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Holiday Jubilee



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The music on tonight's concert is of a wide variety of styles: sacred and secular, traditional and contemporary, solemn, nostalgic, lighthearted and reflective. There are as many different types of music as there are different types of people in the chorus - or in the audience. Yet all are valid expressions of the spirit of the season and all bring a unique perspective to the celebration.

We may be different because of our upbringing, our tastes, our strengths and weaknesses, our wants and needs. This diversity, however, when brought to Our shared experience, colors and enlivens in a way that sameness can not. We are bigger and better people because we've come into contact with each other.

We hope there is something on tonight's program that touches you or makes you smile and that our music brightens your spirit. Our bigger wish for you this season is one of warmth and contentment, personal satisfaction and fulfillment, the love of family and friends, and much happiness in the New Year.

It has been a distinct pleasure for me to have been associated with the men and women of the Orlando Gay Chorus for a short time this fall as interim Director and to share the stage with them tonight in this great celebration of music. I thank them for their dedication and commitment, their playful spirit, and their sense of purpose and power and pride. It's been a pleasure.

Dr. David L. Brunner

Presidential Greeting

Greetings friends!

On behalf of the entire Orlando Gay Chorus family, we are delighted that you are spending the evening with us. Tonight we will warm your hearts, rekindle fond memories of years past and give you new ones to take with you.

OGC begins its 10th season with Holiday Jubilee and we are grateful to those who have assisted us on this journey. For returning friends, we're glad you've made us part of your tradition at this busy time of year. To our first time patrons, let us start by welcoming you to our circle of friends. To our partners and families who encourage us to continue our commitment to this wonderful group, you are our inspiration. We wish you all peace, love, and joy. Sit back, open your hearts and let the celebration begin.

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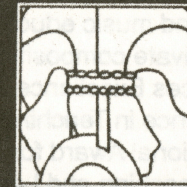
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Dr. David L. Brunner, Artistic Director

David L. Brunner is a respected conductor, clinician, composer and teacher whose wide and uniquely varied expertise embraces professional, university, public school, community, church and children's choruses. Dr. Brunner is Associate Professor and Director of Choral Activities at the University of Central Florida, where he conducts the University Chorus, Madrigal Singers and Vocal Jazz Ensemble, teaches conducting and music education courses, supervises student teaching interns, and coaches private composition students. In 1995 he received both a College of Arts and Sciences Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award and the University Excellence in Teaching Award, UCF's highest teaching honor. In 1996 he received a National Award for College Teaching from the Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning. He has been Artistic Director and Conductor of Gloria Musicae, Florida's professional chorus; Guest Conductor of the Master Chorale of Tampa Bay, the Principal Chorus of the Florida Orchestra, and Music Director of the Florida Ambassadors of Music, which tours Europe biannually. His European appearances include performances at the Seminar fur Klassische Musik at the Eisenstadter Sommerakademie in Eisenstadt and Vienna, Austria, in St. Mark's Basilica, Venice, at St Martin-in-the-Fields and Wesley's Chapel, London, and at the Vatican for Pope John Paul II. His choirs have appeared at state and divisional conventions of both the American Choral Director's Association and the Music Educators National Conference. He has studied with Robert Shaw, and with Helmuth Rilling in conducting master classes at the Oregon Bach Festival. Dr. Brunner is President of the Florida chapter of the American Choral Directors Association

Kathy Slage, Accompanist

Kathy studied music at the University of Northern Colorado. She has worked with the Wekiva Players theater troupe, is a free-lance singer and instrumentalist and a performer with the Dickens Carolers. She teaches piano and flute in her home and at the Academy of Music & Theater in Winter Garden. She owns her own entertainment company, appropriately named Take Out Entertainment. She has played piano and keyboard for various OGC performances since 1995. She has a husband, Dan, and a daughter, Anna.

Pamela O'Bannon, Guest Narrator

Pamela is a full-time actress who can be seen frequently at Civic Theatres of Central Florida, Sleuth's Mystery Dinner Shows, and in Daytona at Seaside Music Theatre. She is honored to be "standing in" for her cousin, Jack Harrel, as the narrator for OGC's Holiday Concert. Jack passed away in June, but his rich, wonderful voice will be remembered by all. Happy Holidays!!

Our Performers

Tenor 1

Kim Bowles
Greg Bowman †
Janice Emmons
Russ Macomber
Jennifer Rossi
Frankie Valentine
Tim Verway •†
Bill Yahner

Tenor 2

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Baritone

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Tryouts for the Spring & Pride concert periods will be held January 5 & 12, 2000 at the First Unitarian Church of Orlando. Rehearsals begin at 7:35 PM with tryouts immediately following. This will be the last chance to join the chorus until the Holiday 2000 concert period. If you're interested in performing with OGC at GALA 2000 Festival in San Jose, CA, you must join us now! Call 407-841-SING for details.

