# The University of Alberta

# Gorcert Gkoir

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1982 Spring Tour Programme

# Tour Choir 1982

Leonard Ratzlaff
Carol Otto
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Conductor Guest Organist Guest Organist Pianist

### Soprano I

\*Donna Abbey Twylla Augustson Kathleen Grosfield Glenys Grundberg

\*Patti Irwin Elvie McInerney

#### Soprano II

Nicola Hrynyk
Pat Malchuk
Lee Meiklejohn
Ruth Mortimer
\*Lisa Trofymow
Shannon Wilkinson

#### Alto I

Monica Lacroix Carol McDonald \*Beth Raycroft

#### Alto II

Carmen Corbett
Mary-Ellen Davidson
Gail Olmstead
Dorothy Paterson
\*Beth Turnbull

#### Tenor

- \*Wayne Karpoff Robert Pardell
- \*Michael Snelgrove
- \*Wayne Welter
- \*Sandy Whiting

## Bass

Warren Albers
Allan Chykerda
Jon Eriksson
\*Laurier Fagnan
Jay Halls
\*Mark Israel
Dominique Roy
\*Marcus Schwabe

(\*... Soloist)

# The programme will be selected from the following repertoire.

-I-

Come I Pray Thee

W.H. Anderson(1882-1955)

Hosanna to the Son of David

Thomas Weelkes(d. 1623)

Ave Maria

Anton Bruckner(1824-1896)

Ave Maria gratia plena Dominus tecum. Benedictus tu in mulieribus et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta Maria, mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostræ. Amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee.

Thou art blessed among women

and blessed is Jesus, the fruit of thy womb.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and in the hour of our death.
(Liber Usualis)

# Jubilate Deo

Jubilate Deo, omnis terra, quia sic benedicetur homo, qui timet Dominum.
Deus Israel conjungat vos et ipse sit vobiscum.
Mittat vobis auxilium de sancto et de Sion tueatur vos.
Benedicat vobis Dominus ex Sion, qui fecit cælum et terram.
Servite Domino in lætitia.

# Giovanni Gabrieli (1557-1612)

Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands. For thus shall the man be blessed, that feareth the Lord.

May the God of Israel unite you and be with you.

May he send you help from his sanctuary, and strengthen you out of Zion.

The Lord shall bless you out of Zion, he that made heaven and earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

(various Psalms)

# -II-

# Rejoice in the Lamb (1943)

Benjamin Britten(1913-1976)

Chorus

Rejoice in God, O ye Tongues; give the glory to the Lord, and the Lamb. . .

Treble Solo

For I will consider my Cat Jeoffry. . .

Alto Solo

For the Mouse is a creature of great personal valour.

Tenor Solo

For the flowers are great blessings. . .

Chorus

For I am under the same accusation with my Saviour.

Recitative (Bass Solo) and Chorus

For H is a spirit and therefore he is God. .

For the instruments are by their rhimes.

Chorus

Hallelujah from the heart of God, and from the hand of the artist inimitable.

(Christopher Smart)

INTERVAL

# -III-

Sechs Sprüche, Op. 79 No. 1 (1848)

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

1. Weihnachten (1845)

Frohlokket, ihr Völker auf Erden, und preiset Gott.

Der Heiland ist erschienen, den der Herr verheißen

Er hat seine Gerechtigkeit der Welt offenbaret.

Hallelujah!

Rejoice, all nations on earth, and praise God.

The Saviour hath appeared, as the Lord promised.

He hath revealed his righteous ess to the world.

Hallelujah!

2. Am Neujahrstage (1843)

Herr Gott, du bist unsre Zuflucht für und

Ehe denn die Berge worden.

und die Erde und die Welt erschaffen worden.

bist du Gott von Ewigkeit zu Ewigkeit. Hallelujah! Lord, thou hast been our refuge from generation to generation.

Before the mountains were brought forth, and the earth and world were created, from age to age everlasting thou art God. Hallelujah!

(Psalm 90:1)

3. Am Himmelfahrtstage (1846)

Erhaben, O Herr, über alles Lob, über alle Herrlichkeit, herrschest du von Ewigkeit zu Ewigkeit. Hallelujah! Be exalted, O Lord, above all praise and glory.
Thou rulest from eternity to eternity.
Hallelujah!

#### 4. In Der Passionszeit (1845)

Herr, gedenke nicht unsrer Übelthaten, und erbarme dich unseres Elends, Herr, der du unser Heiland bist, stehe uns bei,

erlöse uns und vergieb uns unsere Sünde um der Herrlichkeit deines Namens willen. Hallelujah! Lord, think not on our evil doings, and grant grace in our suffering. Lord, our Saviour, be with us; save us and forgive our sins for the sake of the glory of thy name. Hallelujah!

