



*Edinboro University Singers  
and  
University Chorale  
A Celebration of Light*

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Jennifer Bischak, student conductor  
Angela Capela, piano • Gary Wilsoncroft, piano*

## *The University Singers*

The University Singers is the concert choir of Edinboro University, performing a wide range of music from the sixteenth to the twentieth centuries. Membership is by audition, and is open to any interested student on the campus, regardless of major. The group maintains an active performance schedule both on and off campus, and a highlight of each year is the annual concert tour. Recently the University Singers also performed a highly successful European concert tour. Concerts are often broadcast on NPR affiliate WQLN.

## *The University Chorale*

The University Chorale is a chamber ensemble selected by audition from the University Singers. The Chorale's repertoire is wide ranging and eclectic. Pieces include madrigals from the sixteenth century to the present, as well as other chamber works, and a set of vocal jazz pieces. Recently the Chorale performed *Images*, a four movement work for vocal jazz and rhythm section.

The University Chorale maintains an active performance schedule, both on and off campus, formal and informal. Formal performances by the University Chorale are often rebroadcast by local National Public Radio affiliate WQLN.

## *Peter van den Honert*

Peter van den Honert is Chair of the Music Department, and Director of Choral Activities at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. At Edinboro, van den Honert conducts the University Singers, and a chamber ensemble, the University Chorale. He also teaches choral conducting and theory, and serves as faculty advisor for a student chapter of the American Choral Directors Association. He has a special interest in New England folk songs, and has published several choral arrangements of New England folk tunes. Prior to his appointment at Edinboro he held a similar position at Kansas Wesleyan University; he also taught middle school and high school music in the suburban Chicago area for nine years before earning his doctorate at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He is active as an adjudicator and clinician, and has served as a festival director in several states.

## *Edinboro University of Pennsylvania*

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, a multi-purpose institution of higher learning, is one of the leading educational institutions in western Pennsylvania. Located in the resort community of Edinboro, the University is only 18 miles from Erie, and within 100 miles of the educational and major population centers of Buffalo, Cleveland, and Pittsburgh.

Edinboro University boasts 42 buildings on a spacious 585 acre campus which includes a 5 acre lake, open fields and woods, eight on-campus residence halls for approximately 2600 students, and a modern seven story library with more than 430,000 bound volumes and 1.2 million microforms. In addition, Edinboro maintains the Porreco Extension Center, located in nearby Erie, that consists of 25 acres and 11 buildings.

The Department of Music at Edinboro is a member of the National Association of Schools of Music, and offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music, and Music Education. A professional faculty of 19 includes active performers and recitalists, composers, historians, music theater specialists, and conductors. The department maintains an electronics studio, a piano lab, and has access to a professional recording studio. The 850 seat acoustically excellent auditorium serves as the primary performance facility. The music library has over 15,000 recordings, CD's, and video tapes.

The department is very active and proud of its role in the preparation of musicians. Almost 90 students presently major in music, with 30 more pursuing a music minor. The teacher certification program is accredited by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, and the National Association of Schools of Music.

## UNIVERSITY SINGERS

### Soprano

Mandy Atallah  
Jennifer Bischak  
Alicia Black  
Melissa Brown  
Cristie Cicero  
Rebecca Cogan  
Joelle Davern  
Leah DeFurio  
Janine Fromherz  
Jennifer Hunt  
Melissa Kocias  
Kerry Kost  
Angela Marino  
Jessica Monteleone  
Kellie O'Connor  
Gina Prichett  
Jessica Quirk  
Kimberly Schmidt  
Anna Soennecken  
Erin Stahlman  
Tracy Wolstoncroft  
Angie Wrightstone  
Jennifer Yerty

### Alto

Michelle Almon  
Stephanie Brown  
Angie Capela  
Linda Foster  
Lauren Hughes  
Jinteng Li  
Gale Lindell  
Tara O'Neill  
Aimee Pavlesich  
Christine Pawlowski  
Steph Roth  
Amanda Sargent  
Yvonne Thayer  
Michelle Word

### Tenor

Kevin Anthony  
Andrew Brehm  
Brian Earley  
Larry Graham  
Matthew Kantz  
Stephen Lance  
Mark McKinney  
Shawn Mitchell  
Tony Roussos  
Robert Roxby  
Jeffrey Rush  
Christopher Smith  
Christopher Stanonis  
Glenn Tuttle  
Eric VanDuzer

