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Illinois State University  
Normal, Illinois U.S.A.

## *Concert Choir*

Dr. James E. Major, *Director*

*and*

## *Trumpet Ensemble*

Dr. Amy Gilreath Major, *Director*

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1997 CENTRAL EUROPEAN TOUR

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May 12-22, 1997

*Dachau, Germany*  
*Salzburg, Austria*  
*Weer, Austria*  
*Vienna, Austria*  
*Budapest, Hungary*

**Program**

*Selected from the following:*

**Trumpet Ensemble**

Dr. Amy Gilreath Major, *Conducting*

The Canterbury Flourish

Gordon Jacob

Canzon

Samuel Scheidt  
(1587-1654)

**Concert Choir**

Dr. James Major, *Conducting*

O Be Joyful In The Lord (from THREE PSALMS)

Edwin Fissinger  
(1920-1990)

O Vos Omnes

Pablo Casals  
(1876-1973)

Jubilate Deo

László Halmos  
(born 1909)

Lamb Of God (Agnus Dei)

F. Melius Christiansen  
(1871-1955)

Heilig (Holy)

Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809-1847)

Ave Maria

Franz Biebl

**Trumpet Ensemble**

Dr. Amy Gilreath Major, *Conducting*

Canonical Trilogy (Second Movement: Lento)

Fisher Tull

Jesu, Joy Of Man's Desiring

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)  
arr. Richard Thurston

Toccata

Georg Philipp Telemann  
(1681-1767)

**Concert Choir**

Dr. James Major, *Conducting*

Set Me As A Seal

René Clausen  
(born 1949)

This We Know (Text by Chief Seattle)

Ron Jeffers

Érik A Som (The Cherries Ripen)

Lajos Bárdos  
(1899-1986)

Danny Boy

arr. Joseph Flummerfelt

Let Me Fly (spiritual)

Steve Wallace, *Tenor Soloist*  
arr. by Robert DeCormier

The Lily Of The Valley

arr. Wendell Whalum  
(1931-1994)

Elijah Rock (spiritual)

Moses Hogan  
(born 1957)

**Concert Choir and Trumpet Ensemble**

Dr. Amy Gilreath Major, *Conducting*

Jubilate Deo

Giovanni Gabrieli  
(1557-1612)

## ABOUT THE ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY

Illinois State University is located in Bloomington/Normal, twin cities with a population of approximately 100,000. The University enrolls 20,000 students. The twin cities support a professional symphony orchestra, two professional theaters, a ballet society, a professional choral ensemble, community band, and several excellent art galleries.

The Music Department of Illinois State University is a member-institution of the National Association of Schools of Music. One of three departments within the College of Fine Arts, the Department enrolls approximately 300 undergraduate and graduate students and employs 40 full-time faculty. Bachelor Degrees are offered in Performance, Education, Therapy and Theory/Composition and the Department offers Master of Music Sequences in Performance (including Conducting), Therapy, Theory/Composition and Master of Music Education.

Along with the Concert Choir and Trumpet Ensemble, the Department houses the Madrigal Singers, which produce annual Madrigal Dinners in December, Encore! (a vocal jazz ensemble), Treble Choir, and University Choir, a Symphony and Chamber Orchestra and several band ensembles including, Marching Band, Wind Symphony, Chamber Winds, Symphonic Band, Circus Band, and Pep Band. There are approximately 200 performances and concerts within the department each academic year. In the Fall of 2000, the College of Fine Arts will open a new Performing Arts Center that will house a state-of-the-art 1000 seat Concert Hall and 500 seat Theater.

For nearly half a century the Concert Choir has maintained the highest standards of choral art, receiving acclaim throughout Illinois and the Midwest. The Concert Choir performs four concerts during the academic year in addition to touring regularly and performing at state and regional music and educational conferences including the American Choral Directors Association Convention. Its repertoire encompasses the entire spectrum of choral literature.

The Trumpet Ensemble consists of students studying trumpet at Illinois State University, performing in at least two concerts each year. They were chosen to perform at the International Trumpet Guild Conference held at the University of Illinois in 1994. The ensemble is conducted by Dr. Gilreath.

## ABOUT THE CONDUCTORS

**Dr. Amy Gilreath Major** is Associate Professor of Trumpet at Illinois State University. She is a member of the Illinois State University Faculty Brass Quintet, principal trumpet in the Peoria Symphony, and a member of the quintet Velvet Brass with Susan Slaughter (principal trumpet of the St. Louis Symphony). Dr. Gilreath was recently honored by being selected to perform with accomplished, women brass performers from Europe and North America in a newly formed ensemble, Monarch Brass. They gave a concert tour of the midwest United States in July of 1996. Dr. Gilreath holds D.M.A. and M.M. degrees in Trumpet Performance from the University of Illinois. In 1996, Dr. Gilreath was honored by the Illinois State University Music Department and College of Fine Arts as the recipient of their Outstanding Teacher Award. In 1994 she was honored by the Illinois State University Music Department students as Teacher of the Year. She was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the International Trumpet Guild.

**Dr. James Major** is the Director of Choral Activities at Illinois State University. Dr. Major's duties include serving as conductor of Madrigal Singers, Concert Choir, and Civic Chorale. He also teaches conducting at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Dr. Major is an emeritus professor from The Ohio State University where he was on the choral and music education faculty for twenty-one years. His Ph.D. is from the University of Wisconsin and his M.A. is from the University of Iowa. He is active as a guest conductor, clinician, and author. Dr. Major recently conducted ISU's combined choirs and Symphony Orchestra in performances of Brahms' *Ein deutsches Requiem* and Schubert's *Mass in E-Flat*. In both 1996 and 1997, Dr. Major was honored by the students in the Illinois State University Music Department as the Teacher of the Year.

## **Concert Choir**

Dr. James Major, *Director*

Jerry Myers, *Administrative Assistant*

Shawn Degenhart, *Rehearsal Accompanist*

Nathan Edwards, *Administrative Assistant*

Samantha Hammer, *Graduate Assistant*

### **Soprano**

Christine Bookwalter

Rachel Devitt

Stacy Hunt \*

Molly Jones

Leslie Pomykala

Erin Schneider

Amanda Stroud \*

Robin Teske

Sara Tresenriter

Sondra Trumble

Amy Turner \*

### **Tenor**

Brad Cummings

Nathan Edwards \*

Josh Lewis

Jeremy Painter

Steve Peter

Kristopher Schave

Steve Wallace \*

### **Alto**

Tina Buckley

Mary Bulley

Amy Butters \*

Lindy Daniels

Samantha Hammer \*

Karen Harpel

Tori Hicks

Krista Koske

Kris Ragonese

Ragen Sanner

Karen Tucka \*

### **Bass**

Tony Barton

Ben Cubberly \*

Shawn Degenhart \*

Jerry Myers \*

Shawn Neely

Eric Pingel

Chris Thilk

*\* are soloist/ensemble members for Ave Maria by Biebl*

### **Trumpet Ensemble**

Dr. Amy Gilreath Major, *Director*

Allen Legutki, *Student Assistant*

Sarah Bennett

Peggy Canopy

Ben Funk

Allen Legutki

Ben Linkon

Eric Pingel

Roar Schaad

Brian Weidner

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