The University of Oregon choral program provides a dynamic and enriching environment for choral musicians of all ability levels. Consistently promoting choral excellence while fostering a sense of community, each season hundreds of singers - both music majors and non-majors alike - form three choirs to study and perform a diverse body of outstanding choral repertoire.

The Chamber Choir is a highly select mixed chamber ensemble of 24-32 voices specializing in a cappella repertoire from the sixteenth through twenty-first centuries. Comprised of undergraduate and graduate students, the UO Chamber Choir has garnered international acclaim in recent years, winning First Prize at the 2013 Fleischmann International Trophy Competition at the Cork International Choral Festival in Cork, Ireland, and taking top honors in two categories at the 2011 Tallinn International Choral Festival in Tallinn, Estonia. In May 2015, the Chamber Choir was one of 10 choirs worldwide invited to compete at the 14th International Chamber Choir Competition in Marktoberdorf, Germany, where they received second prize overall, won a special prize for the best interpretation of the compulsory work, and were the only student group to achieve a Level I recognition for an "excellent performance at the international level." Following the competition, they were honored to serve as the rehearsal choir for the International Masterclass for Choral Conductors at the Bavarian Music Academy under the leadership of Volker Hempfling (Germany) and Jonathan Velasco (Phillipines).

In 2014 the Chamber Choir became a resident ensemble at the Oregon Bach Festival, performing each summer under the direction of Matthew Halls and Helmuth Rilling. In addition, they have performed through juried audition at state and divisional conferences for the American Choral Directors Association and the National Association for Music Education. In July 2017, the Chamber Choir culminated a two-week concert tour of Spain with appearances at the World Symposium on Choral Music in Bacelona.

Repertoire Singers serves as a recital and laboratory chorus for the graduate students in conducting. They perform choral works from all styles and periods in concert once or twice each term. Members come from a wide range of majors across many disciplines.

University Singers is the premier large choral ensemble on campus, with a choral tradition at the University of Oregon extending back to 1945. The University Singers perform choral music from all periods and styles, with concerts both on and off campus. Members are experienced singers representing a wide variety of majors from across campus. The University Singers frequently have the opportunity to perform with instrumental ensembles such as the University Symphony Orchestra, the Oregon Wind Ensemble, and the Eugene Symphony Orchestra.

The intensive training provided by the choral program complements the core curriculum of the School of Music and Dance, and balances the broad spectrum of liberal arts disciplines offered at the University of Oregon.

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OREGON UNIVERSITY OF

CHAMBER CHOIR

Sharon J. Paul, conductor

UNIVERSTIY SINGERS

Melissa Brunkan, conductor

Beall Concert Hall Saturday, December 2, 2017 | 7:30 p.m.



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Soprano

Cera Babb
Claire Buchanan
Brittany Case
Bailey Halleen
Morgan Paige
Rachel Petty
Elizabeth Reynaud
Alycia Thatcher

Alto

Lydia Burkett
Maddy Gourlay
Kelly Hefty
Alexa McCuen
Marjorie Sheiman
Jamie Smith
Isabel Valle
Carly Walker

Tenor

Evan Hathaway
Ransom Hovekamp
Carson Lott
Kyle Ludwig
Evan Miles
Everett Nash
Luis Rivera
Paul John Rudoi

Bass

Beau Baumann
James Brown
Dylan Bunten
Seven Converse
Zari Crier
Dane Johnsen
David Johnston
Benjamin Pramuk

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Soprano

Lauren Duplessie Elise Englemann Michelle Giessinger Katie Golab Olivia Hill Alyana Hogan Nadia Medeiors Ellie Nickson Abigail Prawitz Lindsey Quigley Tracy Reasoner Nikki Sandoval Natalie Schmahl Jessica Searl Chloe Smithson Abbie Winn

Alto

Molly Anderson Kayla Davis Lilly French Abigail Kellems Lillia LaCavalier Lily LaChapelle Joanna Mann Arie Markowitz Julissa Martinez Ivy McClure Casey McGuire Callista Sack Hilary Smith Katrina Tabor Sammy Van Handel Marshall Verney Katherine Yujing Wang Sally Wang