Act One

Jubilant Gloria

(Music by Robert Seeley)

The Orlando Gay Chorus

I Saw Three Ships

(Mark Riese)

The Orlando Gay Chorus

Rise Up Shepherd & Follow

(Adapted & Arranged by Roger Emerson)

The Orlando Gay Chorus

Alleluia

(Randall Thompson)

The Orlando Gay Chorus

Do You Hear What I Hear?

(words & music Noel Regney & Gloria Shayne)

The Orlando Gay Chorus

soloist - Sue Ellen Fagan

Christmas Flourish

Arranged by Randol Bass

The Orlando Gay Chorus

soloist - Sue Ellen Fagan

Hallelujah Chorus

(F. Handel)

Arranged by F. Heath

The Orlando Gay Chorus

Act Two

Home For The Holidays

(Al Stillman/Robert Allen)

Arr. by Robert Seeley

The Orlando Gay Chorus

Deck The Halls In 7/8 Time

(Arr. by J. McKelvy)

T'TBB Arr. by B. Trusten

The Orlando Gay Chorus

Pretty Paper

(Words & Music by Willie Nelson)

soloist - Fred Berliner

Coming Out On Christmas

OUTLOUD!

Merry Christmas, Darling

OUTLOUD!

Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas

(Blane)

soloist - John Curley

Tomorrow Shall Be My Shopping Day

Words by Craig Sturgis

Arr. by Larry Moore

The Orlando Gay Chorus

Keep Christmas In Your Heart

Kevin Finn

Arr. by David Maddux

The Orlando Gay Chorus

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The Ericson fund has two basic goals: to ensure that no chorus member is prevented from participating in any chorus event due to health-related financial constraints; and to permit the chorus to assist local AIDS support groups and individuals challenged by this disease.

Please send donations to: The Orlando Gay Chorus, Paul R. Ericson Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 3103, Orlando, FL 32802. Your gift will keep Paul's dreams alive and be part of the powerful tradition born of our community's response to AIDS.

The Orlando Gay Chorus is an equal opportunity organization. OGC welcomes singers, supporters, and audience members of all genders, affectional preferences, races and ethnic origins.

For more information about OGC, write: Orlando Gay Chorus, P.O. Box 3103, Orlando, FL 32802; call (407) 841-SING; or visit us online at www.orlandogaychorus.org

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Please help keep our chorus singing. Consider joining the OGC Honor Roll. Your membership through a contribution will help ensure our success of promoting gay and lesbian pride through our choral excellence.

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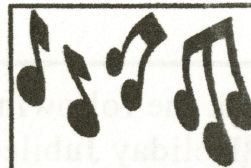
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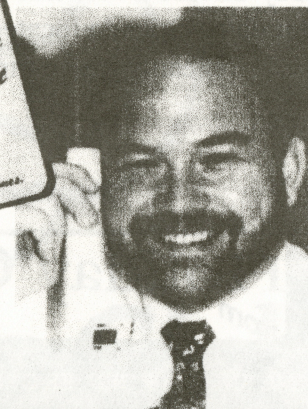
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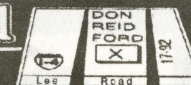
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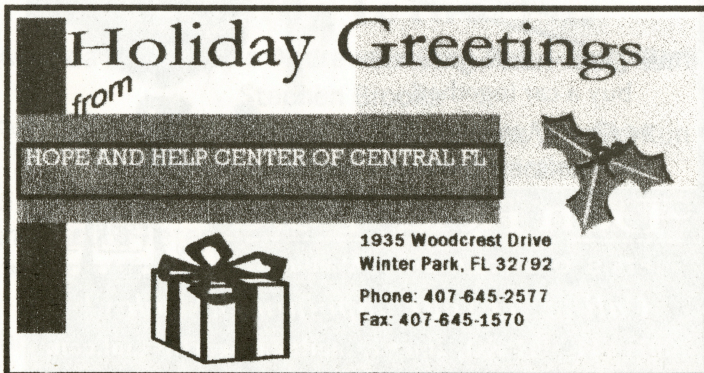
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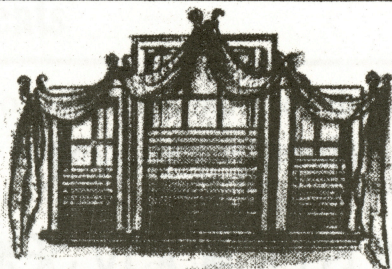


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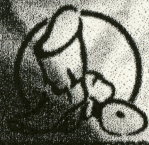
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Correction

Our sincere apologies to Suellen Fagin-Allen, whose name was misspelled in our program.

She will be our soloist for:

Christmas Flourish

There will be no soloist for:

Do You Hear What I Hear?

Addendum

Immediately following "Do You Hear What I Hear"

The Nativity

(Charles Callahan)

soloist - Suellen Fagin-Allen

Our musicians for this evening are:

Trumpets: Sean Brown, Sean Srigley, Matt Farrington

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Frombone: Dale Edwards, Jason Oliver

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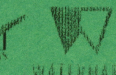
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