

FIRST SEMESTER MUSIC EVENTS

2021

SEPTEMBER 10

Faculty Woodwind Recital, 5:30 p.m., WMC

Esther Waite (flute) presents “Duos & Diversions,” a faculty recital with colleagues Jessica Elliott (piano), Mary AllyeB Purtle (oboe), and Prentiss McDaniels (clarinet). The program includes works by J.S. Bach, Aaron Copland, and Malcolm Arnold.

SEPTEMBER 15

Guest Violin Recital, 8:00 p.m., WMC

Violinist David Kim, concertmaster of The Philadelphia Orchestra, performs with collaborative pianist Jeffrey DeVault. The program includes works by Stravinsky, Sarasate, and others.

SEPTEMBER 24

Guest Trumpet Recital, 5:30 p.m., WMC

Joshua Ganger (trumpet) presents a guest recital with Dion Cunningham (piano). The program includes works by Gershwin, Schumann, Bach, and others.

OCTOBER 1

Symphonic Wind Band, 6 p.m., Gazebo

Bring your picnic dinner and join this fall tradition of overtures and marches at the Gazebo with the Symphonic Wind Band. In the case of inclement weather, we will move inside to beautiful Stratton Hall.

OCTOBER 7

CONCERT, OPERA & DRAMA SERIES: Symphonic Hollywood: The Music of Lee Holdridge, 7:30 p.m., FMA

GRAMMY award-winning conductor **Richard Kaufman** returns for the **Annual BJU Homecoming Concert** to conduct the **University Symphony Orchestra and Chorus** in a wide-ranging program of music from the pen of Hollywood composer **Lee Holdridge**, including the world premiere of *Fantasy Chorale: A Journey of Joy and Hope*, commissioned especially for this performance.

OCTOBER 11

String Orchestra, 5:30 p.m., WMC

The String Orchestra presents “The Number 13,” under the direction of Yuriy Leonovich, featuring Mozart’s String Quartet No. 13. The concert will also include works by Haydn and Grieg.

OCTOBER 13

Trumpet Choir & Tuba-Euphonium Choir, 5:30 p.m., SH

The University’s Trumpet Choir and Tuba-Euphonium Choir, directed by Bruce Cox and Paul Overly, present the first brass ensemble recital of the year.

OCTOBER 14

Trombone Choir & Horn Choir, 7 p.m., SH

The unique sounds of the University’s Trombone Choir and Horn Choir are featured in this second brass ensemble recital of the year.

OCTOBER 25

Concert Choir, 5:30 p.m., SH

The choral artistry of the BJU Concert Choir, under the direction of Dr. Fred R. Coleman, is intended to nurture spiritual reflection in the hearts and minds of both the performers and the audience.

OCTOBER 27

Flute Choir and Saxophone Choir, 5:30 p.m., WMC

The Flute Choir, directed by Esther Waite, and the Saxophone Choir, directed by Prentiss McDaniels, present an eclectic program of music written and arranged for the flute family and saxophone family.

OCTOBER 29

Chorale, 7 p.m., WMC

The University Chorale, known for tonal beauty and inspiring performance under new director Andrew Huish, presents the annual fall concert in the War Memorial Chapel.

NOVEMBER 4

High School Festival Final Concert, 7 p.m., RA

This gala concert features winning ensembles and soloists from BJU’s annual High School Festival, as well as performances by the festival’s bands, string orchestra and honors chorus.

NOVEMBER 10

University Singers, 5:30 p.m., SH

The University Singers will brighten your day and lighten your load with their energetic and beautiful music that they can’t wait to share! Join us for an early evening concert by the 100-voice freshmen choir.

NOVEMBER 15

String Orchestra, 5:30 p.m., WMC

The String Orchestra, conducted by Yuriy Leonovich, presents, “Comic Relief.” Enjoy Vivaldi’s Concerto for 2 Horns and Mozart’s Musical Joke, featuring Jesse Boyd and Aaron Fox, horns. The program will also include Rossini’s Sonata for Strings No. 1.

NOVEMBER 17

Praise Service, 11 a.m., FMA

Begin the Thanksgiving season by joining choir and orchestra in songs of reflection and rejoicing at our annual Praise Service.

