Hoelzel
Matt Yaniz
Nicolas Roman-Ahlgrim
Simon Tiffin

BASS I

Aaron Mejorada Adrian Herath Alejandro Partida Ally Merrett David Johnson Evan Dawson Haolin Luo Jacob Kraft Nathan Waterson Sai Komaragiri Wesley Litten Arinze Okammor Jarod Fox Jonathan Cortez

BASS II

Abe Han
Brian Pils
Cale Wolf
Justin Roskamp
Liam Flynn
Michael Olszowka
Nate Madell
Omari Moss
Tristan Antonsen
Kevin Kato
Matt Petersen
Benjamin Mathew

UI BLACK CHORUS

Ollie Watts Davis, conductor Ashley M. Davis, assistant conductor Quandra Clark and Grace Fink, accompanists Brianna Tyler, graduate teaching assistant

SOPRANO

Alexis Berry Sarah Birchenough Amber Bond Rebecca Bora Jessica Buford Gabrielle Dagher Ciobhan Dunn Brenna Faber Anita Gomez Antania Green Flizabeth Hamlin Jasmine Henderson Doris King Allysia Miller Leah President Alora Rent Jamie Sergay Maddy Szarnozki Brianna Tyler Riley Wilson Carissa Yau

ALTO

Sophie Abdella Olayemi Adebayo Diamond Arrington Keziah Buabeng Sharon Cheona Quandra Clark Katelyn Clemons J'ny Cockrell Geraldine Dagher Ashley Davis Charity Davis Sara Doemler Shelby Dorsey Jasmine M. Erving Nakya Ferrell Grace Fink Madison Gardner Jaharra Griffin Sydney Jones Esther Lawal Brein Moselv Erika Pogorzelska Paris Walker Amy Watson Kortney Wilcher **Emily Williams**

TENOR

Sheldon Adams
Jerry Baffour
Rithik Booreddy
Marcus Hill
Jake Julian
Christian McKinney
Joseph Moorehouse
Barrett Patton
Reginald Payne II

BARITONE/ BASS

Amir Abu Ghazaleh Joshua Hackel Nate Luster Zachary Mesplay Ryan Sadowski R.J. Schlesinger Julia Slater Andrew White Rashaad Young

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Piano/Organ/Keyboard
Quandra Clark, principal
Ashley M. Davis
Grace Fink

Percussion Ashley M. Davis

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SOPRANO

Mary Currie Lauren Falk Rowan Frantz Paige Graham Caitlyn Hennessy Caroline McKinzie Lydia Walsh-Rock

ALTO

Sophia Byrd Liz Frodge Kirsten Hedegaard Thereza Lituma Mora Novey Miranda Rowland Erin Ryan Lizzy Zarley

TENOR

Brendan Barker Austin Cody Nicholas Koch Christopher Mason Timon Niedecken Simon Tiffin

BASS

Trey Floyd Reid Gramm Patrick Hockberger Scott Knier Sinhaeng Lee Connor Pils Geoffrey Schmelzer Christopher Stanfill

TEXTS AND TRANSLATIONS

O magnum mysterium

Francis Poulence

Alleluial

O magnum mysterium, et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, iacentem in praesepio! Beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Iesum Christum.

O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament, that animals should see the newborn Lord, lying in a manger!

Blessed is the virgin whose womb was worthy to bear the Lord, Jesus Christ,

Alleluial

The House of Winter

George Mackay Brown

At last, the house of winter. On the sill Intricate ice jewelery, a snowflake.

Open one dark door. Wind-flung, A golden moth! Soon A candle flame, tranquil and tall.

It is a bitter house. On the step Birds starve. The sign over the door is warped and faded. Inside one chamber, see

A bare thorn.

Wait. A bud breaks. It is a white rose.

We think, in the heart of the house A table is set With a wine iar and broken bread.

Videntes stellam Magi

Cesar Alejandro Carillo

Vidéntes stellam Magi gavísi sunt gáudio mágno: et intrántes dómmum obtulérunt Dómino áurum. thus et myrrham

Seeing the star, the Magi rejoiced exceedingly with great joy: and entering the house, they offered to the Lord gold, incense, and myrrh.

