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Belle Voix

Megan Arntzen Samantha Barry Melissa Bebel Eileen Brett Amanda Cox Kendra Cranford Natassia Dunlap Nora Fredstrom Olivia Glossa Breanne Jackson Delaney Lawson Boram Lee Elyse Link Talitha Matulac Jennifer McKenzie Kaitlin Paternoga Kendra Penke Rachel Pinto Madeleine Puschautz Hannah Ritter Megan Schwenk Lauren Sheffey

Concert Choir

Kayla Smith

Sarah Strauss

Heidi West

Hannah Wier

Colleen Thomas

Amanda Wilderman

Danelle Eckhart
Paige Fairbanks
Audra Ferguson
Rashida Haugabook
Jordan Henderson
Lauren Kapraun
Emily Kuchenbrod
Ali Lockenvitz
Kristin Moroni
Destiny Prytulski
Sarah Caputo
Beth Hollander
Annie Sturtewagen
Kristyn Szwajka
Mary Claire Zurowski

Alexandra Blakewell

Sarah Coughlin Allison Pardys Sarah Siemer

Terri Kaszynski

Rozie Kress Adrianna Ladage

Cally Lindenmier Sidney Megeff Roni Raufer

Claire Reibel

Kirsty-Rae Shaulis

Elizabeth Wendt Landon Westerfield

Kevin Alleman

Rory Bolton Isaace Funk

Mark Grizzrd

Josh Olsen Brandon Olson

John Papandrea Eric Rehm

Trey Sauer

Adam Schumacher

Lucas Tuazon

Josh Dunn Mitch Evans

Keith Boatner

Michael Gutierrez

Rob Holden

Matt Koehlinger Ian Lundquist

Cullyo Myroby

Cullyn Murphy Daniel Peteren

Andrew Phelps

Josh Ramseyer

Rob Romanowski

Adam Schierenbeck

Phillip Dempsey

Christie Duffer

Joseph Rosson

Cory Schreiner

Brad Bauman

Melody Sylvester

Françoise Widmaier

Krista Chmiel

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Leslie Manfredo, *Director* Charles Berggren, *pianist*

Concert Choir

Karyl Carlson, *Director* Mark Grizzard, *Guest Conductor* Érico Bezerra, *pianist*

> Center for the Performing Arts April 6, 2014 Sunday Afternoon 3:00 p.m.

Program

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Belle Voix

from *The Creation*Awake the Harp

Franz Joseph Haydn

(1732-1809)

transcribed and edited by Clara Tillinghast

Colleen Thomas, soprano soloist

Ave Verum Corpus

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

(1756-1791)

Nora Fredstrom, violin Hannah Kehe, harp Charles Berggren, piano

Translation of the Latin text:

Ave, verum corpus natum de maria Virgine

Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary,

Vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine,

Who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for man,

Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine,

Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood,

Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

Be for us a foretaste in the test of death.

And Miriam Sang (Shiru L'Adonai)

Text Exodus 15:21 music by Zebulon M. Highben

**Talitha Matulac, drum Megan Schwenk, drum Jennifer McKenzie, tambourine

Translation of the Hebrew text:

Shiru l'Adonai.

Sing to the Lord.

Shiru ki ga'oh ga'ah.

For the Lord is Highly exalted.

Shiru l'Hashem.

Sing to the Lord.

Sus verochevov ramah vaivam.

The horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

Measure Me, Sky

text by Leonora Speyer music by James Quitman Mulholland edited by Henry Leck

The First-Born Light

The Maker's hand flung stars across the night with angels bursting forth from galaxies new music singing from the spheres in harmonies that blessed the dancing of the first-born light.

And then the light was darkened by an earth dimmed by torn dreams, darkened by shrill pride.
Stars faded, lost their story, and died.
The dance distorted in strange lies and anger.
Love's hand again was lifted. In a manger
Again the Maker of the stars gave birth.

Into the Darkest Hour

It was a time like this
War & tumult of war
a horror in the air.
Hungry yawned the abyssand yet there came the star
and the child most wonderfully there.

