Spring Choral Concert



Rayna Brooks, Director

Cassandra Girzone, Student Teacher

Judy Fesko, Accompanist

Premiere: Monday, May 10, 2021

7:00 pm

Lakewood Civic Auditorium

Concert Choir and Chorale

Cantate Hodie Mary Lynn Lightfoot

Heal the World Michael Jackson

arr. Emerson

Wellerman The Longest Johns

arr. Brooks

Symphonic Treble Choir

Will There Really Be A "Morning"? Craig Hella Johnson

Jordan's Angels Rollo Dilworth

Build Me Up, Buttercup Macauley and D'Abo

arr. Emerson

Symphonic Mixed Choir

Indodana Traditional isiXhosa

arr. Barrett and Schmitt

Descant: Eileen Brady and Gina Marjanovic

MLK U2

arr. Chilcott

Soloist: Audrey Warren

The Ground Ola Gjeilo

Superstition arr. Langford

Soloists: Lydia Kress, Ryder Crone, Ilana Darr, Rylie Elswick

Lakewood High School Alma Mater Schaufele & Drotleff

The Lord Bless You and Keep You Peter Lutkin

Concert Choir

Amily Abuzahriyeh Kiara Longenecker

Moyeen Ali Madaline Magda-McKinney

Aidan Bangert Ariana Marich Kai Barker Evan Miller Haley Benjamin Aidan Maxwell

Reagan Bratko Zoe Pace

David Burns **Emily Potoczak** Mia Carroll-Greeves Maggie Rearden Isabella Colon Madison Rich Syd Cronin Eleanor Rogers Gillian Coulson Thaissa Santos Ava Donaldson Easton Sever Darien Ferrer Raheem Shamsi Nora Germaine Anaula Simpson

Xia Smith-Donaldson

Fiona Gjermeni Maryanne Goza Arabella Spear Imani Hamdan Jasper Stelma Eleanor Hartranft Mia Szymczyk Chandler Hereford Parker Toms

Mason Thompson **Emily Jarecke**

Luke Kimble Daw Wah

Hannah Watkins Brandi King Elma Kudic Elliot Winters

Maggie Lane

Jaylon Marbury

Chorale

Mitchell Bookman Kayden Melicant Lexa Bunevich Diamond Milam **Julia Costello** Adam Neff Sadie Gregg **Joice Salloum** Alex Hodson Isabella Smith Alex Horton Samuel Thomas Deidre Hupcey Gabriella Trnavsky Isaiah Jelinek Shahijah White Ty Kimble Evie Woolfolk Kylie Lenzer Corey Workman

Symphonic Treble Choir

Caroline Baas Sophia Gutierrez Edie Barcelona Rosie Lipka

Ava Bruening Shavonna McCary Audrey Carson Maggie McGann

Katherine Coleman Lennah Papadorotheou

Amara Deyo-Flagg Avery Plumley
Jazmin Dunay Madeleine Rybak
Gia Frankito Cameron Wereb
Erica Frischauf Julia Westlake
Eryn Gadson Corine Wroblewski

Symphonic Mixed Choir

Sidney Bacon Colin McCrone

Eileen Brady Josh Mika

Gabriela Brizzi * Amelia Moore
Mateo Bussert * Griffin Norris

Sophie Craciun Arturo Orso- Giacone

Ryder Crone * Amy Pilgrim

Ilana Darr Alexander Pongracz

Joey Daso Erin Ptacek
Demetrius Davis Ryan Smith
Rylie Elswick Sasha Strong
Patrick Hannum * Thomas Tamilio
Kate Healy Madelyn Tumbleson
Jack Holian Jessica Twardesky

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Julia Kavc Xander Wilson

Lydia Kress

Gina Marjanovic

^{*}denotes class officer

Text and Translations

Cantate Hodie (English and Latin)

Sing today! Lift your voices in a jubilant song. Sing today!

Heal the World

There's a place in your heart, and I know that it is love And this place could be much brighter than tomorrow. And if you really try, you'll find there's no need to cry, In this place, you'll feel there's no hurt or sorrow. There are ways to get there if we care enough for the living; make a little space to make a better place.

Heal the world, make it a better place for you and for me and the entire human race.

There are people dying. If you care enough for the living, make a better place for you and for me.

If you want to know why, there's a love that cannot lie, Love is strong, it only cares of joyful giving. If we try, we shall see in this bliss we cannot feel fear or dread. We stop existing and start living.

Then it feels that always love's enough for us growing.

And the dream we once believed in will reveal a joyful face, And the world we once believed in will shine again in grace. Then why do we keep strangling life, wound this earth crucify its soul.

Though It's plain to see this world is heavenly, be God's glow.

We could fly so high, let our spirits never die, In my heart, I feel you are all my brothers. Create a world with no fear, together we'll cry happy tears. See the nations turn their swords into ploughshares. Heal the world we live in, save it for our children

Wellerman

There once was a ship that put to sea and the name of the ship was the Billy o' Tea The wind blew hard, her bough dipped down Blow, me bully boys, blow.

