Kennesaw State University
College of the Arts
School of Music

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Spring Concert

Choral Ensembles

Dr. Alison Mann, conductor
Dr. Leslie J. Blackwell, conductor

Sherri Barrett, piano
Brenda Brent, piano

Thursday, April 25, 2013
8:00 p.m.
Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center
One Hundred Eighteenth Concert of the 2012-2013 Season
KSU Chorale
Dr. Leslie J. Blackwell, conductor
Sherri N. Barrett, piano

Hosanna in Excelsis
Brent Pierce

Sanctus
Gabriel Fauré
from Requiem
Grace Kawamura, violin

Domine, ad adjuvandum me, festina
Il Padre G.B. Martini

Sing Me to Heaven
Daniel Gawthrop

Neighbors’ Chorus
Jacques Offenbach
from the comic opera La jolie Parfumeuse

KSU Women’s Choir
Music of the Poets
Dr. Alison Mann, conductor
Brenda Brent, piano

Radiant Sister of the Day
David L. Brunner
Percy Bysshe Shelley

Arise, My Love
Joan Szymko
The Song of Solomon

sam was a man
Vincent Persichetti
e. e. cummings

My Song
David Childs
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KSU Men’s Ensemble
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La Danza
Gioacchino Rossini
arr. James Mulholland

O magnum mysterium
Brian Schmidt

Pyé Aleman
arr. Sten Källman
Ethan Sperry

Jonathan Fallis and Terry Pendleton, soloists
Cameron Austin, Levi Lyman, Kyle Pridgen,
and Michael Standard, percussion

Never Ever
Robert Seeley

KSU Chamber Singers
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Horizons
Peter Louis Van Dijk

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The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee
Jean Berger

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Brian Galante
Hosanna in Excelsis - Brent Pierce

Hosanna in Excelsis.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus from Requiem - Gabriel Fauré

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra  
Gloria tua.  
Hosanna in Excelsis.  
Holy, Holy, Holy,  
Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Domine, ad adjuvandum me, festina - Il Padre G.B. Martini

Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.  
Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto,  
sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper  
et in saecula saeculorum.  
Amen.  
Lord, my God, assist me now, make haste to help me.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen.

Radiant Sister of the Day - David Brunner

To Jane: The Invitation  
Radiant Sister of the Day,  
Awake! Arise! And come away!  
To the wild woods and the plains,  
And the pools where the winter rains  
Image all their roofs of leaves,  
Where the pine its garland weaves  
Of sapless green and ivy dun  
Round stems that never kiss the sun;  
Where the lawns and pastures be,  
And the sandhills of the sea-  
Where the melting hoar-frost wets  
The daisy-star that never sets,  
And wind-flowers, and violets,  
Which yet join not scent to hue,  
Crown the pale year weak and new;  
When the night is left behind,  
And the blue moon is over us,  
And the multitudinous  
Billows murmur at our feet,  
Where the earth and ocean meet,  
And all things seem only one  
In the universal sun.  
-Percy Bysshe Shelley

Arise, My Love - Joan Szymko

Arise, my love, arise my fair one, come away.  
The winter is passed, the rains are all over and gone;  
And the flowers appear on the earth,  
and the time of our singing has come,  
and a band of many colors is riding the sky.  
-Song of Solomon
**sam was a man - Vincent Persichetti**

sam was a man, grinned his grin,
done his chores, laid him down.
sleep well.
rain or hail, sam done the best he kin.
sam done the best he kin til they digged his hole.
stout as a bridge, rugged as a bear,
slickern a weasel.
how be you (sun or snow),
gone into what like all them kings you read about,
and on him sings a whippoorwill;
heart as big as the world ain’t square,
with room for the devil and his angels too.
yes, sir, what may be better or what may be worse.
and what may be clover (nobody’ll know).

- e. e. cummings

**My Song - David Childs**

This song of mine will wind its music around you, my child,
like the fond arms of love.
This song of mine will touch your forehead like a kiss of blessing.
When you are alone it will sit by your side and whisper in your ear,
when you are in the crowd it will fence you about with aloofness.
My song will be like a pair of wings to your dreams,
it will transport your heart to the verge of the unknown.
It will be like the faithful star overhead when dark night is over your road.
My song will sit in the pupils of your eyes,
and will carry your sight into the heart of things.
And when my voice is silent in death,
my song will speak in your living heart.

- Rabindranath Tagore

**Ouvre ton Coeur - Georges Bizet**

La marguerite a fermé sa corolle,
L’ombre a fermé les yeux du jour.
Belle, me tiendras tu parole?

Ouvre ton cœur á mon amour,
Ouvre ton cœur, ô jeune ange,
à ma flamme.
Qu’un rêve charme ton sommeil,
Je veux reprendre mon âme,
Comme une fleur s’ouvre au soleil!

