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The University of Kansas

PRESENTS

Vespers 2025

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2025
7:30 P.M.
THE LIED CENTER

Program

Sing We to this Merry Company

John Rutter
(b. 1945)

Alleluia

Ola Gjeilo
(b. 1978)

KU Combined Choirs and Symphony Orchestra

Waltz of Flowers

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
(1840-1893)

KU Symphony Orchestra

S'vivon (*from Arise and Free: A Suite for Chanukah*)

Arr. Steve Barnett
(b. 1948)

Hope

Zachary Moore
(b. 1992)

KU Combined Choirs

Ding Dong Merrily on High

Arr. Howard Helvey
(b. 1968)

KU Combined Tenor-Bass Voices

Hanerot Halalu

Arr. Paul Riggio
(b. 1966)

KU Symphony Orchestra

Keresimesi Qdun De O

Arr. Wendell Whalum
(1931-1987)

The Very Best Time of the Year

John Rutter
(b. 1945)

Thou Art the Glory of Their Strength (*from Chandos Anthem #7*)

George F. Handel
(1685-1759)

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We Three Kings

Arr. Matt Riley
(b. 1982)

KU Symphony Orchestra
Dr. Sun-Young Gemma Shin, Violin

Long Ago (In the Bleak Midwinter)

Gustav Holst
(1874-1934)
Arr. Jake Narverud
(b. 1986)

Lawrence Children's Choir

Seeing the Star

Ben Ponniah
(b. 1984)

KU Chamber Choir

Queen of the Night Aria (from *The Magic Flute*)

Wolfgang A. Mozart
(1756-1791)
Arr. D. Marlatt
(b. 1973)

Wayner Kalik Ramon Ortega - Piccolo Trumpet Solo
Nic Weaver, Keith Popiel, Armando Guttierrez, Zach Church, Trumpets

Ring Out!

Jennaya Robison
(b. 1974)

KU Combined Treble Voices

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas

Arr. John Whitney
(1917-1995)

KU Symphony Orchestra

Mary Had a Baby

Arr. Craig Courtney
(b. 1948)

Combined KU Choirs

A Carol Fantasy

Arr. John Alexander
(b. 1945)

Laudate Dominum (from *Une cantate du Noël*)

Arthur Honegger
(1892-1955)

Combined KU Choirs and KU Symphony Orchestra

KU Combined Choirs

Ella Abiecunas
Zainah Abushikha
Ike Adams
Desmond Adjei
Isabel Alsum
Ayden Ammann
Jayden Amato
Aly Arenholz
Andrea Atwood
Peyton Aucoin
Teriauna Bailey
Kolin Barks
Aubrey Barth
Gracie M Bathel
Parker Bennett
Tana Benton
Margaret Bhattarai
Genevieve Billings
Tatum Bills
Kaelyn Bobal
Ella Booth
Conner Booton
Piper Bourseau
Lauryn Boyle
Eric Branson
Savannah Branson
Annabeth Bretz
Carson Brooksher
Lauren Bruggeman
Tavia Buffington
Kennedy Burch

Layton Burgess
Zoe Camarin
Maddi Carter
Coria Chaloupecky
Grace Chappell
Grace Chard
Kylee Chee
Megan Chitwood
Kyla Cisneros
Cody Clingenpeel
Emma Coffey
Keira Cohen
Katie Colby
Nora Colwell
Preston Cook
Levi Cooper
Cannon Cramer
Adra Cress
Laurie Cromer
Emma Culbertson
Myah Davenport
Kade Day
Ainsley Dillon
Joseph Discavage
María Domínguez
Garret Dorn
Sophia Dorantes
Nissa Downing
Avery Dunlap
Cuyler Dunn
Mitch Dziejwior

Alexandra Eckles
Spencer Egbert
Kaylee Elliott
Maddison Ellis
Riley Ellis
AJ Ericson
Brianna Erunez
Nadia Evangelidis
AnnaBeth Fama
Alexander Figueroa
Castro
Carly Fischer
Rebekah Fletcher
Desiree Flores
Jazzlyn Fowler
Peyton Fowler
Kellan Flynn
Kylie Gangwish
Shiting Gao
Jordan Gardipee
Lucas Genail
Addison Gnuthake
Carrin Gramke
Quinton Gray
Mary Green
Davis Greenstreet
Suhana Grover
John Grygiel IV
Emma Haley
Alex Hall
Anna Hall

Evan Hanna
Samuel Harden
Isaac Hartz
Matthew Hasson
Tarman Hayer
Ky Haynes
Brayden Heath
Anna Heskett
Lily Hobson
Kristin Holcomb
Alex Holden
Alexandra Holden
Noah Holke
Elissa Hopkins
Taylyn Hopkins
Maddie Ingram
Marc Janda
Gabby Jarrett
Emma Joers
Arianna Johnson-
Brown
Kiwani Jones
Karissa Kantor
Norah Kath
Sia Kavi
Caroline Keene
Mia Keene
Gia Kelker
Morgen Keller
Lindsay Kellogg
James Kensinger

