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Presents

This Amazing Day

Performed by the



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PROGRAM

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TEXTS & TRANSLATIONS

"Haec Dies" from Three Motets

Haec dies quam fecit Dominus: exultemus et laetemur in ea, alleluya.

Daniel Gawthrop

This is the day which the Lord hath made: let us be glad and rejoice therein. Alleluia.

Psalm 57

Betty Jackson King

Oh God, be merciful unto me. For my soul taketh refuge in thee. Yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I take refuge Until these sorrows pass over. My heart is fixed, God, For thy loving kindness is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the skies. Be thou exalted, Oh God, above the heavens. Let thy glory be above all the earth. Amen.

Invitation to Love

Christopher Aspaas

Come when the nights are bright with stars Or come when the moon is mellow, Come when the sun his golden hours Drop on the hayfield yellow, Come in the twilight soft and gray, Come in the night or come in the day, Come, o come, whene'er you may, And you are welcome.

Come when my heart is full of grief, Or when my heart is merry, Come with the falling of the leaf, Or with the redd'ning cherry, Come when the blossom grows, When summer gleams and glows, Come to my heart and give it rest, When autumn winds do blow, With winters drifting snow, Come to my heart, you are welcome. - Paul Lawrence Dunbar (alt.)

Introduxit me rex

Introduxit me rex in cellam vinariam, ordinavit in me charitatem. Fulcite me floribus, stipate me malis; quia amore langueo.

Giovanni Perluigi da Palestrina

He brought me into the cellar of wine, he set in order charity in me. Stay me up with flowers, compass me about with apples: because I languish with love. - Song of Songs 2:4-5

A Golden Day (premiere)

I found you and I lost you, All on a gleaming day. The day was filled with sunshine, and the land was full of May. A golden bird was singing its melody divine, I found you and I loved you, And all the world was mine. But when I dream of you, my dear, It is always brimming May. - Paul Lawrence Dunbar

i thank you god for most this amazing day

i thank You God for most this amazing day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything which is natural which is infinite which is yes

(i who have died am alive again today, and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth day of life and love and wings and of the gay great happening illimitably earth)

how should tasting touching hearing seeing breathing any-lifted from the no of all nothing-human merely being doubt unimaginable You?

(now the ears of my ears awake and now the eyes of my eyes are opened) - e. e. cummings

Patrick Vu

Dan Forrest

The **TCU Concert Chorale**, the University's flagship choral ensemble, is committed to the exploration and performance of the finest repertoire from the 16th century to today. One of six choral ensembles in the School of Music, the Chorale is a highly-select, auditioned group of forty-five singers including music majors as well as students from other academic disciplines. All members of the Chorale recognize the important role of the arts in their personal and professional development.

In this pandemic season, the Chorale has divided into two chamber choirs for the purposes of managing risk while maximizing our ability to make music. Rehearsals for these smaller ensembles allow us to use more facilities at TCU and also provide the opportunity for simultaneous rehearsals and student-led sectionals. All of our rehearsals meet or exceed the standards set by the CDC and recent research for spacing and time allotted.

The Concert Chorale has had a remarkable history under the leadership of Texas visionaries B. R. (Bev) Henson (1929-1998) and Ronald Shirey (1933-2009) with TMEA, SWACDA, and National ACDA Conference appearances. Under Shirey's leadership, the Chorale performed numerous times at Carnegie Hall.

The Chorale frequently collaborates with the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, the TCU Symphony, and numerous choral ensembles from Dallas/Ft. Worth. The Chorale was also featured as one of two university choirs to perform at the 2018 TMEA Annual Conference and recently performed at the SouthWestern American Choral Directors Association Conference in Little Rock, Arkansas.



The TCU Concert Chorale in PepsiCo Recital Hall, Spring 2019

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MISSION

To educate and empower students of the Vocal Arts to perform at the highest level in their art and in their lives

VISION

To take our place as a leading center of excellence in Vocal Arts: regionally, nationally, and globally

GOALS

To emphasize collaboration To instill professional and personal integrity To encourage diversity of thought, skills, and musical expression To enrich the TCU community and beyond

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The new TCU Music Center (projected completion Fall 2020) will place a world-class facility in TCU's new Creative Commons.

At the heart of this new building is a state-of-the-art performance hall—the **Van Cliburn Concert Hall at TCU**. This new facility will significantly transform our campus, our programs and the Fort Worth performing arts community.

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