The daisy has closed its flowery crown,
Twilight has closed the eyes of the day.
My lovely beauty, will you keep your promise?
Open your heart to my love.
Open your heart to my desire, young angel.
May a dream charm your sleep,
I want to take back my soul,
As a flower opens itself to the sun!

-Louis Delâtre
La Danza - Gioachino Rossini/arr. James Mulholland

Già la luna è in mezzo al mare, mamma mia, si salterà!

Now the moon is over the ocean; Mamma mia, we’re going to leap!

L’ora è bella per danzare, chi è in amor non mancherà.

The hour is beautiful for dancing, Anyone in love will not miss it.

Già la luna è in mezzo al mare, mamma mia, si salterà!

Now the moon is over the ocean; Mamma mia, we’re going to leap!

Presto in danza a tondo, a tondo, donne mie venite qua,
un garzon bello e giocondo a ciascuna toccherà,
finché in ciel brilla una stella e la luna splenderà.

Soon we’ll be dancing, round and round, my ladies, come here,
A beautiful and playful lad will have a turn with everyone.
As long as in heaven sparkles a star, And the moonbeams will shine

Il più bel con la più bella tutta notte danzerà.

The most beautiful boy and girl will dance all night.
Mamma mia, Mamma mia,
Now the moon is over the ocean;

mamma mia, mamma mia, mamma mia, si salterà.

Mamma mia, mamma mia, Mamma mia, we’re going to leap!

Faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, Mamma mia, we’re going to leap!

Frinche, frinche, frinche, frinche, frinche, frinche, mamma mia, si salterà.

Faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, Mamma mia, we’re going to leap!

La la ra la ra la la la la ra la!

La la ra la ra la la la la la!

Hopping, jumping, turning, spinning, every couple have a turn, now advancing, now receding, and returns to the excitement.
Now advancing, now receding, and returns to the excitement.

Sera, sera, colla bionda, colla bruna và quà e là colla rossa và a seconda,
colla smorta fermo sta. Viva il ballo a tondo a tondo,
sono un Re, sono un Pascià, è il più bel piacer del mondo la più cara voluttà.

Dance, dance with the blonde, with the brunette of here and there, with the redhead follow along. with the pale one, keep still.
Long live dancing, round and round!
I am a king, I am a lord, It is the world’s greatest pleasure
The most beautiful delight!

Mamma mia, mamma mia, già la luna è in mezzo al mare,
mamma mia, mamma mia, mamma mia, si salterà.

Mamma mia, mamma mia, now the moon is over the ocean;
Mamma mia, Mamma mia, Mamma mia, we’re going to leap!
Faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, faster, Mamma mia, we’re going to leap!

La la ra la ra la la la la la la!

La la ra la ra la la la sta voluttà.
O magnum mysterium - Brian Schmidt

O magnum mysterium,
et admirabile sacramentum,
Ut animalia viderent Dominum natum,
jacentem in praesepio!
Beata Virgo, cujus viscera
meruerint portare
Dominum Christum.
Alleluia.

Pyé Aleman - Ethan Sperry

Pyé Aleman Lemiso Batala Eh

Aleman se lwa dife ou ye
Kay la se mwen kay la Nago lele
Nago, lele.
Kay la Nago koulele, kay la Vodou koulele

Peter, the Rock, the Magnet,
the Spirit of Wisdom.
You are the Spirit of Fire.
This is the house of the spirit
Nago, lele.
The house of Nago,
koulele, the house of Vodou,
koulele.

O vos omnes - Pablo Casals

O vos omnes qui transitis per viam, at-tendite et videte:
Si est dolor similis sicut dolor meus.
Attendite, universi populi, et videte dolorem meum.
Si est dolor similis sicut dolor meus.

O all you who walk by on the road,
pay attention and see:
if there be any sorrow like my sorrow.
Pay attention, all people, and look at
my sorrow:
if there be any sorrow like my sorrow.

Zigeunerlieder, Op. 103 - Johannes Brahms

I. He, Zigeuner, greife in die Saiten ein

He, Zigeuner, greife in die Saiten
He, Zigeuner, greife in die Saiten ein!
Spiel das Lied vom ungetreuen Mägdelein!
Laß die Saiten weinen, klagen, traurig bange,
Bis die heiße Träne netzet diese Wange!

Hey, Gypsy, strike on your strings!
Play the song of the unfaithful maiden!
Let the strings weep, lament, and sadly tremble,
until hot tears moisten this cheek!

