49th Holiday Concert

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The Department of Music and Theatre Arts and The UW-Eau Claire Foundation, Inc.
Welcome to the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire’s 49th annual Holiday Concert!

This annual event always is a high point of the season for me — an occasion that brings out the holiday spirit in us all. This year’s concert returns to the stage in the majestic Pablo Center at the Confluence, the jewel of our flourishing arts community. The performing arts center is the perfect backdrop to again gather together and enjoy Blugolds’ amazing musical talents.

Students in a wide variety of academic programs make up the outstanding music ensembles performing in our Holiday Concert. Today’s musical performances show how UW-Eau Claire students take advantage of abounding opportunities to pursue their interests and develop talents beyond those directly related to their academic major. Our graduates’ multiple talents are another example of their readiness to contribute in diverse ways to the well-being of their communities after they leave UW-Eau Claire.

This Holiday Concert is just one of many Blugold arts performances that occur each year on our campus, in our community and around the world. We are exceedingly proud that our talented students, as well as our distinguished and dedicated faculty, are an integral part of the thriving music and arts culture in Eau Claire and the greater Chippewa Valley.

This event is a special part of my annual holiday tradition, and I invite you to make it a part of yours — as well as take advantage of our university’s many other arts and entertainment opportunities. I encourage you to take in one or more of them in the weeks and months to come. You will not be disappointed!

I want to thank the department of music and theatre arts and the UW-Eau Claire Foundation for making this wonderful program possible. I am delighted you are here to enjoy the best of the season with us.

With best wishes for a joy-filled holiday,

James C. Schmidt | Chancellor, UW-Eau Claire
The Singing Statesmen, Symphonic Choir, and Novum Voce
DR. CHRISTOPHER G. MCGINLEY, CONDUCTOR

Concert Choir and Women’s Concert Chorale
DR. FRANK A. WATKINS, CONDUCTOR

University Symphony Orchestra
PROF. NOBUYOSHI YASUDA, CONDUCTOR

Wind Symphony
DR. JOHN R. STEWART, CONDUCTOR &
CONCERT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
REPERTOIRE

WELCOME
DR. JOHN R. STEWART, HOLIDAY CONCERT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Wind Symphony
Overture to a Winter Celebration ........................... James Stephenson

Women’s Concert Chorale
Cedit, Hyems ................................................ Abbie Betinis

The Singing Statesmen
Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow ........................... Undine Smith Moore

Wind Symphony
Sleigh Ride .......................................................... Leroy Anderson

The Singing Statesmen
Glory to God ....................................................... Undine Smith Moore

Women’s Concert Chorale
All That Hath Life and Breath ............................... Rene Clausen

Wind Symphony
Three Wise Guys .................................................... Julie Giroux

INTERMISSION | GREETINGS
CHANCELLOR JAMES C. SCHMIDT (2 P.M.)
DEAN ALEKS STERNFELD-DUNN (5:30 P.M.)
University Symphony Orchestra
Prelude to Act III from Lohengrin.............................Richard Wagner

Symphonic Choir
And the Glory of the Lord from Messiah............George Frideric Handel

Novum Voce
Moonlight Sound Design.................................Raimond Tiguls
Unclouded Day.............................................arr. Shawn Kirchner

Concert Choir
Jubilate Deo.............................................Pietro Ferrario
Alleluia, For This Day..................................Christopher Harris

University Symphony Orchestra and Choirs
Hallelujah from Messiah..............................George Frideric Handel

University Symphony Orchestra
Jingle Bells Forever..................................arr. Robert W. Smith

Concert Choir
Signs of the Judgment................................arr. Mark Butler

Finale
Winter’s Song..............................................Kyle Newmaster
Dr. John R. Stewart, Conductor

Winter’s Song is a commissioned piece by Kyle Newmaster ’99 which incorporates text from UW-Eau Claire professor emeritus Max Garland’s poem “For a Johnson County Snowfall.” See page 11 of this program for the poem that lends its verses as lyrics to the first movement of Winter’s Song.
Concert Choir
DR. FRANK A. WATKINS, CONDUCTOR
TATYANA ROBERTS, PIANIST

SOPRANO 1
Abby Gibson
Gracie Kromke
Emily Magee
Lilia Meives
Trinity Regnaud
Bailey Schmidtkofer
Emma Tolzmann
Jane Williams

