

Presents

Silver Memories
Our 25th
Anniversary
Holiday Concert

St. Martin's Lutheran Church 606 W 15th St Austin, TX 78701

Saturday, December 7, 2013 7:30 PM

Sunday, December 8, 2013 3:00 PM





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In appreciation of their efforts in the organization and establishment of the CCMC, we recognize the following members of the founding committee: Rodney Strickland Jr., Chairman; Richard Bates, Matthew Hayes, Don Kennedy, Jonathan Riley, David Weigle, and Chuck Wendling.

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Bob Wolff, Assistant Director

Karl Logue, Principal accompanist and composer in residence

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The Artistic Director and the CCMC Board of Directors wish to express their appreciation to the following individuals:

Karl Logue Ricky Ashcraft Jorge Ibarra Jimmy Hickey Murray Sexton

A word from the CCMC President

Welcome to Silver Memories, the Holiday concert of our 25th Anniversary Season. The Holiday concert is one of my favorites, not only because we sing some of my favorite music but also because we strive to sing music from many traditions. In my 17 years with the chorus we have performed a wide variety of music. This is in keeping with the chorus' tradition of inclusiveness. We strive to be an inclusive organization by singing a wide variety of music, by accepting members with a range of musical experience and accepting members who are gay, straight and transgender.

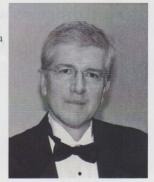
This time of year can be both reflective and joyous. As this is our 25th season we have been reflecting and celebrating the many years of the Capital City Men's Chorus. The chorus was formed in the fall of 1989 with 16 members. We are honored to have with us for this concert, the founding director of the chorus, David Weigle. In the 25 years of the chorus we have only had three Artistic Directors: David Weigle, Malcolm Nelson and Jeffrey Jones-Ragona. Unfortunately Malcolm Nelson was not able to be with us for this concert. We are very fortunate to have two of the 16 original members still with the chorus: our Archivist, Peter Maxson and our principal accompanist, Karl Logue. Peter's work as archivist has been fundamental in helping us appreciate where the chorus has been and what it has done. If there is one person who has been the backbone of the chorus, it is Karl. He has never missed a performance in 25 years. His talent as a pianist, composer and supporter of the chorus is invaluable. In this concert we celebrate and honor Karl's contribution to the chorus. If Karl is the backbone of the chorus then our current Artistic Director, Jeffrey Jones-Ragona, is the heart of the chorus. Jeffrey's dedication, vision and leadership have made the chorus what it is today, an organization that I am very proud to say I am a member of. There are so many more people than I can mention here, who have made and continue to make important contributions to the chorus. We celebrate you this season.

Our first major Holiday concert was in December 1990. At that concert we collected toys for Operation Blue Santa. In keeping with our tradition of giving back to our community, at this concert we are collecting toys and gift cards for Glenn Eaddy's toy drive and the folks at Project Transitions, to make sure that all of the children in Central Texas, who are living with the effects of HIV/AIDS have a memorable Christmas. These toys will be distributed to over 100 children, in the care of the following participating agencies: Project Transitions, AIDS Services of Austin, Community Action of San Marcos, Wright Wellness Center, and the City of Austin HIV Program. We would be honored if you would help us with this.

Also in keeping with our tradition of giving back to the community, we were honored to be a part of the community chorus in the "It Gets Better" performance last September at the Long Center. The It Gets Better Project's mission is to communicate to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth around the world that it gets better, and to create and inspire the changes needed to make it better for them. It was an emotional performance that we will not forget.

Each time we take the stage, or hold a rehearsal, or participate in a community activity, we strive to create a safe and inclusive environment that inspires and supports all those involved. Thank you for being here and supporting the chorus. Your support is and has been vital to keep the chorus going for 25 years. We hope you will continue to support us so we can have many more milestone celebrations.