V. Brauner bursche führt zum Tanze

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Sein blauäugig schönes Kind Schlägt die Sporren keck zusammen
Czárdás Melodie beginnt.
Küßt und hertzt sein süßes Täubchen

The bronzed lad leads his lovely,
blue-eyed sweetheart to the dance.
He knicks his spurs together boldly
as the Czardas melody begins,
kisses and caresses his sweet little dove,
whirls her, leads her, shouts and leaps for joy,
and throws three shiny silver guilders
on the cymbal, making it ring.
VI. Röslein dreie in der Reihe blühn so rot,

Röslein dreie in der Reihe blühn so rot,
Daß der Bursch zum Mädel gehe, ist kein Verbot!
Lieber Gott, wenn das verboten wär,
Ständ die schöne weite Welt schon längst nicht mehr;
Ledig bleiben Sünde wär!

Schönstes Städtchen in Alföld ist Ketschkemet,
Dort gibt es gar viele Mädchen schmuck und nett!
Freunde, sucht euch dort ein Bräütchen aus,
Freit um ihre Hand und gründet euer Haus,
Freudenbecher leeret aus.

Exsultate - Brain Galante

Exsultate, jubilate Deo!
O vos animae beatae
dulcia cantica canendo;
cantui vestro respondendo
psallant aethera cum me!
Tu virginum corona,
tu nobis pacem dona,
tu consolare affectus,
unde suspirat cor.
Alleluia!
Exsultate, jubilate Deo!

Three little roses all in a row bloom so red.
For the lad to visit his lass is not forbidden!
Dear God, if this were forbidden,
This beautiful, wide world would have perished long ago;
to remain unmarried would be a sin!
The most beautiful town in Alföld is Ketschkemet.
There are many girls there who are pretty and nice.
Friends, seek for yourself a little bride there;
Ask for her hand and start a family;
Empty the cup of joy!

Rejoice, sing joyfully to God!
O you blessed souls.
sing sweet songs;
in response to your singing
the heavens sing with me!
You crowns of virgins,
grant us peace,
console our affections,
from which our hearts sigh.
Alleluia!
Rejoice, sing joyfully to God!
KSU Chorale

Sopranos
Elizabeth Ake
Ashanti Blount
Vanessa Burnham
Lauren Camp
Kaitlyn Crawford
Kelsey Dunn
Krista Drummond
Katlyn Flynn
Carlee Forest
Ariel Ginn
Ciara Hart
Denise Hernandez
Carley Hoffman
Hannah Jarvis
Morgan Lafever
Megan Langhorn
Kathleen McElveen
Haley Myers
Lauren Pable
Briana Pope-Pettis
Samantha Richmond
Amanda Ringwalt
Delaney Rogers
Kim Royer
Leah Sexton
Alicia Smith
Jaqueline Smith
Soyoun Sheehan
Mazelle Stirtmire
Ashley Stout
Anna Thomas
Hannah Tilden
Madison Tilley
Akosua Wiafe
Niccole Winney
Sana Zindani

Altos
Whitney Anderson
Kristen Arvold
Jenna Byess
Anna Cox
Caroline Estes
Mary Fabianski
Danielle Ferguson
Kristen Gravlee
Sara Hollis
Alexsandra Holly
Courtney Jones
Grace Kawamura
Allison Kendel
Victoria Lescota
Meghan McCauley
Alma Mujagic
Kamsiochukwu Okezie-Okeke
Rachel Stein
Abigail Swindall
Sophia Tajer
Barbara VanKempen
Christina Vehar

Tenors
Christian Artieda
Mark Bermel
Joshua Green
Dylan Hughes
Taylor Huse
Jared Leach
Johnathan Maloney
Zachary Planchet
Travis St. Dic

Basses
Andy Dang
Rogerio Ibrahim
Erik Kosman
Joshua Little
Joshua Martin
Sean Miller
Abisai Pena
Jason Raphel
Zachary Reinert
Myles Thomas

KSU Women’s Choir

Taylor Blasingame
Robin Bruno
Naarah Callendar
Lauren Camp
Lindsey Cannon
Katherine Chastain
Lauren Crumbley
Laurie Davis
Dawlyn Dieudonne
Sakeema Freeman
Megan Gibson
Morgan Gose
Megan Gribble
Barbara Griffin
Ciara Hart
Ashley Hay
Alexsandra Holly
Lauren Jacques
Hannah Jarvis
Courtney Jones
Grace Kawamura
Rachael Keplin
Joclyn Kinsey
Katherine Lawrence
Victoria Lescota
Karen Martin
Lizette Morales
Shannan O’Dowd
Mary Ogbeh
Jennifer Olenic
Sarah Olenic
Lauren Pable
Amanda Ringwalt
Alicia Smith
Rachel Stein
Bryanna Stevens
Ashley Stout
Wei Sun
Sophia Tajer
Christina Vehar
Veronica Versaci
Mazelle Webster
KSU Men’s Ensemble

