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Monday, May 6th, 2019 • 7:30 pm Ritsche Auditorium on the Campus of St. Cloud State University



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# Program

Jody Martinson • Conductor, Minnesota Center Chorale
Catharine Bushman • Conductor, St. Cloud Municipal Band
Lowell Larson • Associate Conductor, St. Cloud Municipal Band
Sean Jacobson • Pianist

St. Cloud Municipal Band: To Walk With Wings  Julie Giroux
Minnesota Center Chorale:  I Dream a World  Dwight Bigler
Singin' in the Rain
Frostiana  I. Road not Taken  VII. Choose Something Like a Star  Traditional Irish Tune, arr. by Travis Cross  Randall Thompson  Poetry by Robert Frost (1874-1963)
St. Cloud Municipal Band: INTERMISSION
Fairest of the FairJohn Philip Sousa Highlights from The Music ManMeredith Wilson, arr. Reed
Minnesota Center Chorale & St. Cloud Municipal Band:  Stomp Your Foot & The Promise of Living  from The Tender Land  libretto by Horace Everett, a pseudonym for Erik Johns
The Building Me a HomeTraditional Spiritual, arr. Anthony Trecek-King Until I Reach My HomeTraditional Folk Tune, arr. Brandon A. Boyd
St. Cloud Municipal Band: Danzon from Fancy FreeLeonard Bernstein, arr. John Krance
Minnesota Center Chorale & St. Cloud Municipal Band:  I Hear America SingingAndré J. Thomas

## St. Cloud Municipal Band Members

#### FLUTE

\*Janel Binsfeld • Teacher

Jackie Helm • Service Coordinator

Linda Holman

Casey Wegman • Nurse

Rachel Zierden • Stay at Home Mom

#### CLARINET

Vicki Johnson • Urban Planner

Gail Ivers • Chamber of Commerce

Katie Johnson • Private Music Teacher

Joseph Mueller • Urban Planner

Jim Murphy • Legal Assistant

\*Mike Murphy • Attorney

Jackie Smith • Retired French Teacher

Michelle Ziemer Gehrls • Referral Prior Authorization Assistant

Aleesha Zins-Habstritt

Accounts Payable

#### OBOE

Gina Bryant • Education

\*Mary Edwards • Economist

#### **BASS CLARINET**

Bruce Cairns • Warehousing

#### ALTO SAX

\*Bob Bach

• Building & Remodeling

Harvey Binder

Mike Knaak

#### TENOR SAX

Roger Klaphake • Judge

Royce Nies • Financial Advisor

#### **BARI SAX**

Patric Lewandowski

• Graphic Designer

#### TRUMPET

Lucy Amundson • Project
Administrator/Bookkeeper

\*Bruce Linnemeyer

• Real Estate Agent

Brad Loeks

• Inside Sales Manager

Bernice Redman

 Substitute Teacher/ Admin Asst.

\*Tom Pattock • Retired Teacher/ Musician

Brad Savola • Substitute Teacher

Jim Sutton • Teacher

#### **FRENCH HORN**

Vicki Davis • E.D. Humane Society

Kevin Dunn • Retired Minister

David Gouker • Retired

Janet Haviland

Business Owner

#### TROMBONE

Lance Gaskill • Retired Band
Director/FedEx Driver

\*Paul Habstritt

Project Manager/Radio DJ

Megan Morstad • Registered Nurse

Jenna Scheevel • Music Teacher

Todd Skeate • Loan Review Officer

#### **EUPHONIUM**

Tammy Krogstad

• Client Service Rep

Lowell Larson

Retired Music Educator

AnneMary Wielkiewicz

School Psychologist

#### TUBA

Mel Hauck

Retired Music Educator

Michael Hoover

• Software Engineer

\*Wavne Kuehl

Retired Music Educator

Scott Paris

• Construction Supervisor

#### **PERCUSSION**

Mary Bzdok

Michael Fernlund

Music Ed Student

\*Jim Janochoski

Sales Manager

Bob Kern • Retired

Josiah Torvik • Music Teacher

\* Section Leader

# About the Chorale

## Who We Are

The Minnesota Center Chorale (MCC) is a regional community chorus drawing members from throughout central Minnesota into this 70 member choir to perform a mixture of classical and contemporary music. All the members are volunteers.