### Bass

Edward Best  
Jeff Halliday  
Joshua Halmi  
David Heitmuller  
Andrew McKay  
John Milosich  
Nicholas Mitchell  
Steve Reisenauer  
Joseph Sensor  
Matthew Stahlman  
Gary Wilsoncroft

## UNIVERSITY CHORALE

### Soprano

Cristie Cicero  
Jennifer Hunt  
Gina Prichett

### Alto

Jennifer Bischak  
Melissa Kocias  
Steph Roth

### Tenor

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Christopher Smith  
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### Bass

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## University Singers

1. O Come, O Come Emmanuel .....arr. Peter van den Honert
2. Glory to God in the Highest .....Randall Thompson
3. Tomorrow shall be my dancing day .....John Gardiner  
Edward Best and Melissa Kocias, Percussion
4. There is no Rose (from *A Ceremony of Carols*) .....Benjamin Britten  
Jennifer Bischak, Conductor
5. Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming .....Hugo Distler
- 6-8. Traditional Christmas Carols  
O Come All Ye Faithful .....arr. David Willcocks  
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing .....Mendelssohn/adapted by David Willcocks  
The First Nowell .....arr. David Willcocks

## University Chorale

### Carols from Around the World

- 9-11. Three Spanish Christmas Carols .....ed. Noah Greenberg  
E la don don, Verges Maria  
solos: Joshua Halmi, Christopher Smith, Gina Pritchett, Melissa Kocias  
Dadme albricias, hijos d'Eva  
solo: Cristie Cicero  
Ríu, Ríu, Chíu  
solos: Stephen Reisenauer, Andrew Brehm, Steph Roth, Robert Roxby
12. Ven dulce amado mio (Nicaragua) .....arr. Stephen Prussing
13. Un flambeau Jeannette Isabella (France) .....arr. Robert Shaw/Alice Parker
14. Jul, Jul (Sweden) .....Gustaf Nordqvist
15. What Cheer (England) .....William Walton

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16. Hodie .....Healey Willan
17. Ave Maria .....Franz Biebl  
Alicia Black, soprano • Christine Pawlowski, alto • Christopher Smith, tenor • Steven Reisenauer, baritone
18. A Christmas Medley .....Leroy S. Williams  
Edward Best, orchestra bells • Amanda Sargent, clarinet
19. Christmas Day .....Gustav Holst  
Tracy Wolstoncroft, soprano • Jennifer Hunt, mezzo soprano • Stephen Lance, tenor • Steven Reisenauer, baritone



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### *University Singers*

1. O Come, O Come Emmanuel .....arr. Peter van den Honert [2:23]  
2. Glory to God in the Highest .....Randall Thompson [1:46]  
3. Tomorrow shall be my dancing day .....John Gardiner [2:00]  
4. There is no Rose (from *A Ceremony of Carols*) .....Benjamin Britten [2:46]  
5. Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming .....Hugo Distler [2:54]  
6-8. Traditional Christmas Carols  
    O Come All Ye Faithful .....arr. David Willcocks [2:18]  
    Hark! The Herald Angels Sing .....Mendelssohn/adapted David Willcocks [2:26]  
    The First Nowell .....arr. David Willcocks [3:37]

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#### **Carols from Around the World**

- 9-11. Three Spanish Christmas Carols .....ed. Noah Greenberg  
    E la don don, Verges Maria [1:50]  
    Dadme albricias, hñjos d'Eva [1:07]  
    Ríu, Ríu, Chíu [1:54]  
12. Ven dulce amado mio (Nicaragua) .....arr. Stephen Prussing [1:40]  
13. Un flambeau Jeannette Isabella (France) .....arr. Robert Shaw/Alice Parker [1:48]  
14. Jul, Jul (Sweden) .....Gustaf Nordqvist [1:41]  
15. What Cheer (England) .....William Walton [1:13]

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16. Hodie .....Healey Willan [1:40]  
17. Ave Maria .....Franz Biebl [5:25]  
18. A Christmas Medley .....Leroy S. Williams [7:12]  
19. Christmas Day .....Gustav Holst [7:01]

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