KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Choral Ensembles

"Celtic and English Traditions"

Leslie J. Blackwell, Conductor Sherri N. Barrett, Accompanist



Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 8 pm Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center, Morgan Hall Forty-third Concert of the 2017-18 Concert Season



## UNIVERSITY CHORALE

## JOHN FARMER (1570–1601) Two English Madrigals

## Fair Phyllis I Saw

Fair Phyllis I saw sitting all alone Feeding her flock near to the mountain side. The shepherds knew not, They knew not whither she was gone, But after her lover Amyntas hied, Up and down he wandered Whilst she was missing; When he found her, O then they fell a-kissing

## THOMAS MORLEY (1577–1603) April is in My Mistress Face

April is in my mistress face, And July in her eyes hath place; Within her bosom is September, But in her heart a cold December.

J. DAVID MOORE (b. 1962) Traditional Irish Jigs



## **CHAMBERS SINGERS**

## **Кто, волны, вас остановил** Музыка И. МЕЛЬНИКА lon Melnik Сдоba А. Пушкина

Кто, волны, вас остановил, Кто оковал ваш бег могучий, Кто в пруд безмолвный и дремучий Поток мятежный обратил? Чей жезл волшебный поразил Во мне надежду, скорбь и радость И душу бурную и младость Дремотой лени усыпил? Взыграйте, ветры, взройте воды, Разрушьте гибельный оплот. Где ты, гроза — символ свободы?

Промчись поверх невольных вод.

Who, waves, you stopped, Who bound your running might, Who to the pond silent and dense

The flow of rebellious drew? Whose baton struck magic in me the hope, grief and joy and soul turbulent and young slumber of laziness lulled? Play, winds, the nurse of the water Destroy the disastrous bulwark! Where are you, a storm - a symbol of freedom? Will rush over involuntary treatment.

#### НАД ХАТЫНЬЮ КОЛОКОЛА

*Above the Katyn Bells* Музыка И. МЕЛЬНИКА Ion Melnik / words by I. Tokmakovoy

Ветер сладко пахнет гречихой, The wind smells sweet like buckwheat, Ветер горкько пахнет полынью. The wind smells bitterly of wormwood. Ты не думай, что в мире тихо. Do not think that the world is quiet. Слышишь звон перезвон над Do you hear the ringing of the chime Хатынью? above Katyn? В небе стаи парили крылаты, Вился белый дымок над хатой,

Просыхали хлеба на гумне,

Ночью травы шептали во сне,

Нам во сне.

И протяжно девушки пели, и тихонько колодцы скрипели. Тихо пели.

И горька да горька полынь. Что случилось с тобою Хатынь? Больше хлеба нет на гумне.

Вся Хатынь, Вся деревня, в огне Больше хлеба нет хлеба нет. Крик до неба детский плач. Сжег деревню фашисткий палач.

Звон, перезвон, перезвон, перезвон.

Только песня она не мертвфа. Зелена как и прежде трава. Только жизнь не сожжешь дотла. Над Хатынью Колокола. Бом, Бом, Бом. There was a white smoke above the hut, The bread in the threshing floor was drying up, At night, the grass whispered dreamily, To us, as in a dream. And the girls sang slowly, and the wells creaked softly. They sang softly, And the ever bitter wormwood. What happened to you Katyn? More bread is not on the threshing floor.

In the sky, flocks hovered on wing,

All Katyn, the whole village, is on fire There is no bread, there is no bread. A scream to the sky, a childish cry. The village was burnt by a fascist executioner.

A ringing, a chime, a chime, a chime.

Only the song is not dead. Green as before is the grass. Only life you can not eternally burn. Above the Katyn Bells. Bom, Bom, Bom, Bom.



## MEN'S ENSEMBLE

## MICHAEL HANAWALT (b. 1977) Loch Lomond

By yon bonnie banks and yon bonnie braes Where the sun shines bright on Loch Lomond. Where me an' my true love were ever wont to gae, On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomond. Oh, ye'll tak' the high road an' I'll tak' the low road, An' I'll be in Scotland afore ye; But me an' my true love will never meet again, On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomond.

We'll meet where we parted in yon shady glen, On the steep, steep side o' Ben Lomond, Where in deep purple hue the Highland hills we view, And the moon looks out frae the gloamin'.

Oh, ye'll tak' the high road an' I'll tak' the low road, An' I'll be in Scotland afore ye; But me an' my true love will never meet again, On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomond.

The wee birdies sing and the wild flowers spring, An' in sunshine the waters are sleepin'; But the broken heart in kens nae second spring again, Tho' the waefu' may cease frae their greetin'.

Oh, ye'll tak' the high road an' I'll tak' the low road, An' I'll be in Scotland afore ye; But me an' my true love will never meet again, On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomond.