Works performed in past seasons included the amazing Bluegrass Mass with Monroe Crossing, Te Deum settings by Bruckner and Kodály; Requiems by Mozart, Brahms, and Verdi; Mass settings by Charles Gounod, Ethel Smyth, and Amy Beach; Paul McCartney's Liverpool Oratorio; and programs entitled The Emerald Isle (with collaborative guests Ring of Kerry), The Reluctant Dragon, and We Remember – a memorial concert for 9/11 with the Land of Lakes Choirboys. Other concerts include Hold Out Your Light: A Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr., A Broadway Valentine and a concert with the St. Cloud Municipal Band - From Sea to Shining Sea, an effort to honor war veterans. Past residencies include composer Caleb Wenzel with the premiere of the MCC commission of "Psalm 150", commissioned work, "Nightlines" by Flannery Cunningham, a premiere of the commissioned work "Songs of War and Peace" by Judith Shatin, Korean American composer Yung-wha Son with "Song of Diaspora", English composer David Fanshawe and a performance of his "African Sanctus", and Mary McAuliffe from Ireland for a performance of her "Return to Old Ireland".

# The History of MCC

The Minnesota Center Chorale's first season was launched in 1973 at a full house performance of the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah at the Benedicta Arts Center. The first concert was a collaboration with the CSB-SJU Symphony Orchestra. For four decades since then, it has been in continuous operation. Under the baton of founder, Philip Welter, followed by Dr. J. Michele Edwards and Jody Martinson, the Minnesota Center Chorale has provided audiences in the region with hundreds of concerts. Minnesota Center Chorale is excited to present our 46th concert season and thankful to the Central Minnesota community for your continued support!

# The Guest Artistic Directors

#### Garrett Lathe, March Concert

Together with area choir conductors, Garrett Lathe founded the Youth Chorale of Central Minnesota in 2005 and has served as its Artistic Director since that time. He also conducts Cantanti and the Chamber Singers. Mr. Lathe was in the education field for seventeen years, serving as a high school choir director in northern and Central Minnesota in Bagley, Staples-Motley, and Sartell. In Sartell, Mr. Lathe also served as Department Chair, founded the Sartell Elementary Choir, and saw the high school choral program double in size in his thirteen year tenure. In addition to his responsibilities with YCCM, Mr. Lathe is the middle school choir director for the Sauk Rapids-Rice school district. He is also involved in local theater with his family. He is a graduate of Bemidji State University under the mentorship of Paul Brandvik, and is a member of the National Association for Music Education, Minnesota Music Educators Association, and is a member and has served on the Executive Board of the American Choral Directors Association of Minnesota.

#### Jody Martinson, May Concert

Jody Martinson is a conductor, singer and voice teacher who sang with Minnesota Center Chorale under the direction of Phil Welter and in ensembles led by Axel Theimer and Lee Nelson. She has taught choirs at the high school and college levels and currently directs the Adult, Children and Handbell Choirs at Church of the Holy Spirit in St. Cloud, where she also serves as cantor and accompanist. Jody has appeared as a soloist for MCC, St. John's Boys' Choir, St. Cloud Municipal Band, Rock City Jazz Band, Great River Chorale, Bach Society of MN outreach program, Sauk Center Community Choir, and the world Premiere of "The Navigator" -an oratorio by Flannery Cunningham. Her theatrical roles include, "Mother" in Amahl and the Night Visitors, "Laurie" in Oklahoma, "Sr. Leo" in Nunsense, and "Sandy" in Grease. She has been a private voice teacher since 1997, teaching at Central Lakes College, Central Minnesota Music School, and Al's Music, and now teaches voice and piano in a home studio. Jody received her B.A. in Music Education and Vocal Performance from the College of St. Benedict and an M.M. in Choral Conducting from St. Cloud State University.