DECEMBER 2 & 3

ARTIST SERIES -Symphonic Wind Band, *Carols and Classics*, 7:30 p.m., RA

Begin your Christmas season with *Carols and Classics* featuring the BJU Symphonic Wind Band with the Concert Choir and University Singers. You’ll be thrilled as you celebrate Christ’s incarnation with this program of old and new favorites which includes the premiere of a new work by composition faculty member Seth Custer. Tickets are required for this event.

DECEMBER 3

Chamber Singers, 5:00 p.m., WMC

The Christmas concert season begins with the select Chamber Singers and Andrew Huish in a musical holiday celebration.

DECEMBER 3

Christmas Lighting Ceremony, 6:30 p.m., Front Campus

Please join the university community for an outdoor carol sing around the University front-campus fountains, where thousands of sparkling lights—which have become a Greenville holiday landmark—will be illuminated.

DECEMBER 4

String Chamber Recital, 4 p.m., WMC

The Department of Instrumental Studies presents its string majors in chamber ensembles with varying instrumentations—including string quartets and piano trios and quintets.

DECEMBER 4

String Chamber Recital, 6:00 p.m., SH

The Department of Instrumental Studies features its string majors in a second recital of chamber ensembles with varying instrumentations—including string quartets and piano trios and quintets.

DECEMBER 8

Lyric Choir, 5:30 p.m., WMC

Please join Lyric Ladies and director, Laura Brundage, as we kick off the season with Christmas songs old and new. We will travel through time and around the world to celebrate the birth of our Savior!

DECEMBER 9

University Symphony Orchestra, ‘We Wish You a Merry Mozart,’ 7:00 p.m., RA

Celebrate the excitement of the season with the sparkling music of Mozart and a sleigh full of other musical delights! Featuring the winners of the 2020 Concerto/Aria Competition in concert with BJUSO: Anwyn Ashley, flute; Sarah Harris, soprano; Tayler Otis, piano; and Anne Smith, cello. Michael Moore, conductor.

DECEMBER 11

Handbell Choirs, 7 p.m., SH

It is Christmas time, and the handbell choir will present a wide variety of Christmas music from sacred to secular. You will experience the joy and spirit of Christmas. No Grinches allowed!

DECEMBER 14

Student Composition Recital, 5:30 p.m., WMC

The University family is invited to hear this recital of music composition students’ best original works.

SECOND SEMESTER MUSIC EVENTS

2022

JANUARY 14

Faculty Violin Recital, 7:00 p.m., WMC

A string faculty recital featuring the Ironside Duo with an exciting program of works from classics to contemporary.

JANUARY 15

Guest Cello Recital, 7:00 p.m., WMC

Jonathan Simmons (cello) presents a guest recital.

FEBRUARY 4

Faculty Cello Recital, 7 p.m., WMC

Yuriy Leonovich and Kristen Ironside will present a recital to celebrate the centennial of Camille Saint-Saëns's Death. The program will include both of Saint-Saëns's cello sonatas, with an American premiere of the original finale from Cello sonata No. 1, in addition to other short works.

FEBRUARY 11

Symphonic Wind Band, 'Baroque for Band', 7 p.m., SH

Enjoy this programming twist with a 21st century ensemble performing works connected to the 1600s. Included on the program are the *Canzona* by Peter Mennin and the Goldman *Fantasia in G Major*.

FEBRUARY 28

String Orchestra, 5:30 p.m., WMC

The String Orchestra, conducted by Yuriy Leonovich, presents "Neo-Baroque." Enjoy Debussy's *Danses Sacrée et Profane*, with Rita Dunn, harp. The program will also include Britten's *Simple Symphony*.

MARCH 8, 10, 12

Samson & Delilah- CONCERT, OPERA & DRAMA SERIES: 7:30 p.m., RA

MARCH 16

Flute Ensembles and Saxophone Choir, 5:30 p.m., WMC

Featuring small flute ensembles and the Saxophone Choir, the Woodwind Department presents its spring concert under the direction of Esther Waite and Prentiss McDaniels.

MARCH 30

Cello Choir, 5:30 p.m., WMC

The Cello Choir presents their spring concert under the direction of Yuriy Leonovich. This program will include Sollima's "Violoncelles, Vibrez!," and music by Puccini, Berseau and Desenne.