## MICHAEL MCGLYNN (b. 1964) Dúlaman

Cody O'Shea, soloist

Oh gentle daughter, here come the wooing men
Oh gentle mother, put the wheels in motion for me
Seaweed, seaweed, seaweed of the
yellow peaks
Gaelic seaweed of the yellow peaks
Seaweed, seaweed, seaweed of the
ocean
Gaelic seaweed of the yellow peaks

Rachaimid go Doire leis an dúlamán	I would go to Dore with the Gaelic
gaelach	seaweed
Is ceannóimid bróga daora ar an	"I would buy expensive shoes" said
dúlamán gaelach	the Gaelic seaweed
Bróga breaca dubha ar an dúlamán	The Gaelic seaweed has beautiful
gaelach	black shoes
Tá bearéad agus triús ar an dúlamán	The Gaelic seaweed has a beret and
gaelach	trousers
Dúlaman na binne buí dúlaman na	Seaweed of the yellow peaks
binne buí Gaelach	Gaelic seaweed of the yellow peaks
Dúlaman na binne buí Dúlaman na	Seaweed of the yellow peaks
binne buí Gaelach	Gaelic seaweed of the yellow peaks
A'níon mhín ó, sin anall na fir	Oh gentle daughter, here come the
shúirí	wooing men
A mháithair mhín ó, cuir na roithléan	Oh gentle mother, put the wheels in
go dtí mé	motion for me
Tá ceann buí óir ar an dúlamán	There is a yellow gold head on the
gaelach	Gaelic seaweed
Tá dhá chluais mhaol ar an dúlamán	There are two blunt ears on the
Gaelach	Gaelic seaweed

## MICHAEL MCGLYNN The Maid of Coolmore

From sweet Londonderry to fair London town There is no better harbour on this coast can be found Where the children do wander as they play along the shore And the joy bells are ringing for the maid of Coolmore.

The first time that I met her, she passed me by. The next time that I saw her, she bid me goodbye But the third time I met her, she grieved my heart sore For she sailed down Lough Foyle and away from Coolmore.

If I had the power, a great storm to rise The wind to blow high and the seas for to roar The wind to blow high and to darken the skies The day that my true love sailed away from Coolmore. To the north coast of America my love I'll go see, It is there I know no one and no one knows me. But if I do not find her I'll return home no more Like a pilgrim I'll wander for the maid of Coolmore.

## MICHAEL MCGLYNN Ceann Dubh Dílis

Christopher Bowers, percussion

A chinn duibh dhílis dhílis dhílis cuir do lámh mhín gheal tharam anall A bhéinlín meala, 'bhfuil boladh na tíme air is duine gan chroí nach dtabharfadh duit grá

Tá cailín' ar an mbaile seo'ar buile 's ar buaireamh ag tarraingt a ngruaige 'sá ligean le gaoith Ar mo shonsa, an scafaire is fearr ins na tuatha ach do thréigfinn an méid sin ar rún dil mo chroí

Is cuir do cheann dílis dílis dílis cuir do cheann dílis tharam anall A bhéinlín meala, 'bhfuil boladh na tíme air is duine gan chroí nach dtabharfadh duit grá My sweet, sweet, sweet dark-haired love put your pale, soft hand around me now Mouth of honey, that has the smell of thyme, it is a heartless man that would not love you.

The girls of this town are furious pulling their hair and letting it blow in the wind For me, the best man in the countryside, but I would dump them all for my

heart's love.

Lay your sweet, sweet, sweet head, lay your sweet head on me. Mouth of honey, that has the smell of thyme, it is a heartless man that would not love you.



#### UNIVERSITY CHORALE

#### SOPRANO

Tori Anderson **Daneel Bennett** Colby Blick Lauryn Davis Xandy Edwards Lily Ko Claire Livingston Sierra Manson Kayla Marks Tatyana Popovych Emma Raboine Marielle Reed Lindsey Sanders Janelle Schultz Sarah Seippel Elizabeth Shaver Sarah Shiver Hannah Smith Allie Szatmary Talbot Tindall-Balch Chloe Turner Naomi Williams

## ALTO

Simona Cofrancesco Joi Crump Ashlyn Dewberry Lauren Faulkner Talia Gallagher Aislinn Gastiaburo Allis Gilstrap Alejandra Hillier Joey Jacques Deanna Johnson Becky Medina Hannah Norton Lulu Pearce

#### TENOR

Matthew Boatwright Matthew Burley Jesse Cook Connor Finton Dylan Peltonen Jacob Stewart Michael Stewart

#### BASS

Miles Clayton Michael Eggert Dean Emert Blake Emmons Andrew Hughes David Maulding Steven Mayo Colin McGarr Benjamin Miller Kenan Mitchell Kyle Robinson

#### MEN'S ENSEMBLE

#### TENOR 1

Brandon Cali Anthony Morris Jeremiah Robinson Travis St. Dic Caleb Stack Alex Turner Jared Weatherford

#### **TENOR 2**

Matthew Boatwright Connor Finton Gregor Haas Taylor Hall Tyler Lane Dylan Peltonen Joss Stark Jacob Stewart Michael Stewart

#### BARITONE

Andrew Bland Riley Carson Will Garret Jack Grisham Cody O'Shea Michael Risacher Kyle Robinson Jeremy Valore