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year, David Nielsen President - Capital City Men's Chorus



Capital City Men's Chorus Members

TENOR I

Abe Alvarez
Don Denham
Paul Halstead
Richard Henry
Jorge Ibarra
Tim Keating
Carl Kleinebecker
* Jason Kutac
John Lopez
Steven Self
Max Tinsley

TENOR II

Jack Blackman Daniel Brookshire Charly Castle Dan Christensen Garret Cordes Jim Edwards Jimmy Hickey Jonathan Kelly Peter Maxson Javy Sanchez Gerald Scott * Murray Sexton Andy Steffen Jason Theilengerdes Don Vida Michael Virga Shawn Wheeler

BARITONE

Phillip Adams Gunther Allen Ricky Ashcraft Rich Cybulski Michael Friedman Geoffrey Frost Glen Gabriel A. G. Guzman Peter Haley Daniel Hawkins Reynaldo Hernandez Tony Incalcatera Rafael Jimenez Tim Lee Michael Lucus Marlin McGuire David Nielsen Chris Oakleaf **Jeff Phillips** Glen Russell Paul E. Scott Austen Simien-Young Michael Turner Steve Wild * Bob Wolff

BASS

James Buswold James Gaeta James Heath Evan J. Kelley * Fred Lugo Scott Poppaw The Capital City Men's Chorus is happy to welcome back our founding Artistic Director and Guest Conductor:

David C. Weigle, PhD, MPH, FACHE

I'm having a hard time believing that it's been 25 years since the Capital City Men's Chorus met for its first rehearsal! It was an honor and a privilege to be CCMC's Founding Director, and now, these many years later, I'm very proud that this wonderful chorus is an established part of Austin's musical community as well as one of the longest-standing LGBT organizations in our great city.

I was asked to tell you about myself, so here it is! In the world outside of music I have a PhD in Counseling Psychology, a Masters in Public Health, and another Masters in Education. I am currently the Assistant Dean for Graduate Medical Education at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School where I help oversee approximately 100 physician residency and fellowship training programs in both Dallas and Austin. In addition to my work at UT Southwestern, I also have faculty appointments at the University of

Texas Medical Branch and St. Edward's University.



My forays into the musical world are more limited these days, but I've worked as a church musician for over 40 years. I'm currently organist at the First Baptist Church of Austin—where the congregation recently broke into applause when it was announced that my partner of nearly 18 years and I were married this past September.

