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FORBES CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
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School of Music
presents

~The Polar Express~
Holidayfest 2017

featuring

The JMU Choral Area
The Madison Singers, JMU Chorale, Treble Chamber Choir,
University Men's Chorus, University Women's Chorus
Dr. Jo-Anne van der Vat-Chromy, *Music Director*
Dr. W. Bryce Hayes, *Music Director*

The JMU Symphony Orchestra
Professor Foster Beyers, *Music Director*

Mrs. Mary Ann Alger and Mrs. Gail Fox, *Narrators*

Saturday, December 2, 2017, 8 pm
Sunday, December 3, 2017, 2 pm
Concert Hall



There will be one 15-minute intermission.



Holidayfest is a Forbes Family Fun event
sponsored by Union Bank & Trust.

Program

Ring the Bells **Rosephanye Powell (1962)**
Combined Choirs and JMU Symphony Orchestra
Dr. W. Bryce Hayes, *conductor*

Vidi Speciosam (fragment) **Will Todd (1970)**
Lux Aurumque **Eric Whitacre (1970)**
The Madison Singers: Dr. Jo-Anne van der Vat-Chromy, *conductor*

from **A Ceremony of Carols, Op. 28** **Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)**
I. Wolcom Yole
VI. This Little Babe
VI. Deo Gratias
JMU Harp Ensemble:
Karlee Lanum, Sophia Shedd, Jaclyn Wappel, *director*
Treble Chamber Choir: Dr. W. Bryce Hayes, *conductor*

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming **Melchoir Vulpius (1560-1615)**
Sing Noel **Liberian Folk Song, arr. André J. Thomas**
University Men's Chorus: Dr. W. Bryce Hayes, *conductor*

from **The Snow Maiden** **Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov (1844-1908)**
Dance of the Tumblers
JMU Symphony Orchestra: Professor Foster Beyers, *conductor*

Ogo ni fun Oluwa **Trad. Nigerian, arr. Rosephanye Powell**
Auld Lang Syne **Trad. Scottish, arr. by Campbell, Hanawalt and Sasanfar**
University Women's Chorus: Dr. Jo-Anne van der Vat-Chromy, *conductor*

Mary, Did You Know? **Pentatonix (2014), arr. Roger Emerson**
from **Songs for a New World** **Jason Robert Brown (1970)**
Christmas Lullaby
JMU Chorale: Dr. Jo-Anne van der Vat-Chromy, *conductor*

from **Messiah** **G.F. Handel (1685-1759)**
44. Hallelujah Chorus (Please stand!)
Combined Choirs and JMU Symphony Orchestra
Dr. Jo-Anne van der Vat-Chromy, *conductor*

15-Minute Intermission

from **Hansel and Gretel** **Engelbert Humperdinck (1854-1921)**
Prayer and Dream Pantomime
JMU Symphony Orchestra: Professor Foster Beyers, *conductor*

Suite from **The Polar Express** **Silvestri/Ballard, ed. by C. Pope**
The Madison Singers, JMU Chorale and JMU Symphony Orchestra
Professor Foster Beyers, *conductor*

Sleigh Ride **Leroy Anderson (1908-1975)**
JMU Symphony Orchestra: Professor Foster Beyers, *conductor*

Program (cont'd)

Christmas Carol Sing-Along

Trad., arr. Dan Goeller

JMU Choral Area and JMU Symphony Orchestra

Please join us for our sing-along!

Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply, echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain: Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room. And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing. And heav'n, and heav'n, and nature sing.

Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful

Oh, come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant.

Oh, come ye, oh, come ye, to Bethlehem.

Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;

Refrain: Oh, come, let us adore Him, oh, come, let us adore Him,

Oh, come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

The First Noël

The first Noël the angel did say, was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay.

In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain: Noël, Noël, Noël, Noël, born is the King of Israel.

Silent 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.

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing, glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"

Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain: Hark! the herald angels sing, glory to the newborn King!"

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas; We wish you a Merry Christmas;
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin;

Good tidings for Christmas and a Happy New Year!