KU Combined Choirs

Caleb King	Emma Molteni	Charlotte Phillips	Morgan Spencer
Emi King	Mitchell Monroe	Emoreja Phillips	Stevie Stroud
Paisley King	Alexa Montalvo	Steve Pi	Kourtney Talley
Taye Kitselman	Valadez	James Pressdee	Sabrey Tangeman
Ava Kohart	Esperanca Monteiro	Sierra Quinn	Amaya Taylor
Adam Koehler	Henson	Linnaea Radley	Vanessa Tessereau
Aubrey Krapes	Emma Montgomery	Alissa Ragland	Lennon Thomas
Hayden Krapes	Quincey Murray	Taylor Rauh	Ava Thompson
Ariella Kravchenko	Ava Myers	Heidi Ray	Enzo Tsen
Matthew Kurniawan	Zachary Myers	Mary Ann Reddig	Jeremiah Valenzuela
Tate Landes	Z Nance	Harry Reed	Avery Van Der Wege
Sara Grace Larkin	Mario Narvaez	Lauren Reimer	Enzo Vasconcelos
Crismari Leon	Chloe Nelson	Cam Roberts	Yazid Vazquez
Erin Leonard	Kael Nelson	Hannah Rocha	Aliyah Visser
Samuel Leopold	Evelyn Nielsen	Abe Roman	Daniel Wall
Madelyn Linton	Elijah Nessel	Alissa Rose	Kayla Wallace
Laurena Liu	Addison Novak	Ana Sallman	Grady Warren
Jairus Lobmeyer	Aidan O'Neill	Elena Sanchez	Josephine Warrior
Meredith Lowery	Luca Osborn	Annika Santiago	Dymphna Watkins
Eric Lucio	Anni Oscarson	Hugo Santo	Om Watson
Lucas Macnider	Tagan Ortega	Gracie Schadegg	Kate Wegner
Ainslee Magee	Zane Okoya	Charlie Schmidt	Bria White
Atticai Margrave	Bella Otter	Mason Schultz	Annabelle Whitten
Marco Martz	Ellarie Owen	Avery Scribner	Ella Widen
Tess McCall	Kenyth Carlos Pablo	Jake Shoemaker	Henry Winslow
Ainsley McClard	Max Palmer	Noah Short	Tori Wist
Liora McCoy	Katie Parsons	Brody Shulda	Cole Witt
Maren Meneley	Lena Pendleton	Raiya Siddique	Caroline Witte
Emily Mickey	Brodie Perdue	Alicen Silva	Mandy Wong
Caitlyn Middleton	Natalie Peters	Holly Sorrenti	Lillian Wrye
Bryce Midgley	Adam Petz	Maximo Soto Alvarez	Abby Young
Serenity Miller	Ann Pham	Lake Sowles	Colin Zecchin

KU Symphony Orchestra

VIOLIN

Kaila Adams
Skye Bishop
Jun Brewer
Lillian Brooks-Kanost
Kayla Carpenter
Caleb Cerny
Yanyu Chen
Caroline Epp
Maizie Ferguson
Townes Hamre
Chang He
Jacob Herling
Valerie Hsiung
Min Ishii
Sofia Lefort
Liora McCoy
Andrew Mitchell
Melanie Lysaught
Katelyn Page
Adiel Rivera-Morales
Jake Sayers
Allison Tran
Haoqui Zhang

Viola

Olivia Beaty
Jocelyn Chu
Eli Eickhoff
Tori Freund
Macy Garey
Elliott Lamb
Bryson Lane
Terry Mechem
Wolfgang Sell
Nate Udell
Emma Welsh

Cello

Nick Belcher
Sunny Ellsworth
Sage Emerson
Ethan Franz
Ben Gunter
Julian Jones
Katie Koke
Jhih-Wei Liou
Yu-Tzu Liu
Oscar Ohly
Rui-An Tseng
Zach Ward
Henry Wright

Bass

J Buch
Evelyn Gurske
Sawyer Janssen
Joaquin Miranda
Guna Thatipelli
Noah Tucker

Flute

Constantino Lopez
Alex Brady
Kayleigh Churchett
Anna Johnson

Oboe

Hsinni Hsieh
Andrew Gresham

Bassoon

Logan Bach
Lucie Roberts

Clarinet

Madeline Echternacht
Richard Galbreath
Katie Varadi
Haiwen Xu

Trumpet

Tyler McTavish
Nic Weaver

Horn

Connor Anderson
Casey Chlapek
Brooklynne McGonagle
Noah Moots
Joshua Wheeler
Chun-Hui Yang

Trombone

Asa Martin
Billy Sharp

Bass Trombone

Ben Proctor

Tuba

Josie Jones

Timpani

Alexander Beel
YiTong Chen

Percussion

Jason Brown
Liam Lewis

Harp

Lizzy Wood

Special Thanks

Directors

Eduardo García-Novelli
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Chung Hoi Yan

MC

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Nathaniel Quiroz
Chung Hoi Yan

Collaborative Pianists

Daniel Natzke
Linlin He
Boxin Wang
Veerle Winkelmolén
Erin Zipper

Lawrence Children's Choir

Olivia Adams
Liam Bloom
Harper Bogart
Abby Cothorn
Caschen Cruse
Lorea Galdos
Karianna Hall
Laurel Hunsinger
Alex Kaufman
Ella Langham
Eloise McKeever
Camille McLaughlin
Quincey Neuteboom

Celia O'Connor
Delilah Oatis
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Vivian Warrior
Stella Williams

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