It was a time like this of fear & lust for power, license & greed and blightand yet the Prince of bliss came into the darkest hour in quiet & silent light.

And in a time like this how celebrate his birth when all things fall apart? Ah! wonderful it is with no room on the earth the stable is our heart.

Love's Incarnate Birth

Observe and contemplate.

Make real. Bring to be.

Because we note the falling tree
The sound is truly heard.

Look! The sunrise! WaitIt needs us to look, to see,
To hear, and speak the Word.

Observe and contemplate
The cosmos and our little earth.
Observing, we affirm the worth
Of suns and stars and light unfurled.
So, let us seeing, celebrate
The glory of Love's incarnate birth
And sing its joy to all the world.

Observe and contemplate.

Make real. Affirm. Say Yes,
And in this season sing and bless
Wind, ice, snow; rabbit and bird;
Comet and quark; things small and great.
Oh, observe and joyfully confess
The birth of Love's most lovely Word.

CONCERT CHOIR CHAMBER ENSEMBLE:

Lauren Kapraun, Sarah Siemer, Annie Sturtewagen, Mary Claire Zurowski, *soprano*; Kiley Currier. Aly Blakewell, Sarah Caputo, Melody Sylvester, Francoise Widmaier, *alto*; John Papandrea, Phil Dempsey, Adam Schumacher, Cory Schreiner, *tenor*; Ian Lundquist, Dan Petersen. Brad Bauman, *bass*. Sung in Spanish. Translation:

Tree of the lonely soul, wide opening of the riverside- now you will be able to say: here slept Cataclaro. With the whistle and the sting of the twisting wind, the dappled and violet dusk, quietly entered the corral. The night, tired mare, shakes her mane and black tail above the riverside; and, in its silence, your ghostly heart is filled with awe.

Concert Choir

Otche Nash

Nikolai Golovanov (1891-1953)

-Mark Grizzard

Trevor Mason, contrabass

Sung in Russian. Translation:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us out debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us form the Evil One. (from the Divine liturgy)

Winter Song Mark Grizzard

I. The First-Born Light

II. Into the Darkest Hour

Kristin Szwajka, soprano soloist

III. Love's Incarnate Birth

PROGRAM NOTES

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from Porgy and Bess

Summertime

text by DuBose Heyward music by George Gershwin arranged by Mark Hayes

My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord

Traditional Spiritual arranged by Moses Hogan adapted by Rollo Dilworth

**Thanks to Dr. Cindy Ropp for loaning the percussion instruments for this song.

Concert Choir

Mundi Renovatio

György Orbán (born1947)

Sung in Latin. Translation:

The fire dances nimbly and the air swirls, the fluent water flows, the stable earth remains, light things seek the heights, heavy things hold to the center all things are renewed! The sky is made more serene and the sea more tranquil, the wind blows more calmly, our valley becomes verdant, flowering in green warmth. The renovation of the world, new joys will be at hand! The elements are obedient to the resurrection of the Lord and aware of their creator, how great his power is.

Brazilian Psalm

Jean Berger (1909-2002)

Eric Rehm, tenor soloist

Sung in Portugese. Translation:

Almighty, The Book has told me. O praise ye the Lord in His holy temple: within the firmament of His great power. O praise Him for his mighty virtues: O praise Him in view of the extent of His noble greatness. O praise Him with blowing of trumpets: with the psaltery and sounding harp. With timbrel and the dance, O praise Him: with viols and with organs. O praise Him with cymbals loud resounding: O praise Him with cymbals ringing joyously. Everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Alleluia! O Lord, cymbals and the sounding harp I do not have, but I will make a fair procession for you, O blessed Lord. A fine novena for your Son, the Holy Infant, litanies for the mother of God. O Lord, accept them I implore you: it is Abel who presents them. I will make a fair procession for you, O blessed Lord. Alleluia, O Lord.

Concert Choir Chamber Ensemble

Mata del Anima Sola

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