# The Choir

#### SOPRANO

Elaine Anderson
Paulette Anderson
Susan Atamian
by Louise Muggli

Dawn Blonigen

Debra Brinkman by Andy & Dru Faith

Laura Capes

Mary Kay Carle

by Catharine Van Nostrand by Jerry & Patty Wetterling

Beverly Fiereck

Mary Gilbert

Mary Kaeter

Mariana Kennedy-Lysen

Anne McCarney

Kendra Penke

Cherie Ploof

Rosemary Roehl

#### **ALTO**

Karen Bellmont Susan Clarke Lynn Davis by Leslie Mulder

Michelle Dettmann

Carla Durand

Jill Fox

by Louise Muggli

Amanda Goedeke

by Aaron Goedeke by Renee Goedeke by Todd Rowe

Kayla Goering

Ruth Grelson

Heidi Hansen

Lois Head

by Richard Greenstreet by Chuck Head

by Harlan Jacobson
by Byron & Joanne John

Lila Heins

Denise Honkomp

Carla Johnson

Hanna Mahan

Rachel Mohs

Deb Parrott

Veronica Soine

Elisabeth Watkins

by Patrick & Susan Connolly

Dawn Winter

#### **TENOR**

Randy Borash

Dan Carle

by Jerry & Patty Wetterling

**Greg Casey** 

Michael Janey

Andrew Kendall

Tom Lanz

Keith Larson

Josh Lashinski

David McCandless Paul Neslund Ted Venske James Vierzba

Gary Whitford Holey

#### BASS

Paul Ampe
Mark Braun
Brian Groth
Randy Johnson
Dennis Larson
Gerard Lashinski
Barry Schommer
Roger Towler



Madelaine Padula, Student Assistant, 1st Semester

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Accompanist



Sean Jacobson is excited to return to the Minnesota Center Chorale as an accompanist this year. Sean serves as the elementary band director for All Saints Academy, St. Francis Xavier School, St. Katharine Drexel School, and St. Mary Help of Christians School. In addition to his work as a band director, Sean is an active collaborative pianist and trumpeter, serving as accompanist for the St. John's Boys' Choir, trumpeter in the Amadeus Chamber Symphony, and playing with numerous groups in the region, including GREAT Theatre, Curtain Call Community Theater, and Great Northern Theater. He also has a great deal of experience as a liturgical musician and currently serves as accompanist at St. Michael's Church and Grace United Methodist Church. Sean graduated from St. John's University in 2013 with a degree in Instrumental Music Education, where he studied piano with Dr. Ed Turley and trumpet with Dr. Dale White. Sponsored in admiration of your keyboard skills

Operations Coordinator

Michelle Dettmann is a native of St. Cloud and graduate of Apollo High School, where she participated in choir, band, orchestra and theater. She attended Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, graduating with a degree in Elementary Education and a minor in music. She has been a member of the alto section of the Minnesota Center Chorale since the fall of 1995. Michelle recently obtained her MBA/Master of Arts in Management dual degree from the College of St. Scholastica.

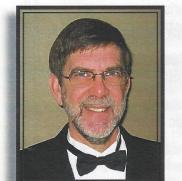
#### **CATHARINE SINON BUSHMAN**

Catharine is the Wind Ensemble Conductor and Assistant Professor of Music Education at St. Cloud State University. Previously, Dr. Bushman served on the faculty of Winthrop University where she led the Symphonic Band, taught graduate and undergraduate courses in music education, and supervised student interns. Dr. Bushman began her teaching career as Director of Bands at Crystal Lake Central High School in Crystal Lake, Illinois. She was an Assistant Director of Bands at Lassiter High School in Marietta, Georgia from 1998-2007:

Dr. Bushman received a DMA in Wind Conducting at The University of Texas at Austin in 2012. She holds degrees in Music Education from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Northwestern University. She maintains an active schedule as a guest conductor, adjudicator, and clinician for marching and concert bands. In 2009, she presented a



clinic at the Texas Music Educators Conference, sharing her research on a successful band program in a disadvantaged southwest Texas community. Her academic interests include Igor Stravinsky's Symphonies of Wind Instruments, cultural issues in music education, and music teacher mentoring.



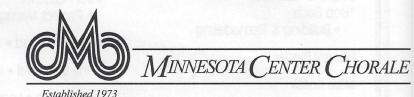
#### **Lowell Larson**

Lowell received a Bachelor of Science degree in music education from Bemidji State University in 1979. He taught instrumental music grades 5-12 in Royalton, MN for 7 years. He then moved to Annandale Public Schools in 1986 to teach classroom music, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade middle school bands, jazz band, and marching band at both the middle and high school levels. While at Annandale, he received his master's degree in music education from St. Cloud State University in 1989. He retired in 2013 after 27 years of teaching at Annandale.

Lowell's role in the St. Cloud Municipal Band has varied from playing euphonium and trombone, co-directing for 10 years, and serving as associate conductor since the fall of 2009. He had the privilege of conducting the band on its 2014 tour of Germany, Austria, and Italy.

He resides in Clearwater, MN with his wife and has three adult children with seven grandchildren.





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