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Groups Will Perform an Array of Numbers Including a Variety of International Tunes

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – The Gardner-Webb Performing and Visual Arts Department presents a Choir, Chorale and Handbells Concert with an international flavor on Tuesday, March 4 at 8 p.m., in the Dover Theatre, located in the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center (LYCC).

The Handbell group will be the first on stage performing several numbers including one called ‘Ring A Silly Song.’ “It will feature techniques that you wouldn’t expect from a handbells group,” said Dr. Paul Etter, Director of Choral Activities at GWU.

The Chorale group will be next on stage and will present a quartet of songs to the audience. Dr. Matt Whitfield, GWU professor of music and director of the Symphonic Band, will join them for one number in which the group sings in Hebrew. The final group of the night will be the Choir which will perform a variety of songs, including a classic American number, a spiritual number, an Appalachian tune, plus an international array of songs in Russian, German, Italian and more.

Later this month, the Choir will be heading to Costa Rica during Spring Break where they will be performing at several locations, but mainly churches. Etter believes in ministering to others in song, especially the songs in English.

“Most of the songs they will perform is music that has been tailored for our upcoming spring break trip to Costa Rica,” said Etter. “The choir will also sing an amazing arrangement of Amazing Grace.”

The concert is free and open to the public with an optional donation to support the music program. For more information on this concert, call 704-406-3992.

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