CCMC Orchestra

Flute: Barbara Mahler
Oboe: Allison Welch
Clarinet: David Box

Horns: Joel Bright, Monica Martinez

Trumpet: Jeff Missal

Trombone: Stephen Hendrickson

Harp: Delaine Fedson

Harpsichord and Piano: Karl Logue Organ and Piano: Ricky Ashcraft

Percussion: Tina Lake and Graeme Francis

Violin I: Paul Robertson (Concert Master), James

Anderson, Laura Pyle, Tammy Linn

Violin II: Joseph Shuffield (Leader), Roberto Riggio,

Amanda Alexis Buffum, Tabitha Hoxie **Viola:** Sarah Driver, Miranda Steinle

Violoncello: Charles Prewitt, Carolyn Hagler

Contrabass: Ricky Pringle

Production Staff

Stage Manager: Adam Gunderson

House Manager: Karen Horan

Sound: Steve Wager

Music Librarian: Gerald Scott

A note from the Artistic Director

Good evening, and welcome to a momentous occasion: Our Silver Anniversary concert, in one of our earliest concert homes, the sanctuary of St Martin's Lutheran Church. At the end of the decade known as "The Reagan Era," a decade that saw the rise of the Religious Right as a political force, a health crisis that killed thousands of people before the eponymous President even uttered the name of the disease, and an upsurge (one of many to come unfortunately) of violence against LBGT people, sixteen brave men, shepherded by Dr. David Weigle, stood together and performed as the Capital City Men's Chorus for the first time. There had been another Gay chorus in Austin, a mixed chorus called "The Waterloo Singers" which was by then unfortunately defunct, leaving Austin, Texas' liberal Capital, the only major city in our great state without a Gay chorus. After an inspiring performance by the Turtle Creek Chorale, and with help from friends from the Alamo City Men's Chorale in San Antonio, the Capital City Men's Chorus came to life in the fall of 1989. At the time, no one knew how long it might last, or what it might become: a vibrant, long-lived, critically and publicly recognized star in Austin's musical firmament. A community based ensemble which has the broadest repertoire (music from the 8th century thru the music of today, jazz, show tunes, opera choruses, part-songs, folk tunes and points in between) of any choral ensemble in the city, and the most culturally varied (Mexican, South American, Gaelic, and European and Eastern cultures have all been explored over the past 20 years).

Tonight, I am proud to be joined by my colleague, David Weigle, the Founding Director, and our special guest "Maestra for Night" Lupe Garcia, as we offer you an exciting musical evening filled with the musical variety that the CCMC is known for. From the celebrated splendor of *Handel* to the simple, but deeply felt joy of Chanukah songs, from the cool austerity of a Native American carol to the sublime, unaccompanied strains of *O magnum mysterium*, from the unbridled joy of popular seasonal songs to the soaring climaxes of the *Rachmaninoff Concerto*, we promise you an evening of music that will thrill, yet soothe and sustain each listener through the Holiday season.

I have, with your indulgence, two more things to mention: we dedicate our Silver Anniversary performance to the memories of those no longer singing with us, in particular, Brigadier General Virgil Richard, who died late last summer. He was a tireless supporter of the CCMC and was one of the architects of the undoing of the military's DADT policy, which passed into history in Fall of 2011. Peace be unto him.

Finally, my personal, professional, and heartfelt "thanks" to Karl Logue, the CCMC's accompanist, who has been with the Chorus from the moment of its founding, and in 25 years, has never missed a performance. We are very, very lucky to have him, as those of you who have attended our performances in the past already know, and tonight, you will hear the full dimensions of his musical abilities.

Now, please sit back, relax, shed the cares of shopping and planning and scheduling, and let our music take you to a different, better place. It's the least we can do for you, our beloved audience.

Dr. Jeffrey Jones-Ragona

Artistic Director, 1995-present



Lyrics and translations

Who can retell?

(sung in English and Hebrew)

Hark!

In olden days in Israel's ancient land, Maccabeus led the Dfaithful army. All Israel must arise united and Redeem itself through deed and sacrifice. Who can retell?

--Translator unknown

Nër li dakik

(Sung in Hebrew)
These little candles bring joy to the Festival of Lights.

Ocho kandelikas (Flory Jagoda)

(Sung in Ladino)

(Ladino is the language of the Sephardic Jews, spoken mainly in Argentina.)

Wonderful Hanukah is here.

Eight candles for me

One candle, two candles, three candles, four candles, five candles, six candles, seven candles, eight candles for me.

I will eat the little cakes.

with little almonds and honey.

One candle, two candles . . .

I will have many parties

with gladness and pleasure.

One candle, two candles . . .

-- Translated by Paul Provence

O magnum mysterium

(Sung in Latin)

O great mystery, and wondrous sacrament, that animals should see the birth of the Lord, lying in a manger:

Blessed virgin, whose womb was deemed worthy to bear Christ the Lord:

Alleluia!

-- Translated by Dr. Timothy Moore

Deck the Halls (Welsh new Year's sona)

1. Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa la la la la la la la la.

'Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la..

Don we now our gay apparel, Fa la la ...

Troll the ancient Yuletide carol, Fa la ...

2. Fast away the old year passes, Fa la la la la la la la la la la

Hail the new ye lads and lasses, Fa la ...

Sing we joyous altogether, Fa la ...

Heedless of the wind and weather, Fa la la la la la la la la la la

O Christmas Tree (19th c. German)

1. O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree,

How lovely are your branches!

O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree,

How lovely are your branches!

In beauty green will always grow

Through summer sun and winter snow.