JMU Choral Area

Dr. Jo-Anne van der Vat-Chromy, *Director*; Dr. W. Bryce Hayes, *Associate Director*
Tracey Schimmel-Reed, Chyn Shen Low, Dr. Tonya Menard;
Choral Accompanists (TMS and Chorale)
Alvina Klopot, Justin Long, Arielle Sukhram;
2017-2018 Annette Floyd May Choral Scholarship Accompanists

THE MADISON SINGERS

Soprano

Katie Bentley
Lindsey Bross
Natalie Harris
Amanda Mason
Annelies Sears
Monica Slater
Reva Thompson
Megan Walton

Tenor

Brian Ashton
David Bogaev
Nicholas Branson
Aiden Everrett
Joshua Fisher
Justin Long
Vinnie Okechukwu

Alto

Ellen Atwood
Darby Clinard
Cecelia McKinley
Rebecca Rozmajzl
Isabella Valdes
Emily Veramessa
Elizabeth Weikle
Kelsey Wessels

Bass

Peter Barber
Joel Clemens
Howard Kim
Kyle Knappenberger
Evan Lattanzi
Alton Peters

JMU CHORALE

Soprano

Amanda Bennett
Taylor Belk
Maggie Boyd
Katie Brooks
Rebecca Brown
Mikalya Bushkar
Kayla Centaure
Sarah Damers
Hannah Deal
Laura Eaton
Claire Fadl
Mary Galvin
Haley Griffith
Jodi Hoffman
Brenna McFarland
Laura Pachnos
Ella Poleta
Chloe Richard
Elizabeth Shofi
Vanessa Siracusa
Journee Smith
Hannah Thomas
Emily Wiley

Tenor

Ammad Akbari
Jeremy Alexander
Brian Ashton
Joshua Fisher
Lief Jomuad
Kris Kouzougian
Brandon Morse

Alto

Sophia Anzalone
Linda Blazer
Erin Dixon
Kathryn Dobyns
Isabel Florimonte
Kate Gibson
Jamiah Harrison

Lexi Jennings
Alvina Klopot
Courtney Leipertz
Katie Morgan
Theresa Perez
Maggie Rabe
Anastasia Ross
Annalise Sears
Kaylee Shuey
Adrienne Tomlinson
Michael Truilo
Emily Veramessa
Elizabeth Weikle
Sydney Wilkins

Bass

Coleman Cox
Manny Davis
Trevor Goldhush
Daniel Jenkins
Howard Kim
Patrick Marr
Douglas Ritcher
Brian Sauerwald
Joao Versos

UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CHORUS

Marion Amoah
Celi Jean Apperson
Bonnie Ashcraft
Virginia Ballard
Elizabeth Ballman
Mary Besecky
Avery Bledsoe
Emily Bryson
Molly Cahlink
Jessica Carter
Julia Cha Fong
Dr. Beth Chandler
Emily Chapman
Abigail Cordova
Alexis Couper

JMU Choral Area (cont'd)

Katherine Dillman
Morgan Dryer
Abigail Eanes
Julia Faber
Erin Few
Camryn Finn
Leah Finn
Cara Geiger
Erica Glines
Sarah Goodson
Emily Gulli
Julianne Gulli
Ailish Hall
Maggie Hallauer
Lydia Hugo
Cecilia Humphrey
Emily King
Tori Klosko
Sierra Lambert
Hailey Lanford
Katelyn Lindsey
Kirsten Locker
Brynna Lokrantz
Emily Lund
Camila Maric
Caroline Marney
Amber Martin
Allison McDonald
Kate Miller
Lucy Moss
Courtney Ott
Rachel Pennington
Jocelyn Peter
Julia Pipan
Cecelia Polvere
Makenzie Rodriguez
Emily Rosenberger
Gabriela Santiago
Hattie Saunders
Abigail Smith
Jessica Stahle
Emily Swett
Abigail Wallen
Faith Whittemore
Brena Whitten
Amy Winger
Michelle Wu

UNIVERSITY MEN'S CHORUS

Ammad Akbari
Jeremy Alexander
Nick Altman
Eric Ballman
Brent Barnes
Stan Bottcher
Keith Brown
Connor Burch
Garrett Christian
Coleman Cox
Manny Davis
Thomas DeGraba
Noah Galbreath
Trevor Goldhush
Gunter Greenhaigh
Antonio Griffin
David Gwynn
Parker Hicks
Douglas Hines
Benjamin Jackson
Robert Jackson
Daniel Jenkins
Mohammad Khan
Benjamin Kniceley
Kris Kouzougian
Justin Long
Raymond Ma
Andrew Magruder
Riley Millward
Bryce Morgan
Brandon Morris
Danny Nguyen
Chris Ogunfowora
Daniel Oliver
Franco Ortiz
Benjamin Ostapovicz
Ben Pryse
David Ramirez
Seth Rapkins
Ian Ring
Brian Sauerwald
Robert Schiber
Seth Rapkins
Ian Ring
Brian Sauerwald
Robert Schiber

