2021 Fall Concert Series

A Cup of Good Cheer

Madrigalia

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LIVE from hochstein

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Madrigalia delights audiences with its beauty of sound and artistic excellence. The 18-member ensemble of highly skilled vocalists presents unique and challenging programs of choral music built around intriguing themes. Their music is drawn from all times and places, spanning the riches of classic choral styles, the vast range of compelling music being written in our time, and the intriguing musical expressions of cultures throughout the world. Madrigalia promotes the appreciation of choral singing to diverse audiences through performances, recordings, broadcasts, outreach, and the commissioning of new music. More information about Madrigalia and upcoming concerts can be found at www.madrigalia.org.

Artistic Director Cary Ratcliff is now in his seventh season with Madrigalia. Under his direction, the chorus has released two CD recordings: For Better, For Worse: Music About Marriage, and On This Day Earth Shall Ring. The chorus also contributed to the recording of Ratcliff’s large-scale opera Eleni. Known as a composer of choral, orchestral, chamber music, art song, and opera, Ratcliff also is keyboardist with the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra. Recordings include a Harmonia Mundi 2015 release of his oratorio Ode To Common Things on poems of Pablo Neruda, by Conspirare under Craig Hella Johnson, which was nominated for Best Choral Performance for the 2016 Grammys; and Kathryn Lewek sings Cary Ratcliff on Albany Records.

MADRIGALIA

Soprano
Jackie Castiglia
Julie Elliot
Karen Hospers
Brenda Tremblay
Heather Watras

Alto
Brenda Nitsch
Ann Rhody
Christina Schmidt
Tara Switzer

Tenor
Justin Doyle
Dan Mclnerney
Don Reaves
Jeff Tabor

Bass
Joe Borelli
Joe Finetti
Jim Jefferis
Craig Knight
PROGRAM

WINTER
Ringing Bells
We Are Walking in the Air
Solstice Carol

CHRISTMAS
Quem Vidistis Pastores
Personnant Hodie (On this day earth shall ring)
The Shepherd’s Carol
Noel Ayisyen

REMEMBERING
Requiem

CONCLUSION
What Sweeter Music
Gloucestershire Wassail

Richard Wilder
Words: Kathryn Jospé
Howard Blake
Kim Baryluk
arr. Scott Reimer
Tomas Luis de Victoria
16th Century Latin Carol
arr. Cary Ratcliff
Bob Chilcott
Words: Clive Sansom
Emile Desamours
Eliza Gilkyson
arr. Craig Hella Johnson
John Rutter
Words: Robert Herrick
Traditional English Toast of Blessing

Madrigalia
Cary Ratcliff, director and pianist
with Emily Hart, oboe

Today’s Live from Hochstein concert is broadcast live and in stereo on Classical 91.5 with host Mona Seghatoleslami.
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SING with us ...
& DANCE with us!
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For more information, please contact Director of Development & Community Engagement, Ayette Jordan, at ayette.jordan@hochstein.org or 585-454-4403.

ENJOY THESE PERFORMANCES?

The Live from Hochstein series requires financial support to continue providing performances for the Rochester community. If you enjoy these performances, please consider making a donation to The Hochstein School in the baskets provided at the exits, or at https://hochstein.org/Support. Any checks can be made out to The Hochstein School, and Live from Hochstein should be the memo. THANK YOU!

SOME AUDIENCE REMINDERS

- Please keep your mask on at all times in our building.
- Please remember to bring proof of vaccination to EACH Live from Hochstein performance that you attend.
- In consideration of the performers and the rest of the audience, we remind you that it is customary to be as quiet as possible during concerts.
- Please turn off any cell phones, pagers or alarms that may sound during the performance. The use of cameras/recording devices is strictly prohibited.
- Fire exits are located along the sides and back of the Performance Hall. In the event of an emergency, please calmly proceed to the nearest exit.

❄️ HAPPY HOLIDAYS! ❄️

Please come back in the new year and join us for the Spring season of Live from Hochstein, opening on March 23, 2022.

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