#### 5. Im Advent (1846)

Laßet uns frohlokken, es nahet der Heiland, den Gott uns verheißen. Der Name des Herrn sei gelobet in Ewigkeit. Hallelujah! Let us be joyful: for the Saviour that God hath promised neareth. The name of the Lord be praised for ever. Hallelujah!

#### 6. Am Charfreitage (1844)

Um unserer Sünden willen hat sich Christus erniedriget,

und ist gehorsam geworden bis zum Tode am Kreuze;

darum Hat Gott ihn erhöhet, und ihm einen Namen gegeben, der über alle Namen ist. Hallelujah! For our sins Christ humbled himself, and became obedient unto death on the cross; therefore God hath exalted him, and given him a name above all other names.

Hallelujah!

# Quatre Motets sur des Themes Gregoriens pour Chœur a capella, op. 10 (1960)

# Maurice Duruflé(b. 1902)

#### 1. Ubi Caritas

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exultemus et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Wherever there is charity and love, God is there.

The love of Christ has brought us together. Let us exult and be delighted in him. Let us fear and love the living God, and with sincere hearts let us prize him.

#### 2. Tota Pulchra es

Tota pulchra es, Maria, et macula originalis non est in te. Vestimentum tuum candidum quasi nix, et facies tua sicut sol.
Tu gloria Jerusalem, tu lætitia Israel, tu honorificentia populi nostri.

Thou art wholly beautiful, Mary, and the stain of original sin is not in thee. Thy raiment is white as snow, and thy face is like the sun. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem, thou art the joy of Israel, thou art the honour of our people.

(Liber Usualis)

#### 3. Tu es Petrus

Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificabo Ecclesiam meam.

Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

(Matthew 16:18)

# 4. Tantum Ergo

Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui, Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui. Præstet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Genitori genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio, Procedenti ab utroque, Compar sit laudatio. Thus, a Covenant so great we worship with bowed heads and the ancient doctrine yields to a new rite. Let faith supply the deficiencies of the senses.

To the begetter and to the begotten let there be praise, rejoicing, safety, honour, courage, and blessing.

To him that proceeds from each of them, let there be equal commendation.

(St. Thomas Aquinas)

# -IV-

Three Songs of the Newfoundland Outports

arr. Harry Somers(b. 1925)

The Old "Mayflower"

The Banks of Newfoundland

Feller from Fortune

Sweet Day (Three Elizabethan Part Songs, no. 1; 1896)

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Fire, Fire, My Heart

Thomas Morley(1558-1602)

Let Me Fish Off Cape St. Mary's

arr. Michael Snelgrove

Deep River

arr. Norman Luboff

The Benediction

Knut Nystedt

# The Concert Choir

The University of Alberta Concert Choir, established in 1970, is a mixed choir of over 60 singers, representing nearly every Faculty of the University. Membership is based on audition for musical ability and enthusiasm for singing. Sponsored by the Department of Music, the Choir follows an active concert schedule with annual Christmas and Spring Concerts, radio and television broadcasts, and participation in workshops, religious functions, and school programmes.

The Concert Choir's repertoire is immensely varied, comprising examples of the finest sacred and secular music from the 16th century to the present. The Concert Choir has premiered several new works by Canadian composers, and has sung many other Canadian compositions.

Each spring, a subgroup of the *Concert Choir* performs on concert tour. The *Concert Choir* made its first European tour in 1977 and after the success of that venture returned to Germany and Austria for an even more successful three-week tour in 1979. In addition, the Concert Choir has sung throughout Alberta and in parts of Saskatchewan, British Columbia, and the northwestern U.S. This year, from May 3 to May 24, the *Concert Choir* will make its second U.S. tour, singing in Iowa, Indiana, Virginia, and North Carolina. The tour will culminate in a concert at The World's Fair in Knoxville, Tennessee, on May 23.

Leonard Ratzlaff, the conductor of the Concert Choir, received his M.A. from the University of Iowa, and is currently a candidate for the D.M.A. in Choral Conducting from that University. A native Albertan, he completed his undergraduate studies in Winnipeg, Manitoba, and taught choral music at the high school and college level for seven years. In 1981 he succeeded Dr. Larry Cook as Chairman of the Division of Choral Music at the University of Alberta. Mr. Ratzlaff also conducts the Richard Eaton Singers, which performs regularly with the Edmonton Symphony.

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