SOPRANO 2
Gwyn Augustine
Gracie Hutchinson
Lauren Johnson
AJ Larson
Elise Mangan
Grace Metko
Tatyana Roberts

ALTO 1
Marissa Day
Sophie DeByl
Abby Kerber

ALTO 2
Alina Bushinger
Hannah Divin
Abigail Linstroth
Eva Metrusias
Emily Popp
Audrey Van Boven
Aeda Zank

TENOR 1
Max Guenther
Max Pelletier
Stephen Ruthy
Brendan Rohloff
Daniel Rozga

TENOR 2
Max Deyo
Matthew Hennessy
Joel Nelson
Isaac Theisen
Harrison Thompson
Reed Williams

BASS 1
Godwin Agbara
Parker Keilen
Preston Munsch
Kaden Ofstad
Charlie Potucek
Daniel Torrez

BASS 2
Isaac Geffers
Jim Hart
Soren Johnson
Sam Jungers
Patrick Hill
Duncan Reyburn

NOVUM VOCE
DR. CHRISTOPHER G. MCGINLEY, CONDUCTOR

SOPRANO 1
Abby Gibson
Kalei Klaubauf
Grace Riesgraf
Keira Turner

SOPRANO 2
Anna Kozial
Gretchen Mattson
Makaila Winrich

ALTO 1
Hannah Noel Durham
Carleen Kloth
Emma Lenzner
Ashleigh Madsen

ALTO 2
Maria J. Bender
Alyssa Bjorklund
Anna Haag
Wren Xiong

TENOR 1
Hugh Gaston
Hunter Malvitz
Mark Anthony Nation

TENOR 2
Riann Adriansjach
Ethan Brunke
Owen Budin
Jaiden Kohler

BASS 1
Elias Caspari
Ricky McGarry
Chris Renaud
Liam Stone

BASS 2
Hunter Martin
Nate Shilling
Colwyn Waldal
SYMPHONIC CHOIR
DR. CHRISTOPHER G. MCGINLEY, CONDUCTOR
SUSAN SEEGER, PIANIST

SOPRANO
Kirsten Baker
Katie Behling
Reagan Burr
Jamie Lynn Carr
Michelle Cebula
Zoe Comiskey
McKenna Friske
Sydney Grimm
Kirsten Gunnarson
Carol Hanson
Roz Lundquist
Talise Meisner
Willow Pawlisch
Laura Ramlow
Amber Richards
Evelyn Richards
Margaret Rose
Janelle Solberg
Terri Tompkins

ALTO
Kimberly Accola
Jan Adams
Maria Carson
Zoë Casper
McKenna Dutton
Audra Dyer
Jennifer Eddy
Barbara Eidahl
Avery Evans
Katie Folan
Natalie Goetzke
Macy Gutting
Amanda Hoenecke
Ashlee Ludin
Lyric Martensen
Emma McCabe
Alex Messerschmidt
Kya Meunier
Tara Missfeldt
Kate Lee Mullett
Erin Poynter
Jane Poynter
Kitty Rahl
Lori Ruge-Jones
Kyra Rust
Rosemary Ruthy
Susan Seeger
Elizabeth Thompson
Megan VanDyke
Finn Walker
Briar Weston
Samantha Whyte
Anna M. Zook

TENOR
Randy Adams
Matt Bartelt
Carter Cayo
Jayson Coleman
John Dorschner
Daniel Ellair
Laurie Gapko
Tanis Gee
Hank Goldsmith
Jerry Hanson
Alec Harris
Dale Poynter
Nikolas Ramlow
Allan Ruby
Samuel Wurm

BASS
Max Abendroth
Harry Backstrom
Dylan Baker
Hunter Best
Bryan Brown
Alexander T. Collins
Gavin Comiskey
Phoebe H. Davis
Noel Knickelbein
Richard Kokemoor
Nolan Reis
Edwin Rothrock
THE SINGING STATESMEN
DR. CHRISTOPHER G. MCGINLEY, CONDUCTOR

TENOR 1
Rory Anderson
Grant Colling
Tyler Dvorak
Daniel Ellair
Andrew Kroll
Conner Moll
Jonah Mueller
Jonathan Santana
Collin Thompson

