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# KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Women's Choir with Ford Elementary Chorus

"Invitation to Love"

Alison Mann, Conductor Craig Hurley, Conductor Brenda Brent, Piano



Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 8 pm Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center, Morgan Hall Forty-seventh Concert of the 2017-18 Concert Season

# program

# "Invitation to Love"

MARK HIERHOLZER *Circle 'Round the Moon* from *Reflections of Youth* 

### JAMES DESJARDINS Winter Dream

Will Myers, violin

## arr. JOHN HIGGINS *Kalinka*

Will Myers, violin

### FORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHORUS

KIM ANDRE ARNESEN (b. 1980) *Fecit potentiam* from *The Magnificat* 

Ayana Thomas, soprano

MARQUES L. A. GARRETT (b. 1984) Invitation to Love

JOAN SZYMKO (b. 1957) *Fire, Burn Bright* 

SARAH QUARTEL (b. 1982) Sister Song

### KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CHOIR

arr. VICTOR JOHNSON Bonse Aba

Caty Mae Loomis, percussion

**COMBINED CHOIRS** 

# program notes

## Fecit potentiam | Kim Andre Arnesen

Kim André Arnesen is a Norwegian composer known for his choral compositions, both a cappella, accompanied by piano or organ, and large-scale works for chorus and orchestra. His first CD album *Magnificat* was nominated for GRAMMY Awards 2016 in the category "Best Surround Sound Album." His women's choir selection "Cradle Hymn," was a part of the regional Emmy Prize winning show *Christmas in Norway* performed by the choirs of St. Olaf College. Arnesen is an elected member of the Norwegian Society of Composers.

## Fire, Burn Bright | Joan Szymko

Joan Szymko is an American choral conductor, music educator and composer. She currently resides in Seattle, Washington, where she directs the Aurora Chorus and Viriditas, a professional women's choir.

## Sister Song | Sarah Quartel

Canadian composer and educator Sarah Quartel is known for her fresh and exciting approach to the choral experience. Sarah celebrates the musical potential of all learners by providing singers access to high quality repertoire and engaging music education. Her works are performed throughout the world and her curriculum documents are used to connect the excitement of choral festivals with meaningful classroom learning.



### Fecit potentiam

Fecit potentiam in brachio suo: dispersit superbos mente cordis sui. Deposuit potentes de sede:

et exaltavit humiles.

He hath shown might in His arm: He hath scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart. He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble.

#### Bonse Aba

Bonse aba mu pokelela Bali pele maka Akuba bana Kuba Bana Kuba Bana Bakwa Lesa. All people who accept His authority Are his children Are children Are children In the power of God.

# ford elementary chorus

Layla Adija Abagail Amos Carter Ayers Josie Baldwin Claire Benore Jenna Bishop Luke Bleazard Katie Burklow Kate Cepress Olivia Coker Bryson Cole Mya Cooper Katherine Cowart Reese Davis Eva Delgado Maddie Delgado Danielle Ferguson Claire Foster Emmaline Gaylord Tori Glover Joshua Harden Lucas Harper

Olivia Hayes Brooke Henderson Marianne Hill Clay Horne Sarah Houston Taylor Hudson Nathan Iles Trinity Itsede Kennedy Johnson Leena Joonsar Olivia Kalra Caroline Kelley Chloe Kelly Ava Raye Knight Heiress Kokavi Amelia Kornitsky Emmaline Krogh Anslee Larsen Hanna Little Molly Macri Rhiley Maisano Katie McCreary

Molly Mings Isabella Mudgett Jada Newman Avery North Caitlin Padgett Avana Paramore Hannah Pasanen Amelia Pavton Adeline Plummer Maggie Raines Pevton Reeves Hayley Roach Ireland Rodgers Lauren Rogers Hannah Saladyga Greysen Smith Cole Stevenson Henni Szente Noah Templin Rhaya Varner Chase Watkins Nicolette Yeomans



#### SOPRANO 1

Karen Couvillon Megan Crosby Hannah Elliott Ashley Hudson Claire Livingston Kaitlin Maginnis Anne Michalove Lindsey Sanders Elizabeth Shaver Tyler Storey