MARCH 31

Faculty Guitar Recital, 7:00 p.m., WMC

A guitar recital featuring Patrick Flynn and friends.

APRIL 1

Percussion Ensemble, 5:30 p.m., SH

Come enjoy the exciting sounds of the University's Percussion Ensemble under the direction of Rob Schoolfield.

APRIL 4

Handbell Choirs, 5:30 p.m., SH

Celebrating 30 years, the Handbell Choir is excited to present music that highlights the progression of handbell ringing and music over the past three decades. The choir will present music from the past that demonstrates how handbell choir music has grown. We are even hoping to add some alumni in our concert finale.

APRIL 8

Symphonic Wind Band, 'Water Music,' 7 p.m., SH

Water is the thread of this beautiful and varied year-end concert, featuring works by John Barnes Chance, Ito Yasuhide, and Anthony Iannaccone.

APRIL 9

String Chamber Recital, 5 p.m., WMC

The Department of Instrumental Studies presents its string majors in chamber ensembles, featuring a variety of composers and group instrumentations.

APRIL 11

String Chamber Recital, 5:30 p.m., WMC

The Department of Instrumental Studies presents in a second spring recital, its string majors in chamber ensembles, featuring a variety of composers and group instrumentations.

APRIL 13

Chamber Harp Ensemble, 5:30 p.m., SH

Enjoy the beautiful sound of a dozen or more harps as the Chamber Harp Ensemble directed by Emily Waggoner presents their spring concert.

APRIL 14, 15

CONCERT, OPERA & DRAMA SERIES: *Living Gallery* presentation; 4:30, 7:30 p.m., RA

A boldly unique, dramatic presentation of sacred masterworks of art depicting Christ's ministry and passion. See these great paintings "come alive" in life-size re-creations on the Rodeheaver stage as choirs, instrumentalists, and costumed actors re-create scenes from our Lord's ministry on earth. *Season subscriptions now include Living Gallery tickets. Individual tickets may be purchased at the Programs & Productions Box Office for \$12 for adults and \$10 for children (6-12). Call (864) 770-1372 for information.*

APRIL 16

CONCERT, OPERA & DRAMA SERIES: *Living Gallery* presentation; 2, 4:30, 7:30 p.m., RA

APRIL 18

Annual University Music Contest Winners Showcase, 7:00 p.m., WMC

Open music contests are held each year among university students. The winners in each contest showcase their pieces in this public performance. This competition features winners in keyboard, voice, woodwinds, bowed strings, harp and brass.

APRIL 20

University Singers, 5:30 p.m., SH

Be inspired and delighted by the acclaimed University Singers as they perform a varied selection of choral music. The energy and passion of the freshman choir of nearly 100 singers never disappoint!

APRIL 22

Chorale, 7:00 p.m., WMC

Director Andrew Huish and the Chorale presents a much anticipated and delightful spring concert in the War Memorial Chapel.

APRIL 25

String Orchestra, 5:30 p.m., WMC

The String Orchestra, under the direction of Yuriy Leonovich, presents an "All-Bach" program. Enjoy Bach's Double Violin Concerto, with Joanna Mulfinger and Brandon Ironside, violins. The program will also include Bach's Suite No. 3, BWV 1068, which includes the celebrated Air.

APRIL 26

Concert Choir, 7 p.m., SH

Believing that "things learned in song are remembered long," Dr. Fred R. Coleman directs the BJU Concert Choir in pairing nuanced choral expression with timeless biblical truths.

APRIL 28

Lyric Choir, 5:30 p.m., WMC

Lyric Choir and director Laura Brundage present an enjoyable and moving concert in celebration of spring.

APRIL 28

University Symphony Orchestra, 'Revolutionary Romantics,' 7 p.m., RA

Soloists Yuriy Leonovich (cello faculty) and Deanna Moore (piano faculty) join forces with the BJUO for an evening of romantic greats featuring Camille Saint-Saëns' Cello Suite, Opus 16 and Franz Liszt's Piano Concerto No. 1. Michael Moore, conductor.

MAY 3

Student Composition Recital, 5:30 p.m., WMC

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