Canticle III from Three Sacred Pieces

David Conte

From the rising of the sun, until the going down of the same,
I will praise your name forever!
Let all the earth and all that hath breath;

Let everything praise the Lord. All fish and fowl, all men and saints; Let everything praise the Lord, Alleluia.

For Unto Us a Child is Born from Handel's Messiah: A Soulful Celebration

George Frideric Handel (arr. Gary Hines)

Glorious morn, glorious morn, little baby Jesus Christ is born.

Spoken Word:

This is a song about the birth of a baby boy, Bringing to the world love, peace, and heavenly joy. He inspired Handel's Messiah From this inspiration, A Soulful Celebration.

Sing and shout; sing and shout. Glory, hallelujah, gonna sing and shout.

Wrapped up in a manger in-a swaddlin' clothes Was the little baby Jesus that the prophets foretold.

People gathered round Him just to sing and rejoice,

They cried out together in one great voice.

For unto us a Child is born.

See the pretty little baby boy; see the pretty little baby boy.

What a pretty little baby boy; what a pretty little baby boy.

Kwa' sisi mtoto ame-za-liwa Kwa' sisi mtoto tu-to-ta-ley-wa Kwah sisi to-tu-ta ley -waFor unto us a Child is born

And the government shall be up upon His shoulder

And His name shall be called

Wonderful (He is the Wonderful), Counselor (Wonderful Counselor), The Mighty God (Mighty God), The Everlasting Father (He's the Father), The Prince of Peace (Heavenly Prince of Prince,) He's the Prince of Peace. See the pretty little baby boy; see the pretty little baby boy.

What a pretty little baby boy; what a pretty little baby.

Bah dah dah O that morn, Hallelujah, A little bitty pretty baby boy is born. Unto us a (a baby boy) a Son is given, Unto us a Son is given.

Don't you know that the government

(Shall be upon His shoulder), Everyone in the government (Shall be upon His shoulder), The government shall be upon His shoulder, His name shall be called

Wonderful Counselor The Mighty God Everlasting Father Prince of Peace

Sussex Carol

arr. David Willcocks

On Christmas night all Christians sing, To hear the news the angels bring, News of great joy, news of great mirth, News of our merciful King's birth.

Then why should men on earth be so sad, Since our redeemer made us glad, When from our sin he set us free, All for to gain our liberty. When sin departs before his grace, Then life and health come in its place; Angels and men with joy may sing, All for to see the new-born King.

All out of darkness we have light, Which made the angels sing this night: "Glory to God and peace to men, Now and for evermore, Amen,"

Laudate pueri

Felix Mendelssohn

Laudate, pueri, Dominum; laudate nomen Domini. Sit nomen Domini benedictum ex hoc nunc et usque in saecula. Praise, o ye servants of the Lord,
Praise the name of the Lord.
Blessed be the name of the Lord
From this time forth and for evermore.

Shoveling Snow with Buddha

Billy Collins

In the usual iconography of the temple or the local Wok

you would never see him doing such a thing, tossing the dry snow over a mountain of his bare, round shoulder, his hair tied in a knot, a model of concentration.

Sitting is more his speed, if that is the word for what he does, or does not do.

Even the season is wrong for him.

In all his manifestations, is it not warm or slightly humid?

Is this not implied by his serene expression, that smile so wide it wraps itself around the waist of the universe?

But here we are, working our way down the driveway,

one shovelful at a time.

We toss the light powder into the clear air. We feel the cold mist on our faces.

And with every heave we disappear and become lost to each other in these sudden clouds of our own making,

these fountain-bursts of snow.

This is so much better than a sermon in church, I say out loud, but Buddha keeps on shoveling. This is the true religion, the religion of snow, and sunlight and winter geese barking in the sky, I say, but he is too busy to hear me.

He has thrown himself into shoveling snow as if it were the purpose of existence, as if the sign of a perfect life were a clear driveway, you could back the car down easily and drive off into the vanities of the world with a broken heater fan and a song on the radio.

All morning long we work side by side, me with my commentary and he inside his generous pocket of silence, until the hour is nearly noon and the snow is piled high all around us; then, I hear him speak.

After this, he asks, can we go inside and play cards?