Tenor 1
Eric Donaldson
Joseph McBrayer
Terry Pendleton
Travis St. Dic
Alexander Trull
Jarod Vautrot

Tenor 2
Jesse Alexander
Mark Bermel
Kristopher Davis
Jonathan Fallis
Cody Hixon
Erinn Johnson

Baritone
TJ Bergquist
Johnny Brown
Benjamin Cubitt
Dylan Gray
Sean Miller
Turner Millsaps
Nicholas Stern
Andy Tuttle
Jose Valdez

Bass
Joseph Durrett-Smith
Sean Eliason
Luke Hedrick
Timothy Marshall
Craig Quertermous
Jonathan Rogers
Trevor Sands
Julian Selano
Tim Settineri
Ryan Stoyer
Peter Gustav Westin II
Hamilton Young
Hunter Young

KSU Chamber Singers

Soprano
Vanessa Burnham
Victoria Caracci
Emily Crisp
Sarah Epling
Megan Gibson
Natalie Gough
Carley Hoffman
Chani Maisonet
Ashley Naffziger
Shannan O’Dowd
Kaely Perry

Alto
Tory Bethune
Naarah Callender
Katherine Chastain

Tenor
Kris Davis
Eric Donaldson
Joseph McBrayer
Terry Pendleton
Travis St. Dic
Alex Trull
Brian Van Buskirk

Bass
Johnny Brown
Joseph Durrett-Smith
Sean Eliason
Terry Fallis
Peter Gustav Westin
Erinn Johnson
Timothy Marshall
Alison Mann is Assistant Professor of Choral Music Education and program coordinator for Music Education at Kennesaw State University, where she teaches coursework in Choral Methods, Foundations of Music Education, Choral Conducting, and Vocal Pedagogy for Ensemble Singing. Dr. Mann supervises student teachers and serves as Conductor of the K.S.U. Women’s Chorus. She also conducts the Georgia Youth Symphony Orchestra Chorus in conjunction with the Georgia Symphony Orchestra.

Dr. Mann received her Ph.D. in Music Education and Choral Conducting from the University of Oregon, and a Masters of Choral Music Education and Bachelors of Choral Music Education from Florida State University. She is currently the Georgia state ACDA Women’s Choir Repertoire and Standards Chair, and serves on the Southern Division ACDA board. She has served as ACDA Multicultural and Ethnic Perspectives Chair for the states of Georgia and Oregon. Her research has been presented at the state, regional, and international levels. Dr. Mann is an active conductor, clinician, adjudicator, and researcher.

Leslie J. Blackwell is the Director of Choral Activities and Associate Professor of Music and Music Education at Kennesaw State University where she has directed choral activities since 1998. Dr. Blackwell’s duties include conducting the KSU Chorale, KSU Men’s Ensemble, and KSU Chamber Singers, and teaching advanced choral conducting and literature. A native of Georgia, Blackwell received the Associate of Arts degree from Gordon Junior College (1982), the Bachelor of Music in Music Education from West Georgia College (1984), the Master of Music from Georgia State University (1991), and the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Kentucky (2002).

Choirs under Dr. Blackwell’s direction have performed at numerous Georgia Music Educators Association State Conventions as well as state, regional, and national music conferences of the American Choral Directors Association. The Kennesaw State University Chamber Singers performed at the 2002, 2006, 2008, and 2011 Georgia Music Educators Association State Convention. Her most recent presentation and performance was at the 2010 American Choral Directors Association with the KSU Chamber Singers featuring music of South America.

Recognized for her work with men’s voices, Dr. Blackwell served six seasons as the Artistic Director of the Atlanta Gay Men’s Chorus (AGMC), and established the KSU Male Chorus Day at Kennesaw State University bringing upwards of 200 high school male students to campus. In 2007, the KSU Men’s Ensemble were featured at the Georgia Music Educators Association In-Service Conference presentation “Men Can’t Live with Them, Can’t Sing without Them!” More recently, the KSU Men’s Ensemble performed at the 2012 Georgia Music Educators Association In-Service Conference (GMEA) in Savannah, Georgia. Along with clinician Jerry Blackstone the KSU Men’s Ensemble will be the featured choir at the American Choral Directors Association State Conference at Spivey Hall in summer, 2013. Most recently, the Kennesaw State University Men’s Ensemble was selected to perform at the 2013 American Choral Directors National Conference in Dallas, Texas.

Dr. Blackwell is currently the Artistic Director and Conductor of the Kennesaw State University Community & Alumni Choir.
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Unless otherwise noted, all events will take place at 8:00 pm in Morgan Concert Hall.

Saturday, May 4, 2013
Community and Alumni Choir

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Monday, April 29, 2013
Percussion Ensemble

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