Tenor

Seth Berdahl
Bradley Burdick
Nathan Case
Octavio Dowling
Connor Eyler
Zach Fitzgerald
Seth Greenberg
Logan Ronlov
Ethan Shafer
Joshua Simon
Ryan Strong

Bass

Justus Armstrong Brogan Bracelin Max Brewer Alexander Gao Lincoln Hopkins Thomas Janssen Andrew Lester Payton Lommers Braden Prillwitz Elijah Rios Ismael Sandoval PROGRAM + TEXT + TRANSLATIONS

Auld Lang Syne

Text attributed to: Robert Burns (1759-1796)

Traditional Scottish

arr. Mark Sirett (b. 1952)

Should old acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind?
Should old acquaintance be forgot, and old lang syne?

For auld lang syne, my dear, for auld lang syne, we'll take a cup of kindness yet, for auld lang syne.

And surely you'll buy your pint cup! and surely I'll buy mine!
And we'll take a cup o'kindness yet, for auld lang syne.

We two have run about the slopes, and picked the daisies fine; But we've wandered many a weary foot, since auld lang syne.

We two have paddled in the stream, from morning sun till dine;
But seas between us broad have roared since auld lang syne.

And there's a hand my trusty friend! And give me a hand o'thine! And we'll take a right good-will draught, for auld lang syne.

Papa Loko

Papa Loko, you are the wind. Carry us! We are butterflies. We are bringing the news to Agwe (the spirit of the sea).

And my eyes have seen everything that is good. And my eyes have seen everything that is bad.

The message comes from above, from Papa Loko, we are the wind.

Traditional Haitian arr. Sten Källman (b. 1952)

Papa Loko is bringing news to us, and we are bringing the news to Agwe.

Butterflies, the road is long, but we will bring the news.

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Sim Shalom Max Janowski (1912-1991)

SoLo: Nadia Medeiros

Go, Tell It on the MountainChristmas Spiritual

arr. Stacey V. Gibbs (b. 1962)

Amanda Smith, conductor

Veni Sancte Spiritus KV 47Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

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SoLo: Arie Markowitz

SMALL GROUP: Katrina Tabor, Alyana Hogan, Molly Wang, Elise Engelmann

TENOR RECORDER: Amanda Smith

PERCUSSION: Paul Rudoi, Nick Soenyun, and Kathie Hsieh



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CHAMBER CHOIR TEXT AND TRANSLATIONS

Surrexit Christus Hodie

Samuel Scheidt (1587-1654)

Christ is risen today. Alleluia! For the comfort of all people. Alleluia! Rejoice in this Easter Day. Alleluia! Let us give thanks to God. Alleluia!

The Shepherd's Carol

We stood on the hills, Lady, Our day's work done, Watching the frosted meadows That winter had won.

The evening was calm, Lady, The air so still, Silence more lovely than music, Folded the hill.

There was a star, Lady, Shone in the night, Larger than Venus it was And bright, so bright.

Oh, a voice from the sky, Lady, It seemed to us then
Of God being born
In the world of men.

And so we have come, Lady, Our day's work done, Our love, our hopes, ourselves We give to your son.



Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

UNIVERSITY SINGERS TEXT AND TRANSLATIONS

Sim Shalom

Max Janowski (1912-1991)

Grant peace, goodness, and blessing; grace and kindness and compassion

Upon us and upon all Israel your people bless us our Father, all of us as one with light of your face. For with light of your face you gave to us,

Lord our God, the Torah of life and love of kindness and righteousness and blessing and compassion and life and peace. May it be good in your eyes to bless your people Israel at every time and at every hour with your peace. Blessed are you Lord who blesses his people Israel.

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Christmas Spiritual arr. Stacey V. Gibbs (b. 1962)

Go tell is on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere. Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born. When I was a seeker, I sought both night and day. I asked the Lord to help me. And he showed me the way. They found a lowly manger Where humble Christ was born And God send our salvation, That blessed Christmas morn.

Veni Sancte Spiritus KV 47

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Come Holy Spirit: fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle your love in them.

You have gathered the nations together in a unity of faith. Alleluia.

