# TIMPANOGOS presents OMNOCIONAL Presents



# December 3rd at 7 PM American Fork Junior High





#### About the Choir

Timpanogos Chorale is dedicated to serving our communities by creating opportunities for Chorale members to experience beautiful, fun, and inspiring choral music from diverse cultures and genres while providing an encouraging environment in which our members can develop greater musical appreciation, talents and skills – and presenting such music to our local communities.

The Timpanogos Chorale was originally called the American Fork Civic Choir. It has also been called the American Fork Community Choir and the North Utah County Community Choir, among other names. It started back in 1963 under the direction of Kenneth J. Bird and Jack Larson. The local organization of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints had disbanded larger, regional choirs in order to encourage support for local congregation choirs. City Councilman F. Haw Durfey, later a prominent mayor of American Fork, asked the disheartened choir members if they would like to form the American Fork Civic Choir.

And thus it began. Alpine School District agreed to let them practice in the chorale room at the high school. By 1969 there were 80 members.

Join Us

Next Auditions- January 19, 2023 6:00pm to 6:55pm

Historic City Hall 31 N Church St in American Fork, UT

Come prepared with to sing a song of any genre or style. An accompanist will be provided. Audition includes a range check as well as some sight reading. Note: you don't need to be a skilled sight reader to join the choir!







#### Andrew Wheelwright, Director



Andrew Wheelwright started his musical career at the ripe old age of eight playing the role of Winthrop in Music Man. From there he went on to sing in several productions by the Santa Rosa Players including Mame, Scrooge, Half-past Wednesday, Brigadoon, and 7 Brides for 7 Brothers. His first venture into opera was as Amahl in Gian Carlo Menotti's Amahl and the Night Visitors under the tutelage of Dan Earl. Andrew later began his study of choral conducting under Mr. Earl while singing

in various choirs at Santa Rosa High School where he had the opportunity to direct the Men's Chorus.

He furthered his training by studying conducting with Ronald Staheli at Brigham Young University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Music. While at BYU, Andrew studied a wide range of musical subjects including voice, composition, choral arranging, and orchestration. He also sang with the BYU Concert Choir under the direction of Mack Wilberg and the BYU Singers under the direction of Ronald Staheli.

Andrew continued to participate in choral music after college by singing in various community choirs including Seattle Pro Musica and the Wasatch Chorale. He starred in My Father's Field, a musical about the colonization of the San Francisco Bay area produced in Oakland in 2011. Andrew has been a soloist in various choirs and was the Tenor soloist for the Redwood Empire Sing-Along Messiah. He's also continued his love for Menotti's Christmas operetta by singing the role of Melchior in the Santa Rosa Symphonic Chorus's production of Amahl and the Night Visitors. Most recently, Andrew sang the Baritone solo for Ralph Vaughan Williams' Fantasia on Christmas Carols, also with the Santa Rosa Symphonic Chorus.

Andrew is very passionate about bringing beautiful, powerful music to the community and has thoroughly enjoyed working with the enthusiastic singers of Timpanogos Chorale since January of 2015. He teaches private music lessons and supplements his music income by working as a software developer for FamilySearch International.

Morgan Hall, Assistant Director
Morgan Hall has always loved music and its power to
change lives. One of his first choral conducting
experiences that made him want to teach music
occurred while he was serving an ecclesiastical
mission to the people of Paraguay. Morgan received a
bachelor's degree in music from Utah State
University. He is grateful for the many people that
have influenced him in his musical career. Morgan is
excited to be working with the people in Timpanogos
Chorale.





Sheralyn Hess, Accompanist
Sheralyn Hess has been singing with and
accompanying choirs since the age of 14 (a VERY
long time ago in a galaxy far far away...) including
Canti con Brio, Utah Baroque Ensemble, Exultate,
Timpanogos Chorale, Stadium of Fire Chorus, and
multiple church groups. She graduated from Brigham
Young University and the University of Phoenix in
nursing. Besides being a musician, she is a wife to

Kendall Hess (tenor in the choir), mom to four wonderful men and their spouses, grandma to six of the cutest grandkids in the world, and a nurse at an awesome Intermountain pediatric office in American Fork. Music helps provide balance in her life. Special thanks to her friends and family for their love and support.

