



Whitehorse Community Choir Presents



Tidings and Tinsel

Directed by Barbara Chamberlin

Accompanied by Barry Kitchen and Andy Slade

Saturday December 4 at 8 pm

Online only - pay what you decide

Event and tickets will be available online until Thursday December 16

Tickets available online at: yukontickets.com

For more information visit whitehorsechoir.org



Director's Note

Well, here we are, Christmas Concert 2021, semi-live! We had hoped to do this concert live with all of the choirs doing their songs back to back on stage at the Yukon Arts Centre; however, our timing was such that the concert was set to take place right during the latest public health emergency. But never mind, we are carrying on by filming each group separately and safely on three nights before the online release. Together with our two pre-recorded videos, the show was put together by Jessica Hall this Saturday morning. Whew! We are very lucky to do this concert with the support of the Yukon Arts Centre's programming and to be able to present the online streaming version to you tonight.

Last year we made a total of eight videos, one of which is being screened for you tonight. It was the very first one we made, and right after that we present our very last one, which we put together this term. It's a nice contrast, and I think you'll see that we learned a lot during the last year about making videos. I'm particularly happy with *Mele Kalikimaka*, as everyone had fun with the Hawaiian theme. I smiled all the way through it when I watched what our singers have done for the camera.

This year's songs are hopefully uplifting for you, our audience. It's a tough world right now with the continuing pandemic, the resulting lack of supplies, and further political divisions. I felt we all needed to do some merry-making, so here are some fun songs as well as some cool and beautiful songs. We have a wide variety of Celtic, Russian, English, Spanish, Hebrew and African songs as well as some well-known American Christmas songs. It's a diverse, interesting program that the choirs have all dutifully rehearsed with their masks on.

Please enjoy their hard work and love of singing!

Barbara

Acknowledgements

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We would also like to thank the following for their contributions to this concert:

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Ruth Stebbing – Program design

Brian Pelchat and Bruce Barrett – Photography

Yukon Arts Centre Staff

Program

Mixed Choir (SATB)

Hang the Holly (The Christmas Eve Reel)

Scottish Fiddle Tune, arr. and text by D. Rishel

There Is No Rose Of Such Virtue

Words - Anonymous, ca. 1420, written by S. Caracciolo

It's Beginning To Look Like Christmas

Words and music by M. Willson, arr. by M. Hayes

African Noel

Words and music by R. Kauffmann

Treble Choir (SSA)

The Wexford Carol

Traditional Irish Carol, arr. by R.E. Schram

December's Keep

Music by Frederic Chopin (Prelude in C minor, Op.28, No.20), words & arr. by G. Gilpin

Christmas in Carrick

Traditional Celtic, arr. by M. Sirett

Seven Joys of Mary

Traditional Irish Carol, arr. by M. Sirett

Here Comes Santa Claus

Words and music by G. Autry and O. Haldeman, arr. by C. C. Miller

Videos

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Melody by F. Mendelssohn, words by C. Wesley and P. Liebergen, arr. by P. Liebergen

Mele Kalikimaka

Words and music by R. A. Anderson, arr. by J. Althouse

Advanced Choir (SATB)

Riu, Riu, Chiu: El lobo Rabioso,

Anonymous 1556, arr. by The King's Singers

Two Hanukkah Songs: S'vivon, Nerli

Traditional, arr. by C. Baker

Kheruvimskaya Pyesn, #7 (Cherubic Hymn #7)

Composed by D. Bortniansky

Masters in this Hall

Traditional French, words by W. Morris, arr. by W. Averitt

Hallelujah Chorus

Composed by G.F. Handel

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Performers

ADVANCED CHOIR

Angela Venasse (S)
Åsa Berg (A)
Bruce Barrett (B)
Donald Reid (B)
Dorothy Martin (S)
Heather Milford (S)
Jan Horton (A)
Kate Alexander (S)
Kathi Brent-Brakefield (T)
Laura Beattie (T)
Lindsey Doehle (A)
Linnea Blum (S)
Marcia Toland (A)
Ruth Stebbing (A)
Yuuri Daiju (B)

MIXED CHOIR

Allan Loewen (T)
Carole Williams (A)
David Wilkie (B)
Ellen MacDonald (S)
Hanne Hoefs (T)
Heather Keny (S)
Hector MacKenzie (B)
Ian MacDonald (T)
John Robbins (B)
Lawrence Purdy (B)
Marcella Abrams (T)
Monique Levesque (S)
Sandra Neill (A)
Sandy Hobus (T)
Sonja Anderson
Stella Martin (A)
Sue Edelman (S)
Sue Langevin (S)
Trevor Ratcliff (B)
Wendy Jickling (A)

TREBLE CHOIR

Barbara Phillips (A)
Cara Sandulak (A)
Judy Pelchat (A)
Judy Ratcliffe (A)
Martie Welsh (A)
Michelle Paquet (A)
Pamela Lattin (A)
Sue Herbrick (A)
Agnes Riediger (S)
Catherine Simpson (S)
Cyrielle Laurent (S)
Erin Purdie (S)
Grace Mossop (S)
Jennifer Trapnell (S)
Kelsey Short (S)
Michèle Markley (S)
Wendy Nixon (S)