#### BASS

Marcel Benoit III Jacob Chalk-Hildreth Jake Drukman Patrick Dudley Abisai Pena Jimmy Roberts Trevor Walker

#### **CHAMBER SINGERS**

#### SOPRANOS

Emma Bryant Mary Allison Hamby Emily Hering Molly Jennings Sierra Manson Claire Pappas Callaway Powlus Nasia Shearod

#### ALTOS

Ashley Hudson Ziara Greene Ericka Palmer Lindsay Peterson Regan Romuno Abigail Snyder

### ALTOS cont.

Macy Swanson Tessa Walker Deondria West

#### TENORS

Brandon Cali Taylor Hall Anthony Morris Jeremiah Robinson Caleb Stack Michael Stewart Jared Weatherford

#### BASS

Marcel Benoit, III Lucas Gray Kevin Loggins Nick O'Neill Cody O'Shea Trevor Walker Matthew Welsh

# biographies

## Accompanist

**S**herri N. Barrett received her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Michigan and her Master's Degree in Piano Performance from the University of Tennessee. She studied with Eugene Mancini from the Cleveland Institute of Music and Arthur Rivituso from the Juilliard School and Paris Conservatory. Ms. Barrett has recorded two solo piano CD's and has been an active soloist, accompanist and adjudicator in the Atlanta area for over 25 years. She has performed in the United States and Europe as soloist, in chamber ensembles and accompanist for various choral groups. She maintains a teaching studio out of which several students have won international piano competitions. She is presently serving as pianist for two Atlanta area churches, and under the baton of Dr. Leslie J. Blackwell, the Kennesaw State University Chamber Singers, Men's Ensemble, and KSU Community and Alumni Choir. Ms. Barrett is a member of the National Music Teachers Association and the International Music Fraternity Delta Omicron.

## Professor of Music and Music Education

eslie J. Blackwell is the Director of Choral Activities and Professor of Music and Music Education at Kennesaw State University where she has directed choral activities since 1998. Dr. Blackwell's duties include conducting the KSU Men's Ensemble, KSU Chorale and KSU Chamber



Singers, as well as teaching advanced choral conducting and literature. A native of Georgia, Blackwell received the Associate of Arts degree from Gordon Junior College (1982), the Bachelor of Music in Music Education from West Georgia College (1984), the Master of Music from Georgia State University (1991), and the Doctor of Musical Arts degree, University of Kentucky (2002).

Choirs under Dr. Blackwell's direction have performed at National, Regional, and State conferences of the American Choral Directors Association, as well as numerous Georgia Music Educators Association State Conventions.

In 2010, Dr. Blackwell presented *Songs of South America* for the American Choral Directors Association with the KSU Chamber Singers, featuring music of South America based upon her choral research and work in Argentina. In October 2013, the KSU Chamber Singers were selected to perform at the National Collegiate Choral Organization 5th National Conference.

Recognized for her work with men's voices, Dr. Blackwell served six seasons as the Artistic Director of the Atlanta Gay Men's Chorus, established the annual KSU Male Chorus Day at Kennesaw State University, bringing upwards of 200 high school male students to campus, conducted the 2013 Georgia All State Men's Chorus, 2016 Alabama All State Men's Chorus, and 2017 Tennessee All State Men's Chorus. Under Dr. Blackwell's direction the KSU Men's Ensemble, a non-auditioned ensemble, has achieved prestigiousaccomplishments on a State, Regional, and National stage.

Influential musicians with whom Dr. Blackwell has worked are Robert Shaw, Ann Howard-Jones, Yoel Levi, Norma Raybon, John Haberlen, David Maslanka, Ola Gjeilo, Ethan Sperry, Brian Schmidt and Jefferson Johnson. She also serves as the Repertoire and Standards Chair for Men's Choirs, Georgia ACDA. Currently, Dr. Blackwell is the Artistic Director and Founding Director of the Kennesaw State University Community & Alumni Choir.



# about the school of music



Welcome to the Bailey Performance Center!

The School of Music at Kennesaw State University is an exciting place! We have a wonderful slate of performances planned for this year's Signature Series, and if you have not yet purchased your season tickets, I encourage you to do so as soon as possible. The Atlanta Symphony returns again this year as well as a wonderful slate of other performances.

The Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center is celebrating its 10th Anniversary Season this year. When this building opened in October of 2007, it was transformational for the School of Music and for KSU! It continues to be a jewel in our crown and musicians from around the world love to perform here because of the wonderful acoustic properties of Morgan Hall.

We would love to have you join us the weekend of October 7th-8th. We will have an alumni recital on the 7th and a grand celebration Sunday afternoon October 8th, with full choir and orchestra to celebrate all this Center has meant to us these past 10 years! In honor of the Bailey 10th Anniversary, we will officially launch our Name a Seat Campaign during our celebration in October. What a wonderful way to honor a loved one or to provide for future programming for Morgan Hall.

I look forward to a long and rewarding relationship with you. With your continued support of music and the arts, I look forward to all that we will accomplish together!

Sterlin W. Dede

Stephen W. Plate, DMA Director, KSU School of Music

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