Certainly, I reply, and I will heat some milk and bring cups of hot chocolate to the table while you shuffle the deck. and our boots stand dripping by the door.

Aaah, says the Buddha, lifting his eyes and leaning for a moment on his shovel before he drives the thin blade again deep into the glittering white snow

Hodie Christus natus est

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

Hodie Christus natus est Hodie Salvator apparuit Hodie in terra canunt Angeli laetantur Archangeli Hodie exsultant justi, dicentes: Gloria in excelsis Deo Alleluia Today Christ is born
Today the Savior appeared
Today on earth the Angels sing,
Archangels rejoice
Today the righteous rejoice, saying:
Glory to God in the highest
Alleluia

Sir Christèmas

William Mathias

Nowell, nowell.
Who is there that singeth so,
I am here, Sir Christèmas.
Welcome, my lord Sir Christèmas!
Welcome to all, both more and less!
Come near, come near, come near,
Nowell, nowell.

Dieu vous garde, beaux sieurs, Tidings I you bring: A maid hath borne a child full young, Which causeth you to sing: Nowell. nowell. Christ is now born of a pure maid, Born of a pure maid; In an ox-stall he is laid, Wherefore sing we at a brayde: Nowell, nowell.

Buvez bien, buvez bien
Par toute la compagnie.
Make good cheer and be right merry,
And sing with us now joyfully
Nowell, nowell!

Ding Dong! Merrily on High

arr. Andrew Megill

Ding dong! merrily on high In heaven the bells are ringing: Ding dong! verily the sky Is riven with angel singing Gloria. Hosanna in excelsis!

E'en so here below, below Let steeple bells be swungen And "Io, Io, Io!" By priest and people sungen Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis! Pray you, dutifully prime Your matin chime, ye ringers; May you beautifully rime Your evetime song, ye singers! Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis! Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis!

Somebody Talkin' 'Bout Jesus

Stacey V. Gibbs

Everywhere, everywhere, somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus.

Everywhere I go (oh, yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him)

Everywhere I go (oh, yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him)

Oh Lord, you know that

Everywhere I go (somebody talkin' somebody talkin')

Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus.

Everywhere I go (oh, yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him)

Everywhere I go (oh, yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him)

Oh Lord, you know that

Everywhere I go (somebody talkin' somebody talkin')

Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus.

They turned away Joseph an' Mary from the inn, (Somebody, somebody)

Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus.

A baby born in Bethlehem, (Somebody, somebody)

Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus. Yes!

Everywhere I go (oh, yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him)

Everywhere I go (oh, yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him')

Oh Lord, you know that

Everywhere I go (somebody talkin' somebody talkin')

Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus.

Born, born, of the virgin Mary (Somebody, somebody) Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus.

Born, born, on Christmas morning. (Somebody, somebody) Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus. Yes!

Everywhere I go (oh, yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him)

Everywhere I go (oh, yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him)

Oh Lord, you know that Everywhere I go (somebody talkin' somebody talkin')

Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus.

Some call Him Counselor, Call Him King Jesus, Lord Almighty God, Emmanuel Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Oh, what a story to tell!

Everywhere yes, Everywhere Lord, Everywhere I go (Everywhere I go Lord, good Lord) Everywhere I go

Oh Lord, you know that

Everywhere I go (everywhere, everywhere)

Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus.

Somebody talkin', yes, somebody talkin' 'bout Him, (x2–3 times, vamp)

Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus Somebody talkin' 'bout my Jesus Somebody talkin' 'bout Jesus, my Jesus!

Now the Work of Christmas Begins

Howard Thurman

When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone, when the kings and princes are home, when the shepherds are back with their flocks, the work of Christmas begins: to find the lost.

to heal the broken, to feed the hungry, to release the prisoner, to rebuild the nations, to bring peace among the people, to make music in the heart.

And He Shall Purify from Handel's Messiah: A Soulful Celebration

George Frideric Handel (arr. Mervyn Warren and Michael O. Jackson)

And He shall purify the sons of Levi, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.

They live in holiness for they are set aside, that they mighty glorify the Lord, rejoicing in His power to save, for he has made a way for them to yield their lives. They march to Zion, the New Jerusalem. They tell the story, of wondrous glory. The Sons and Daughters. The Holy Water. The Celebration. The Culmination.