Cullen McGinnis
Chris Renaud
Brady Schoeder
Keith A. Van Dornick

TENOR 2
Jackson Cooper
Evan J. Ferber
Caleb Groat
Liam Jakubowski

BASS 2
Ian Blackburn
Jack Fleigle
Keenan Hacker
Alex Jarchow
Sean Lytle
Hunter Martin
Emmett McMorrow
Garrett O’Keefe
Tyler Salzwedel
Samuel Yost

UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
PROF. NOBUYOSHI YASUDA, CONDUCTOR

VIOLIN I
Katherine Seeger
Devondre Jaquish
Mikayla Andersen
Eleanore Lohse
Elliea Weber
William Kralick

VIOLIN II
Chloe Sawall
Sierra Klages
Aaron Harrelson
Matthew Klein
Paige Ninmer

CELLO
Charles Deck
Samuel Morehead
Bella Wulterkens
Luke Nash
Anna Kozial
Emma Brashaw

BASS
RJ Prichard
Ella McGinley
Johnny Pfaff
Roland Fay
Eddie Kauls

FLUTE
Lana Hovan
Matthew Miller

OBUE
Berit Fitzsimonds
Carrie Schwartz

CLARINET
Niamh Troupe

Micaela Huesemann
Derek Braend

BASSOON
Mauricio Zepeda

HORN
Sierra Link
Brianna Leibsle
Greta Volberding
Carleen Hetrick

TRUMPET
Jonathan Schache
Ethan Cecil
Hayden Smith

TROMBONE
Trey Wisner
Lydia Wipf
Matt Fitzgerald

TUBA
Ash Rundquist

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Soren Lesperance
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*Principal
WOMEN’S CONCERT CHORALE
DR. FRANK A. WATKINS, CONDUCTOR
EMMA TOLZMANN, PIANIST

SOPRANO 1
Adrianna Dahlberg
Lily Davis
Abby Elson
Myrah Lago
Cora Lederer
Celina Mims
Maddy Puhrmann
Jenna Salzwedel
Juliana Trauberman

SOPRANO 2
Madi Arnold
Lacy Johnson
Lauren Johnson
Elise Liske
Cleo Moen

Aubree Morehouse
Hannah Raiten
Lex Reichstadt
Margaret Rose
Bella Stoughton
Emma Tolzmann

ALTO 1
Annie Daniels
Robin Ferreras
Natalie Gardner
Jadyn Hartwig
Kyli Hylla
Lily Jones
Brooklynn Jones
Latte Lee
Kylie Marth
Mali Sargent
Senja Sippert
Phoebe Wolf

ALTO 2
Lana Backstrom
Emily Colmer
Max Davis
Cori Gander
Libby Huber
Becca Jorgensen
Audrey LaRoy
Mary Phillipson
Cecilia Ridgeway
Megan Snyder
Emma Stowe
Grace Stuewer
Annelise Swiggum

Donations to the UW-Eau Claire Foundation in support of music scholarships provide additional funding to students who are pursuing their passion through music. Contributions of any amount are appreciated and make a tremendous difference in assisting students to fund their educational experiences.

PBS Wisconsin
Enjoy this program on PBS Wisconsin!

“Holiday Concert from UW-Eau Claire” will air on PBS Wisconsin on Wednesday, Dec. 20 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 24 at 5 p.m.

The recorded concert will also be available at pbswisconsin.org and on the free PBS App.
For a Johnson County Snowfall
BY MAX GARLAND

I’d settle for a paradise like this, that kept falling apart and re-gathering,

That slowed time, faltered and hung like the weight of grace on the houses.

I’d settle for a paradise that folded like a white book over the scrawl of underbrush and twigs,

That simplified the landscape, absolving the roads of destination.

A few birds tag along in a rich, grey wind. The trees are pared to a minimal faith.

Isn’t there already a place where blessing and snow are the same word?

I’d settle for such a paradise, that you could gather by the handful,

Though it might soon begin to burn with the same cold knack the winter stars have.

I’d settle for a paradise that could be fashioned into a man,

However temporary, or comical:
a cocked hat, a pair of ordinary stones for his eyes;
A paradise that nevertheless could spread its spindly arms as wide as the night was bitter, as the wind was ice, and whirled, and swept, and sang like a blade.

This piece lends its verses as lyrics to the first movement of Winter’s Song.
Lyrics for the second and third movements come from Garland’s poems “This Tree” and “A little advice for the snow,” respectively.
Explore and support upcoming UW-Eau Claire Music and Theatre department performances.

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