# Chorale Members

#### Soprano 1

Dianna Andersen

Blanca Fraser JoAnna Gill Ashley Humpherys Bev Irwin Debbi John Heidi Meibos Laurie Patterson Jetta Rasmussen Sarah Rollins Sandra Vermason Kara Ward

#### Soprano 2

Vera Alder Kristen Atwood **Emmalyn Bailey** Paige Bailey Kailey Baker Mandy Draper Julianne Etringer

#### Joy Fugal

Rebecca Gilbert **Brooke Gillis** Julie Harris Linda Larsen Emma Larson Esther Megargel Erin Peeples Kathy Peterson Lynette Rushton Rebekah Welsh Linda Wilkins-McGee

#### Alto 1

Krystal Bigler Mary Bonham Griselda Christiansen

#### **Donalyn Ford**

Lori Gilbert Morgan Hagey Anita Hanson Kayla Johnson Lorrie Lou Stark Sara Wheelwright

#### Alto 2

#### Chandalyn Carr

Lisa Durrant Kelli Goodrick Mary Johnson Raylene Jorgenson Paula Malone Amanda Morrill Melody Paskett Katherine Roth Melody Sullivan



#### Tenor 1

Edgar Hafen **Kendall Hess** Keith Lutes Cory Newey

#### Tenor 2

Chad Bailey **Barton Busath** Richard Kartchner David Rigby Joseph Scott Jared Swensen

#### **Baritone**

Ben Dolman Chris Draper Jacob Fugal Morgan Hall Alan Humpherys Dan Roth Randall Rupper Joshua Wheelwright

#### Bass

Bruce Armstrong Lee Fugal Michael Gilbert Dick Houskeeper Greg Swensen

**Bold** denotes section leaders

# Timpanogos Chorale Presents

#### A Festive Christmas Celebration

Traditional English, French, and Welsh Carols Arranged by Audrey Snyder

#### Christmas Bells

Lyrics by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow Music by David Zabriskie

#### Do You Hear What I Hear?

Lyrics by Noël Regney Music by Gloria Shayne Arranged by Emily Crocker

#### Whence is that Goodly Fragrance Flowing?

Lyrics by A. B. Ramsay and David Willcocks Traditional French Carol Arranged by David Willcocks





Baby What You Goin' to Be?

Lyrics and music by Natalie Sleeth

#### Sicut Cervus

Lyrics from Psalm 41:1 Music by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina Edited by Andrew Wheelwright

#### Hodie Christus Natus Est

Lyrics by Antiphon to the Magnificat Music by Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck Edited by Andrew Wheelwright

#### On with the Snow!

Lyrics by Mitchell Parish, Dick Smith, and Sammy Cahn Music by Leroy Anderson, Felix Bernard, Jule Styne Arranged by Douglas E. Wagner

#### 10 Minute Intermission

The Christmas Song

Lyrics by Robert Wells and Mel Torme Music by Mel Torme Arranged by Audrey Snyder and John Higgins



#### Christmas on Broadway

Lyrics by Meredith Wilson, Glen MacDonough, Oscar Hammerstein II, Jerry Herman, and Lynn Ahrens

#### White Christmas

Lyrics and music by Irving Berlin Arranged by Mac Huff and John Moss

#### All Bells in Paradise

Lyrics and music by John Rutter

#### O Holy Night

Lyrics by John Sullivan Dwight
Music by Adolphe Adam
Arranged by Mary Jamerson and Andrew Wheelwright

#### Come, Lord Jesus

Lyrics and music by Savior of the World: His Birth and Resurrection
Arranged by Daniel McDavitt

The Lord Bless You and Keep You Lyrics from Num. 6:24-26 Music by Peter C. Lufkin

# Concert Notes

#### A Festive Christmas Celebration

"I Saw Three Ships" Dating back to the 17th century, the lyrics of this tune refer to three ships sailing into Bethlehem. This is thought to originate in the three ships that bore the purported relics of the Biblical magi to Cologne Cathedral in the 12th Century.

"Ding Dong Merrily on High" The tune first appeared as a secular dance inn a dance book written by French cleric, composer, and writer Jean Tabourot. The words are by George Ratcliff Woodward, who took an interest in church bell ringing.

"Deck the Halls" Scotsman Thomas Oliphant wrote new lyrics to old melodies, fitting the mood of the song. Where old Welsh lyrics of "Nos Galan" sang of the impending new year, Oliphant's folk composition in English lauded the onset of the Christmas holiday.

"We Wish You a Merry Christmas"- An English folk song from the 1500s is a remnant of a time when poor carolers would hit up wealthy listen for handouts. This is an awfully ardent demand for a Christmas song, so it's meant to be sung with a certain degree of joshing.

#### **Christmas Bells**

Written by widower, father of six children Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. His wife had died from burns when her dress caught fire. His son had been severely wounded in the Civil War-nearly paralyzed. He wrote a poem seeking to capture the dynamic and dissonance in his own heart and the world he observed around him that Christmas day.

#### Do You Hear What I Hear?

Noel and Gloria (Shayne) Regney wrote this song as a timeless Christmas prayer for peace during the Cuban Missile Crisis. As a WWII vet, he worried about his family as things teetered on the brink on nuclear war and wanted to think of something else— Christmas— the time of peace of earth and good will.