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree.

How lovely are your branches!

2. O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree, 2

Your beauty green will teach me

O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree,

Your beauty green will teach me

That hope and love will ever be

The way to joy and peace for me.

O Christmas Tree, O Christmas tree,

Your beauty green will teach me.

-- Translator unknown

Silent night, holy night!

Silent, night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright,

'Round yon virgin, mother and child, Holy infant, so tender and mild.

Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace. (The CCMC continues with vss 2 and 3.)

The Capital City Men's Chorus Presents Silver Memories our 25th Anniversary Holiday Concert

To Singing (George Klawitter and Karl Logue) Jonathan Kelly, soloist

Huron Winter Song

(Native Canadian carol, arranged by Jeffrey Jones-Ragona)

A Chanukah Celebration!

Who can retell (Israeli folk song)

Daniel Brookshire, Tim Keating, soloists

Nër li dakik (Israeli folk song)

Fred Lugo, soloist

Ocho kandelikas (Flory Jagoda)

Tim Keating, Daniel Brookshire, Paul Scott, Fred Lugo, solo quartet Led by special guest Maestra, Lupe Garcia

Jingle Bells (James, Lord Pierpont, arranged by Ray Charles) Led by Bob Wolff

Men of the Fields (Jeffrey Jones-Ragona)

Jorge Ibarra, soloist

"Men of the Fields" is dedicated to the memory of Conrad "Sam" Sansoucy, Virgil Richard, and other friends no longer with us. Peace be unto them.

Excerpts from "Messiah" (George Frederic Handel):
And the glory of the Lord
For unto us a child is born
Hallelujah!

INTERMISSION

O magnum mysterium (Morten Lauridsen)

Silver Bells (Jay Livingston and Ray Evans, arr. Karl Logue)

Full Moon and Empty Arms/Piano Concerto #2 in c-minor, 3rd movement

(Buddy Kaye, Ted Mossman, and Sergei Rachmaninoff)
Soloist: Karl Logue

Karl Logue has served as the CCMC's principal accompanist since its founding in 1989, not having missed a single performance in the entire quarter-century. In addition to providing outstanding accompaniment, he has contributed numerous arrangements and compositions. On this occasion, it seemed fitting to feature him in one of his favorite works, with our own special CCMC accent, the inclusion of a popular song based on the melody of the final movement, "Full Moon and Empty Arms."

The Most Wonderful Time of the Year

(Edie Pola and George Wyle, arr. Hawley Ades)

Carol: Deck the Halls

Please join us in singing, words on p. 9 of your program.

Little Drummer Boy/Peace on Earth (Henry Onorati and Harry Simeone; Buzz Kohnan and Ian Fraser, arr. Bill Bowersock)

Carol: O Christmas Tree

Please join us in singing, words on p. 9 of your program.

One Star in the Night

(Jules Bass and Maury Laws, arr. Jeffrey Jones-Ragona)

Silent Night (Franz Gruber, arr. Robert Hobby)
Please join us in singing verse 1, words on p. 9 of your program.

The Parting Glass (Irish traditional/Sean Davey)
Jorge Ibarra and Paul Scott, soloists

Happy Holidays from The Capital City Men's Chorus!

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Alan McCutcheon

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Daniel Moncivais

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Kelly Patterson

Virgil Richard

Donny Sanchez

Conrad "Sam" Sansoucy

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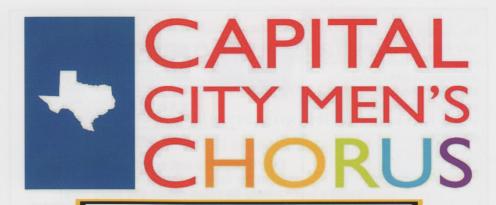
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25th Anniversary Season

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"Curtain Up!" our Silver Anniversary Celebration Concert

May 3, 2014 @ 7:30 pm May 4, 2014 @ 4:00 pm

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