

Translations (continued):

Jumalo: I bought a magnificent horse, with golden bridles wheel to wheel, and I bring all of Rigas' treasures to share with everyone!—"Jumalo" (i.e. Sing in joyous refrain!).

Lao Rahal Soti: If my voice departs, your throats will not: I look unto tomorrow and may hear it with you. If the singer dies, the songs remain, bringing together broken and suffering hearts.

Oseh Shalom (Sat only): May the One who causes peace to reign in the high heavens let peace descend upon us and all of Israel and let us say: Amen.







SAINT MARY'S CHOIRS:

Dr. Julie Ford, *Director*; Meredith Hawkins, *Asst. Director*; Paul Caccamo, *Pianist*

SOPRANOS

Molly Baziuk*
Stephanie Boustani
Olivia Burke*
Kate Conti*
Giselle Diaz
Coco Harrison
Grace Greer
Marwa Hashemi*
Kaylin Holliman*
Adanna Ogu*
Amy Unruh*
Sofia Yildirim*



ALTOS


Sara Alhejazin*
Bruno
Annika Bliesner*
Lauren Cardinale*
Caroline Carrillo
Reeya Dharmadhikari
Rose Du Pont*
Olivia Eukel*
Bianca Langlois
Elaya Lopez
Loren Olsen*
Anastasia Pagan
Keturah Prothro-Harris*

TENORS

Brendon Bowser*
Evan Holloway*
Angel Levy*
Ashlyn Storie*
Ricky Wilson-Wong*

BASSES

AJ Clement*
Ethan Lumanlan*
Connor McGilvray*

* = Chamber Singers
 = Jazz Singers
 = Student Directors

SPECIAL GUESTS & SMC SUPPORT TEAM

Jazz Combo: Clint Day, piano; Rob Hart, drums; A.J. Clement, bass; *Sound Engineer*: Peter Kenton; *Production Manager*: Emily Stark; *PERFA Coord. & Events Manager*: Tara Sundy

DIABLO VALLEY COLLEGE CHAMBER SINGERS

* New Zealand SMC Choir tour member

SOPRANOS: Noelani Andreasen, Jesse Gungon, Melina Gutierrez, Jdyn-Richelle Hunte, Rakshi Vazhkupai Jaiganesh, Annika Kennedy, Veritas Milanov, Ellis Moncada, Mieko Peña-Robles, Olivia Parkinson*, Ashley Riddick, Courtney Weiland; **ALTOS**: Ana Bispo, Rita Cao, Caitlyn Curl, Kate LeMonds, April Ludlow, Marizel Mendoza, Tekina Piutau*, Delaney Thomsen; **TENORS**: Makayla Bozeman, Landen Dow, Burl Hall, Rjay Molo*, Sebastian Navarro, André Palmer, Joshua Suarez, Nickolao Tsingarlis, Meng Zhang; **BASSES**: Joey Anderson, Dorian Byrd, Casey Calderon, Cody Casey, Henry Cosgrove Lane, Caleb Eanes, Rachel Starlight, Connor Wilson, Will Wyckhouse

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Saint Mary's College CHOIR CONCERT

in collaboration with

Diablo Valley College Chamber Singers

and Acalanes High School Choir (*Thu only*)

Keep Looking Up

Dec 5 & 7, 2024 @ 8pm

Saint Mary's College Chapel

Program

Sorida Rosephanye Powell; Arr. William Powell
Featuring Evan Holloway, Ethan Lumanlan, Ricky Wilson-Wong,
Connor McGilvray, Ashlyn Storie, Angel Levy, A.J. Clement, & Brendon Bowser

Er ist gekommen in Strum und Regen Clara Schumann (1819-1896)
Arr. Brandon Williams

They Are Mother* Jennifer Lucy Cook

Jumalo Latvian Folksong; Arr. Laura Jēkabsons
Featuring Ethan Lumanlan, Ashlyn Storie; A.J. Clement (Cajón)
Marwa Hashemi / Kate Conti (Thu/Sat)