Soon may the Wellerman come To bring us sugar and tea and rum One day when the toungin' is done We'll take our leave and go.

She had not been two weeks from shore When down on her, a right whale bore. The captain called all hands and swore, He'd take that whale in tow.

Before the boat had hit the water, The whale's tale came up and caught her, All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her When she dived down below.

For fourty days or even more, The line went slack then tight once more. All boats were lost, there were only four, But still that whale did go.

As far as I've heard, the fight's still on, The lines not cut, and the whale's not gone. The Wellerman takes his a-regular call To encourage the Captain, crew, and all.

Will There Really Be A "Morning"?

Will there really be a "morning"? Is there such a thing as day? Could I see it from the mountains if I were as tall as they? Morning, morning, where does morning lie?

Has it feet like water lilies, has it feathers like a bird? Does it come from famous countries of which I have never heard?

Morning, morning, where does morning lie?

Oh some Scholar! Oh some Sailor! Oh some wise man from the sky!

Pleased to tell a little pilgrim where the place called morning lies.

Morning, morning, where does morning lie?

Jordan's Angels

Looking out over Jordan, all I could see, A band of angels coming after me. Gabriel was playing the trumpet, David was playing the harp. Someday my soul shall be free, I shall be free.

All night, all day,
The angels keep a-watching over me, my Lord.
All night, all day
Angels watching over me, and I shall be free.

As I was looking out over Jordan, All I could see was a band of angels coming after me.

Angels, angels. I shall be free.

Build Me Up, Buttercup

Why do you build me up, buttercup, baby just to let me down And mess me around, and then worst of all, You never call, baby when you say you will, but I love you still. I need you more than anyone, darling, You know that I have from the start So, build me up, Buttercup. Don't break my heart.

"I'll be over at 10," you told me time and again but you're late, I wait around and then I run to the door I can't take anymore it's not you, you let me down again. Baby, baby, try to find a little time and I'll make you happy. I'll be home, I'll be beside the phone waiting for you.

To you, I'm a toy, but I could be the boy you adore, If you'd just let me know.
Although you're untrue, I'm attracted to you all the more, Why do I need you so?
Baby, baby, try to find a little time and I'll make you happy. I'll be home, I'll be beside the phone waiting for you.

Indodana (Xhosa)

"Indodana," based on a traditional Xhosa hymn and arranged by Michael Barrett, was written to reflect peace and equality—particularly in reference to the South African apartheid—and the need for understanding, movement and justice.

The Ground (Latin)

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
Grant us peace.

Superstition

Very superstitious, writings on the wall, Very superstitious, ladders bout' to fall, Thirteen-month-old baby, broke the looking glass. Seven years of bad luck, good things in your past. When you believe in things that you don't understand, Then you suffer. Superstition ain't the way.

Very superstitious, wash your face and hands, Rid me of the problem, do all that you can, Keep me in a daydream, keep me goin' strong, You don't wanna save me, Sad is my song. When you believe in things That you don't understand, then you suffer. Superstition ain't the way,

Very superstitious, nothin' more to say, nothin' more to say. Very superstitious, devil's on his way, yeah he's on his way. Superstitious, nothing more to say.

Program Notes

As has been stated countless times over the past 14 months, this has been an unprecedented time. The choir program has experienced many challenges this year: starting online, hybrid learning, odd class sizes, and socially distanced singing. However, each ensemble has risen to the occasion and worked hard to be able to record the pieces you're hearing this evening. I am proud of the dedication and perseverance of the students in the choir program this year and even prouder of the beautiful singing they have been able to achieve.

Special Thanks

Judy Fesko, our accompanist, who always makes time in her schedule to lend us her talents.

Doug Bunsey

Trish Hendy and the Civic Auditorium Staff

Randy Hatmaker and the Custodial Staff

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The parents, guardians, and families of each singer

A Message to The Seniors

All senior classes are special; they serve as leaders, pass down traditions, and inspire younger students toward growth and excellence. This senior class has an extra layer to their specialness, as they are the class I came into Lakewood High School with as a first-year teacher. I have such fond memories of each of them and it has been an honor to watch them learn, grow, sing, perform, and figure out what comes next. I am grateful for the lessons they have taught me about being a teacher. To each of my seniors, please keep singing and making music. I promise you, you won't regret it.

Thank you for the music.

Love, Ms. Brooks

2021 Choir Seniors

Gabriela Brizzi Gina Marjanovic Mateo Bussert Shavonna McCary Amara Deyo-Flagg Arturo Orso-Giacone Rylie Elswick **Avery Plumley** Gia Frankito Thomas Tamilio Patrick Hannum Madelyn Tumbleson **Audrey Warren** Kate Healey Jack Holian Sarah Whitkofski

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