Dan Wash
Kyle Wenger
Charles White
Reid Wilkins
Jeremy Wojton
Nathaniel Wolters

TREBLE CHAMBER CHOIR

Sophia Anzalone
Virginia Ballard
Mikayla Bushkar
Ellie Brann
Emily Bryson
Emily Chapman
Abigail Cordova
Sarah Damers
Erin Dixon
Kathryn Dobyns
Alyssa Downing
Laura Eaton
Camryn Finn
Leah Finn
Kate Gibson
Emily Gulli
Becca Gustafson
Maggie Hallauer
Janelle Harris
Jamaiah Harrison
Maggie Madamba
Camilla Maric
Kathryn Morgan
Lucy Moss
Megan O'Brien
Teresa Perez
Ella Poletto
Makenzie Rodriguez
Hannah Sayles
Vanessa Siracusa
Kaylee Shuey
Alex Stenseth
Emily Swett
Hannah Thomas
Adrienne Tomlinson
Michael Trulio
Abigail Wallen
Nora Winsler
Emily Wylie

JMU Symphony Orchestra

Professor Foster Beyers, *Music Director*

Benjamin Bergey, *Symphony Manager*

Violin I

Hannah Bush
Chloe Campbell
Emily Clark
Kristi Monte
Edo Mor
Breonna Proctor
Lindsey Showalter
Sage Wright, CM

Violin II

Jianda Bai, P
Han Sol Chang
Sydney Hunter
Oliver Kriska
Laura Maila
Nikki Shawn
Brittany Siler
Katie Venne

Viola

Gregory Childress, P
Talar Gober
Nicoletta Moss
Victoria Price
Rebecca Walker
Jordan Wright

Cello

Jacob Dean
Hannah Gould
Kaylyn Harrington
Patricia Morrison
Andrew Schlagel, P
Kyung Jin Yoon
Conor Riccomini

Double Bass

Devin Arrington
Manoa Bell
Peter Casseday
Keely Kinnane
Will Landon, P

Flute

Lydia Carroll
Jordan Frazier
Liza Inada

Oboe

Sarah Blevins
David Pelikan
Laura Ruple

Clarinet

Noah Karkenny
Tony Moran
Chris Pennington

Bassoon

Keith Brown
Seth Walker

Horn

Kaitlyn Brown
Bailey Furrow
Hunter Payne
Emily Williams

Trumpet

Megan George
Kyra Hulligan
John Nye

Trombone

Ryan Doherty
Brian Junttila
Evan Amoroso

Tuba

Cody Bowald

Percussion

Christian Davis
Paige Durr
Christopher Hoffman
Kai-Po Lan
Tyler Schafer

Harp

Sophia Shedd

Piano/Celesta

Dianna Fiore

Symphony Manager

Benjamin Bergey

Graduate Conductors

Benjamin Bergey
Dianna Fiore

Co-CM = Co-Concertmaster

P = Principal

Co-P = Co-Principal

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“Ooh Ooooh! All Aboard the Polar Express!”

On November 10, 2004, a new film favorite steamed into theaters nationwide as the holiday event of the year! It remains to this day an inspirational classic for people of all ages. The film, ***The Polar Express***, based on the 1985 book by Chris Van Allsburg, has touched the hearts of millions, both young and old. Whether viewed on the big screen or the printed page, ***The Polar Express*** is a heartwarming story about the power of belief that resonates across generations and cultures.

Our *Holidayfest* narrations summarize the most important thread of the story, the power of belief, as represented by the boy's gift of a magic bell received from Santa Claus during an incredible train ride to the North Pole. Mystery, magic, fantasy, dreams coming true, and the inner knowing of listening and believing are all part of this wonderful story! When the combined Madison Singers and JMU Chorale join forces with the JMU Symphony Orchestra in the Suite from the beautiful film score of ***The Polar Express***, we hope you will close your eyes, remember the movie and the book, sing along with us if you want to, and most of all, be inspired to BELIEVE. “Ooh ooooh! All aboard!” **Happy Holidays!**

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