Women's Choir
and Whitewater High School Chorale Women

"The Little Road"

ALISON MANN, Conductor
RICHARD PROUTY, Conductor
BRENDA BRENT, Collaborative Pianist

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 8 pm
Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center, Morgan Hall
Ninth Concert of the 2018-19 Concert Season
arranged by Julius Harrison (1885–1963)

*Linden Lea*

PIERRE PASSEREAU (1509–1553)

*Il est bel et bon*

DAVID CHILDS (b. 1969)

*Where Your Bare Foot Walks*

arranged by Craig Hella Johnson (b. 1962)

*Light of a Clear Blue Morning*

Whitewater High School Chorale Women

ALLEN KOEPKE (1939–2012)

*Instruments of Praise*

GWYNETH WALKER (b. 1947)

*i thank you God*

MOIRA SMILEY

*The Little Road*

JOAN SZYMKO (b. 1957)

*Arise, My Love*

arranged by Robert T. Gibson

*This Little Light of Mine*

Kennesaw State University Women's Choir
Il est bel et bon | Passereau

Il est bel et bon, commere, mon mari.
He is handsome and fine, my husband is,

Il etait deux femmes toutes d`un pays.
There were two gossiping women in the village,

Disans l`une a l`outre: Avez bon mari?
Saying one to the other, do you have a good husband?

Il est bel et bon, commere, mon mari.
He doesn`t scold me, or beat me either.

Il ne me courousse ne me bat aussi;
He does the chores, he feeds the chickens

Il fait le mesnage,
And I just enjoy myself.

Il donne aux poulailles

Et je prens mes plaisirs.

Commere, c`est pour rire
Really you have to laugh

Quant les poulailles crient
to hear the cries of the chicks and hens:

Co co di co co da

Petite coquete, qu`est cecy?
Co, co, co, co, dae, little flirt, what`s this?

Il est bel et bon, commere, mon mari.
He is handsome and fine, my husband is.

Program Notes

Instruments of Praise | Allen Koepke

Allen Koepke (1939-2012) published over sixty compositions and was a well-known conductor, adjudicator, and clinician. He was Composer-in-Residence for Orchestra Iowa for three years, and was also the composer of two stage musicals. His awards include “Iowa Professor of the Year,” “Innovator of the Year,” and the Robert M. McCowan Award “. . . for outstanding contribution to choral music . . .”

Prior to his “retirement” he was an educator in the public schools for 20 years and college for 16 years. He served as an adjunct faculty member in three Iowa colleges, and retired from his church choir responsibilities after 54 continuous years. His commissions have been written for schools, colleges, and churches throughout the United States.
i thank you God | Gwyneth Walker, e.e. cummings (poetry)

Cummings' innovative poetic style has given rise to the myth that the poet was a great social rebel. However, his values remained quite mainstream, and his disposition was much more spiritual than that of the mainstream.

Cummings' use of the lower case "i" in the first person pronoun was prompted by a sense of humility; he was more apt to capitalize the other personal pronouns than the ones referring to himself.

Cummings' spirituality is best experienced through his sonnet, "i thank You God for most this amazing." This sonnet is clearly an innovative variation of a Shakespearean sonnet. It consists of three quatrains and a couplet with an Elizabethan rime scheme of ABAB CDCD EFEF GG.

– Linda Sue Grimes

The Little Road | Moira Smiley

The lyrics of "The Little Road" speak of the moment you decide whether to follow the road into the unknown, or to stay with what is known, dear, and comforting.

Moira Smiley, singer-composer, leads her powerhouse vocal-band, Moira Smiley & VOCO, travels the world as a soloist in traditional music, and creates new work for dance, theatre and film. Her songwriting stirs playful percussive movement with hair-raising rebel-harmony.

This Little Light of Mine | arr. Robert T. Gibson

Fans know "This Little Light of Mine" as a beloved children's tune, recognized around the world. But it's also a spiritual, which was transformed by the nation's civil rights movement into an anthem of singular power. It makes sense that a song with this much power would also be one of the most versatile anthems around, inspiring all kinds of musical artists. As the civil rights movement grew in the 1950s and '60s, singers changed the lyrics to reference their struggles. These new versions were known as "freedom songs."

Whether or not you believe the song is blessed, it's obvious this American anthem sparks a powerful feeling, which has made so many who sing it feel a little less alone and a little more free. That probably explains the enduring power of "This Little Light of Mine" better than any other reason.

– Eric Deggans
# Personnel

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## KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S CHOIR

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Whitewater High School Chorale Women

Chorale Women is one of five choirs at Whitewater High School in Fayetteville, GA. Established in 2013, this choir is an auditioned group of junior and senior class women demonstrating superior musicality and sight-reading skills. This ensemble is a versatile group regularly performing both formal choral literature and contemporary music. As the top women’s ensemble at WHS, these talented young women have been recognized as an outstanding ensemble with many invitations to perform at special events throughout our community. In addition to their regular performance schedule, members of this choir have had invitational performances in NYC, the Disney Candlelight Processional at Walt Disney World, and Italy. We are honored to have the opportunity to share the stage with the outstanding choirs at Kennesaw State University this evening.

Richard Prouty in his eighteenth year of teaching, is currently the Director of Choirs at Whitewater High School. He holds a Master of Education in Administration and Supervision from the University of West Georgia and a Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Georgia Southern University. Ensembles under his direction consistently receive superior ratings in both
sight reading and performance at Large Group Performance Evaluation. In the seven years that Mr. Prouty has been at Whitewater High School, choirs have been invited to perform in numerous places domestically and internationally. Most recently they performed with Choirs of America at Carnegie Hall and with KI Concerts in Rome and Florence, Italy. He is an active member of Georgia Music Educators, National Association for Music Educators, and American Choral Directors Association.

Alison Mann is Associate Professor of Choral Music Education and Program Coordinator for Music Education at Kennesaw State University, where she teaches coursework in Choral Methods, Advanced Choral Conducting and Literature, Foundations of Music Education, and Vocal Pedagogy for Ensemble Singing. Mann also supervises student teachers, coordinates edTPA, and serves as Conductor of the KSU Women’s Choir. Additionally, she is a founding singer and personnel manager for Atlanta based professional chamber choir, Coro Vocati.

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. Dr. Mann has studied conducting and music education with André Thomas, Kevin Fenton, Sharon J. Paul, and Judy Bowers.

Dr. Mann is currently the Southern Division ACDA Women’s Choir Repertoire and Standards chair, and past Georgia state ACDA Membership Chair. She serves on the executive planning committee for the Southern Division American Choral Directors Association. Her professional affiliations include the American Choral Directors Association, National Association for Music Education, Georgia Music Educators Association, National Collegiate Choral Organization, and the International Society for Music Education. Her research has been presented at the state, regional, and international levels. Dr. Mann is an active conductor, clinician, and adjudicator, and has conducted state ACDA honor choirs, and All State choruses in multiple states.
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I look forward to a long and rewarding relationship with you. With your continued support of music and the arts, I look forward to all we accomplish together!

Stephen W. Plate, Director, KSU School of Music

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