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CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG

JOY TO THE WORLD

Joy to the World, the Lord has come! Let earth receive her King; Let every heart prepare Him room, And Heaven and nature sing, And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the World, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love

DECK THE HALLS

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa la la la, la la la la. Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Don we now our gay apparel, Fa la la, la la la, la la la. Troll the ancient Yuletide carol, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

See the blazing Yule before us, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Strike the harp and join the chorus. Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Follow me in merry measure, Fa la la la la, la la la la. While I tell of Yuletide treasure, Fa la la la, la la la la. Fast away the old year passes, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Hail the new, ye lads and lasses, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

Sing we joyous, all together, Fa la la la la, la la la la. Heedless of the wind and weather, Fa la la la, la la la

SILENT NIGHT

Silent night! holy night! All is calm all is bright Round yon virgin mother and child Holy infant so tender and mild Sleep in heavenly peace! Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night! holy night!
Son of God love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth
Jesus, Lord at thy birth

Silent night! holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia
Christ the Saviour is born
Christ the Saviour is born!



The Wild Mountain Thyme

"The Braes of Balquidder"
And Francis McPeake's (1885-1971) 1957 version.
"Will Ye Go, Lassie, Go?"
Arr. Reginald Unterseher (b.1956)

Oh, the summertime is comin', And the hills are sweetly bloomin', And the wild mountain thyme Grows around the bloomin' heather! Will ye go, lassie, go?

And we'll all go together
To pull wild mountain thyme?
All around, the bloomin' heather,
Will ye go, lassie, go?

Traditional Scottish arr. Reginald Unterseher (b. 1956)

I will build my love a bower By yon clear, crystal fountain, And on it, I will pile All the flowers of the mountain. Will ye go, lassie, go?

And we'll all go together
To pull wild mountain thyme!
All around, the bloomin' heather!
Will ye go, lassie, go?

If my true love, she must leave me, I will never find another.

No more wild mountain thyme grows Where she lies below the heather.

Must ye go?

Will ye go?

Seinn O

Traditional Scottish
J. David Moore (b. 1962)

The fiddler is coming tonight
The girls will get a tune
The fiddler is coming tonight
Tonight, the fiddler is coming

The bailiffs are after me
The joiners are after me
The bailiffs are after me
I won't have anyone but the tailor

I will go across the river
I will come back across the river
I will go across the river
Visiting the tailor



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Sügismaastikud (Autumn Landscapes)

Veljo Tormis (1930-2017)

I. On hilissuvi (It Is Late Summer)
The fragrant meadowsweet and buttercup and thistledown.
It's late in summer, it's late in summer.

And berries ripe on rowan branches, And heather in the pine tree grove.

And this same summer will ne'er return here. Will ne'er return here, this same summer.

VI. Külm sügisöö (Cold Autumn Night) Cold autumn night moon Like an atypical coin Glittering seaward

VII. Kanarbik (Heather)
Sad purple heatherbell franticly blazes,
Capturing aftermost flickering sunlight.

And all else is as ever, as ever the meadows, As ever the roads, only over them burning, Flaring a planet aflame.

Izar Ederrak

The beautiful star
That shines along in the high heavens,
She's not along,
She has friends that God gives her.

She has seven angels, The eighth is sick. They brought seven Indian doctors from Madrid.

The beautiful star
That shines alone in the high heavens,
She's not alone,
She has friends that God gives her.

One doctor says about the angel: "This is the heartbreak in her soul."

Josu Elberdin (b. 1976)

Leron, Leron Sinta

Leron, Leron my dear,
Blossoms of the papaya tree,
With a bamboo basket,
He'd gather some fruits.
But when he reached the top (of the tree),
The branch broke.
Oh, what a trick of fate,
He had to search for another.

Wake up, neneng; Let's pick some tamarind fruits. Take the bamboo baskets, To put the ripe ones in. Upon reaching the top (of the tree), The branches swayed heavily. Hold on tight, neneng, As you might fall.

The one I will love
Is a fearless man.
He has seven guns
And nine knives.
The journey he will take
Is the distance of a table.
A plate of noodles is his foe!

Traditional Filipino Folk Song arr. Saunder Choi (b.1988)