# Concert Notes-continued

#### Whence is that Goodly Fragrance Flowing?

From an old French Nativity Carol, George William Septimus Piesse had arranged familiar scents along musical scales, possibly wanting to evoke a fragrance of such overwhelming, perfect beauty that to smell it steals away all other sense, drawing them all in the perfect harmony of the incarnate God.

#### Baby, What You Going to Be?

Natalie Sleeth's work features a mysterious keyboard accompaniment behind the flowing melody and questioning notes. Shifting dynamics and an effective key change remind us of the mystery and wonder of Jesus' birth.

#### **Sicut Cervus**

One of Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina's most famous pieces from the Renaissance, this motet that bases itself on the first two phrases from Psalm 42:1: "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after three, O God."

#### **Hodie Christus Natus Est**

A Christmas motet written by the Dutch composter and organist Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

#### **On With The Snow**

"Sleigh Ride" Leroy Anderson formed the original idea for the piece in the heat wave in July 1946, and he finished the work in February 1948. There are different arrangements.

"Winter Wonderland" A local man named Richard Smith wrote a poem in 1934. He was in a sanatorium being treated for tuberculosis. He showed his poem to his friend Felix Bernard, a Jewish musician. Felix was touched by the poem and composed a melody to go along with it. Main Christmas Concert

"Let It Snow" Sammy Cahn and June Style wrote this in Hollywood California during a heat wave as they imagined cooler conditions.

## Concert Notes-continued

#### **Christmas on Broadway**

"It's Beginning to Look Like Christmas" A popular belief in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, holds that Willson wrote the song while saying in Yarmouth's Grand Hotel. The song make reference to a 'tree in the Grand Hotel, one in the park as well.." the park being Frost Park directly cross the road from the Grand Hotel. It also make motion of the "five and ten" which was a store operating in Yarmouth at the time.

"Pine Cones and Holly Berries" In Willson's 1963 Broadway Musical "Here's Love," this new melody was added to "It's Beginning to Look Like Christmas" as a counterpoint to original song.

"Toyland March of the Toys" from "Babes in Toyland". The original production opened at the Chicago Grand Opera House in June 1903, produced by Hamlin and directed by Mitchell. It toured many east coast cities before opening in New York in October 1903 and ran for 192 performances, followed by many successful tour and revivals.

"My Favorite Things" from the Broadway musical "The Sound of Music." The lyrics actually make no mention of the holiday, only "silver white winters that melt into springs."

"We Need a Little Christmas" is a popular Christmas song originations form Jerry Herman's Broadway musical "Mame." Mame has lost her fortune in the Wall Street Crash of 1929 and declares that she, her young nephew Partick and her two household servants "need a little Christmas now" to cheer them up.

"God Bless Us Everyone" from A Christmas Carol In early 1990 Madison Square Garden approached composer Alan Menken to gauge his interest in writing a musical adaptation of Charles Dicken's *A Christmas Carol*. He assembled a dream team of collaborators to work on the project.

## Concert Notes-continued

#### The Christmas Song

According to Tormé this song was written in July during a blistering hot summer. In an effort to "stay cool by thinking cool this Christmas song was born.

#### White Christmas

First aired during the Kraft Music Hall radio show on December 25, 1941. Pearl Harbor had been attacked just a few weeks before. It was written by Irving Berlin, whose three week old son had died on Christmas day in 1928. He originally wrote it for the musical "Holiday Inn" and was included in White Christmas musical.

#### All Bells in Paradise

First performed during the 2012 King's College, Cambridge Festival of Nine Lesson and Carols. Rutter's gift for melody is evidenced throughout the work, with a sense of hushed awe leading to moments of glorious optimism.

#### O Holy Night

Fond memories of "O Holy Night" are closely associated with the English words translated from the original French by the Unitarian minister John Sullivan Dwight.

#### Come, Lord Jesus

"Savior of the World: His Birth and Resurrection" was written and composed under the direction of the First Presidency and the Quorum of the Twelve Apostle of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Many members throughout the Church contributed generously to this work: David Warner, Cynthia Collier, Erik Orton, Dennis Packard, Sherry Wadham, Timothy Wadham, and David Zabriskie.







# Upcoming Concerts

#### Away In A Manger: A Worldwide Crèche Exhibit

Friday, December 9 at 7:15pm. Free Admission

LDS Chapel at 1320 W 3540 N, Pleasant Grove, UT

Come listen to sacred music commemorating the presence and blessing of Christ upon the Earth, closing with an audience sing-a-long of "The Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah"

#### **American Fork Public Library**

Friday, December 19 at 7:00pm. Free Admission

64 S 100 E, American Fork, UT

Timpanogos Chorale returns to the American Fork Library Rotunda with a shortened version of our main program and a community sing-a-long!



Check out our website for more information about our upcoming concerts as well as information on how you can support the choir!

www.timpanogoschorale.org/

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