

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

2024 CHORAL FALL CONCERT

FEATURING

UNIVERSITY SINGERS + VOCAL ACCORD

Dr. Heather J. Buchanan, *conductor*

Steven W. Ryan, *accompanist*

GUEST ARTISTS

Abby Brodnick MM '24, *soprano*



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

3PM

ALEXANDER KASSER THEATER

Daniel Gurskis
Dean, College of the Arts

Anthony Mazzocchi
Director
John J. Cali School of Music

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PROGRAM



VOCAL ACCORD

With a Spark

Maeve Marron, Dillan Dabice, Sabrina Cantatore,
Alain Altshuler, Aizhan Soltanova, *soloists*

Katerina Gimon (b. 1993)

“There is a Girl” from *Here I Am*

Jocelyn Hagen (b. 1980)



The Peace of Wild Things

Poem by Wendell Berry (b. 1934)

Jake Runestad (b. 1986)

Alleluia

Runestad



Abby Brodnick '24, *soprano*

Steven W. Ryan, *accompanist*

Vorrei spiegarvi, oh Dio!

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756 – 1791)

Amor

From *Bretano Lieder, Op. 68, No. 5*

Richard Strauss (1864 - 1949)

The Doll Song

From *Les Contes d'Hoffman*

Jacques Offenbach (1819 – 1880)



INTERMISSION



SCAN QR CODE FOR TEXT & TRANSLATIONS + PERFORMER BIOGRAPHIES

UNIVERSITY SINGERS

Messiah

George Frideric Handel (1685 – 1759)

And He shall purify

O Thou that tellest

Gabrielle Guida, *mezzo-soprano*

For unto us a child is born

He trusted in God



Let My Love Be Heard

Runestad

Poem by Alfred Noyes (1880-1958)



Please Stay

Runestad

Text adapted from tweets using #IKeptLiving

Chloe Stavis, *soloist*



Hands

Hagen

Commissioned by the 11th World Symposium on Choral Music, Barcelona 2017

Christine Tanko, *soprano*, Benjamin Silvesti, *tenor*



PLEASE JOIN US ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH AT 3 PM FOR **RAISING HER VOICE!**,
THE 2024 BEATRICE CRAWFORD MEMORIAL CONCERT.

FEATURING THE CHORALE, VOCAL ACCORD, AND UNIVERSITY SINGERS PERFORMING REPERTOIRE
BY CONTEMPORARY FEMALE COMPOSERS.

TICKETS ARE FREE AND AVAILABLE AT THE BOX OFFICE NOW! **#WEAREMADEOFSONG**

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Soprano I

Alain Altshuler
Jenna Ferrera
Mia Grizzuti
Maya Henry
Megan Huber
Sabina Kunze
Victoria Mango
Maeve Marron
Madelynn McDevitt
Olivia Meyer
Hailey Morin
Brooke Raughton

Alto I

Elinet Brito
Sabrina Cantatore
Alicia Gadek
Melanie Gilbert
Gabrielle Guida ^^
Emma Hinz
Karina Kilbashian
Melanie Lockwood
Gabiella Megale
Izzy Ortiz
Sydney Swearengin ^
Alexa Tabbacchino *

Tenor I

Jeffrey Castellano
Ezra McMurren
Eddie Morel
Samuel Sanchez
Claire Westling
Jamie Yermish

High Baritone

Brian Corona
Jonas Cruz-Morales
Kevin Gilroy
Luis Grados
Tyler Kriney
Dean Tarriff
Joey Staltari
Yadiel Rivera-Colon
Perry Zoe

Soprano II

Hannah Bogard
Cristina Clare
Brianna Coppolino
Dillan Dabice *
Anna Kodak
Julia Krempasky
Christmas Lamoureux
Abigail Montesino
Kathryn Radcliffe
Aizhan Soltanova
Taryn Spoto
Chloe Stavis
Sarah Sweeney
Christine Tanko

Alto II

Gabrielle Cintrón
Laurel Cousineau
Suriya-Ali Crowe
Arianna Joseph +
Taylor Kitzman
Mari Wiley