#### **SOPRANO 2**

Daneel Bennett Colby Blick Taylor Campbell Caty Mae Loomis Crystal Maldonado Kayla Marks Madeline Meinert Marielle Reed

#### SOPRANO 2 (cont.)

Regan Romuno Nasia Shearod Teresa Sheppard Ayana Thomas Madelyne Watkins Niccole Winney

#### ALTO 1

Emma Calhoun Rebekah Clegg Lauren Faulkner Talia Gallagher Aislinn Gastiaburo Ziara Greene Faith Hortenstine Becky Medina Ericka Palmer April Schlinkert Heather Towhey Graciela Vera ALTO 2 Savana Chapman Allie Hillier Emma Kirwin Deborah Matthew Sarah McPherson Hannah Norton Katherine Thomas

# the conductors

**raig Hurley** is the music specialist at Ford Elementary School in Cobb County, Georgia. In 2009, he served as a writer for the Georgia Performance Standards for Elementary General Music. He has presented sessions at the Music Educators Association in-service conferences for Georgia, Florida, and Alabama as well as other various teacher organizations. Under his direction, the Ford Elementary Chorus performed at the GMEA In-Service Conference in 2015. Mr. Hurley has supervised several student teachers throughout the years and was honored as Teacher of the Year in 2002 and 2016.

Mr. Hurley is also the conductor of the Spivey Hall Young Artists, the preparatory choir of the nationally renowned Spivey Hall Children's Choir (www.spiveyhallchildrenschoir.org). The Spivey Hall Young Artists will perform this January for the 2018 GMEA In-Service Conference. Mr. Hurley has served as a guest clinician for honor choirs throughout the state including the 2015 Georgia ACDA Children's Honor Choir.

Mr. Hurley holds a Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Shorter College and a Master of Early Childhood Education from Berry College and is currently a music education doctoral student at the University of Georgia.

**Iison Mann** is Associate Professor of Choral Music Education and Program Coordinator for Music Education at Kennesaw State University, where she teaches coursework in Choral Methods, Advanced Choral Conducting and Literature, Foundations of Music Education, and Vocal Pedagogy for Ensemble Singing. Mann also supervises student teachers, coordinates edTPA, and serves as Conductor of the KSU Women's Choir. Additionally, she is a founding singer and personnel manager for Atlanta based professional chamber choir, *Coro Vocati.* 

A native of Florida, Mann taught in the Orlando public schools as Director of Choral Activities at William R. Boone High School and was also the assistant conductor of the Orlando Chorale. While in Orlando, choirs and soloists under her direction received top honors at the district and state levels.

Dr. Mann received her Ph.D. in Music Education and Choral Conducting from the University of Oregon, and a Masters of Choral Music Education and Bachelors of Choral Music Education from Florida State University. Dr. Mann has studied conducting and music education with André Thomas, Kevin Fenton, Sharon J. Paul, and Judy Bowers. Dr. Mann is currently the Southern Division ACDA Women's Choir Repertoire and Standards



chair, and the Georgia state ACDA Membership Chair. She serves on the executive planning committee for the Southern Division American Choral Directors Association. Additionally, Mann has served as the ACDA Multicultural and Ethics Repertoire and Standards Chair for the states of Georgia and Oregon and the Georgia Women's Choir Repertoire and Standards Chair.

The KSU Women's Choir has performed on numerous occasions with the KSU Symphony Orchestra, and performed the world premiere of Nico Muhly's composition, "How Soon" with Grammy award-winning

ensemble, *eighth blackbird*. Additionally, they have participated in the ACDA Women's Choir Consortium and premiered new works for the past five seasons. In 2014, they were selected to perform at the GMEA In-Service Conference in Savannah. Her professional affiliations include the American Choral Directors Association, National Association for Music Education, Georgia Music Educators Association, National Collegiate Choral Organization, and the International Society for Music Education. Her research has been presented at the state, regional, and international levels. Dr. Mann is an active conductor, clinician, and adjudicator, and has conducted state ACDA honor choir, and All State choruses in multiple states.

# 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!

Stephen W. Plate

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

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