Lao Rahal Soti Samih Choukeir; Arr. Shireen Abu Khader
Featuring Sara Alhejazin

Oseh Shalom* (Sat only) Nurit Hirsh; Arr. Elaine Broad-Ginsberg

Measure Me Sky Elaine Hagenburg

brief pause

Acalanes H. S. Choir (Thu only) Meredith Hawkins, *Dir.*; Tekina Piutau, *piano*
Keturah Prothro-Harris, *Asst. Dir.*

In the Name of Love Betty Reynolds, Melanie Andrews, & EWF
Arr. Greg Murai (1963-2016)
Featuring Annika Bliesner / Brendon Bowser (Thu/Sat), Kaylin Holliman,
Adanna Ogu, and Keturah Prothro-Harris

Landslide Stevie Nicks; arr. MaryAnne Muglia Smith

Saint Mary's Jazz Singers
Give Me the Simple Life Rube Blum; Arr. Jennifer Barnes
Featuring Kate Conti

Moon Over Bourbon St. Sting; Arr. Greg Murai
Featuring Ethan Lumanlan, Ricky Wilson-Wong, A.J. Clement,
Reeya Dharmadhikari, Evan Holloway

Sugar Stanley Turrentine; Arr. Jennifer Barnes
Featuring Adanna Ogu

Carol Sing A-Long
O Come All Ye Faithful: *Verse 1*: Keturah Prothro-Harris, solo

**ALL SING: Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exaltation, sing all ye citizens of heav'n
above! Glory to God, Glory in the highest! O come let us adore him...Christ the Lord!**

*Diablo Valley College Chamber Singers feature

Angels We Have Heard on High:

Verse 1: Connor McGilvray, solo

**ALL SING: Shepherds why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong? What
the gladsome tidings be which inspire your heavenly song?
Gloria in excelsis Deo! (repeat)**

Silent Night:

Verse 1: Annika Bliesner, solo

**ALL SING: Silent night, shepherds quake at the sight. Glorious streams from
Thy holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace: Christ the savior is born! (2x)**

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen Arr. Greg Murai
Verse 1: choir; **ALL SING: O tidings of comfort & joy, comfort & joy**
Verse 2: Molly Baziuk, solo; **ALL SING: O tidings of comfort & joy.....**

One True Joy Greg Murai
Featuring Loren Olsen, Keturah Prothro-Harris; Ethan Lumanlan, Director

Little Drummer Boy Katherine Kennicott Davis (1892-1980); Arr. Murai

Notes

We are thrilled to present a program of music almost entirely composed or arranged by women. Our concert includes reflective prayers to share joys, sorrows and concerns, all contextualized by the healing power of collaboration. Guided by a welcoming spirit, I've chosen music with lyrics to remind us of the bigness of love which transcends the smallness of division, and a variety of musical landscapes to explore beauty beyond measure. The connections beyond our campus was particularly inspired this July when five Diablo Valley College (DVC) students joined our choir tour to New Zealand. This journey brought home a Gold Medal from the World Choir Games, and sparked strong, lasting friendships. Building on this, and facilitated by my continuing role at DVC, our voices combine in a variety of ways to achieve inspired music-making that emerges only from true teamwork.

We celebrate our new Assistant Director, Prof. Meredith Hawkins, and highlight an SMC-AHS internship initiative that has, for the second year, positioned SMC seniors, such as Keturah Prothro-Harris, in assistant teaching roles—this year Keturah also serves as Student Director for SMC Jazz Singers. We also welcome new pianist, Prof. Paul Caccamo, and lift up Ethan Lumanlan, who serves as Student Director for Glee and Chamber Singers. We thank you, our extended community, for your presence and appreciate your generous contributions that make this possible. To echo Neil deGrasse Tyson's weekly *StarTalk* podcast sign-off, which inspired the title of our concert, we hope tonight inspires you to "keep looking up." — *Dr. Julie Ford*

Translations (continued next page)

Er ist gekommen in Sturm und Regen: He arrived in storm and rain, our hearts beating as one. Was it he who stole my heart, or I who claimed his? As spring blooms, my love journeys afar, yet I watch with cheer for he is mine on any road.