Tenor II

Oren Coheno
Thomas Etts
Royalty Roberts
Nate Robin *
Benjamin Silvesti

Bass-Baritone

Omar Abdallah *
Ryan Avallone
RJ Chandler
Sean Johnson
Ian Kearney
Jake McCreery
Alan Pinzon
Elvin Santana Roa
Julio Santiago

^ - Graduate Assistant

^^ - Teaching Assistant

* - Section Leader

+ - Manager

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UPCOMING CHORAL/VOCAL PERFORMANCES

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MSU Chamber Opera

Hansel & Gretel

Saturday, December 7, 2023 @ 3 & 6pm

Karen Driscoll, *director*; William Hobbs, *conductor*
Alexander Kasser Theater

Beatrice Crawford Memorial Concert – *Raising Her Voice!*

University Singers + Vocal Accord + Chorale

Sunday, December 15, 2024 @ 3 pm

Alexander Kasser Theater

Messiah

University Singers + New Jersey Symphony

Friday, December 20, 2024 @ 8pm - Richardson Auditorium, Princeton

Saturday, December 21, 2024 @ 8 pm – Richardson Auditorium, Princeton

Sunday, December 22, 2024 @ 7pm – Cathedral Basilica, Newark

The Planets

MSU Prima Voce + NJS

Thursday, January 30, 2025 @ 7:30pm – Prudential Hall, NJPAC

Friday, January 31, 2025 @ 8pm – Prudential Hall, NJPAC

Saturday, February 1, 2025 @ 8pm – Prudential Hall, NJPAC

Sunday, February 2, 2025 @ 8 pm – Mayo PAC, Morristown

Xian Zhang, *conductor*

MSU Opera with MSU Symphony Orchestra

La Calisto

Saturday, February 1, 2025 @ 8 pm + Sunday, February 2, 2025 @ 3 pm

Rebecca Jo Loeb, *director*; Kyle Ritenauer, *conductor*

Alexander Kasser Theater

Beethoven 9

Chorale + MSU Symphony Orchestra + Featured Soloists

Saturday, March 22, 2025 @ 8pm

Alexander Kasser Theater

Choral Showcase #*Inspired!*

University Singers + Vocal Accord + Guest Choirs

Sunday, March 23, 2025

Alexander Kasser Theater

Beethoven 9

Chorale + NJS

Thursday, April 3, 2025 @ 1:30pm – Prudential Hall, NJPAC

Friday, April 4, 2025 @ 8pm – Prudential Hall, NJPAC

Saturday, April 5, 2025 @ 8pm – Prudential Hall, NJPAC

Sunday, April 6, 2025 @ 8 pm – State Theater, New Brunswick

Xian Zhang, *conductor*

Celebrating the Music of Jake Runestad

University Singers + Vocal Accord + Chorale

Friday, April 25, 2025 @ 11:30am (High School Choral Concert)

Saturday, April 26, 2025 @ 8pm

Alexander Kasser Theater

SPECIAL THANKS

- Abby Brodnick '24, alumna soloist, for sharing your artistic gift with a new generation of Red Hawks
- Stevie Ryan – collaborative partner par excellence
- Sydney Swearengin (GA) and Gabrielle Guida (TA) – for the many things you do in support of our choral program
- Rob Davidson for expert audio and video technical assistance
- MSU – ACDA Chapter and Choral Activities Student Leaders
- Phil Clifford and the Cali Production Team

The Cali School of Music
at Montclair State University
aims to create dynamic and
comprehensive pathways
to higher education
and careers in music

Cali name a seat project

goal

An opportunity for
School of Music
patrons to name one
or more of the 180
permanent seats in the
Leshowitz Recital Hall.



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#WeAreMadeofSong

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+ GUEST ARTISTS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE, BERGENFIELD HS TREBLE CHOIR, CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

HEATHER J. BUCHANAN, CONDUCTOR; STEVEN W. RYAN, PIANIST

INFO



PERFORMING

Here I Am – Jocelyn Hagen (East Coast Premiere)

Illuminare – Elaine Hagenberg

Undivided – Karen Marroli (East Coast Premiere)

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