# HOLIDAY CONCERT

# University Symphony Orchestra Choral Union

Timothy Russell, conductor Anna Christy, soprano

School of Music Herberger College of Fine Arts Arizona State University

Sunday, December 7, 2003 2:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium



# **PROGRAM**

I. Gloria
Glory to God on high,
And on earth peace to those
with whom he is pleased.

II. Laudamus TeWe praise you, we bless you,We worship you, we glorify you,We give you thanks for your great glory.

III. Domine Deus Lord God, King of Heaven, God the Father omnipotent.

IV. Domine Fili Unigente Lord, only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. V. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. Who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Who takes away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

VI. Qui Sedes Ad Dexteram Patris
Who sits at the Father's right hand,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are holy,
you alone are Lord,
you alone are most high,
Jesus Christ.
With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God
the Father. Amen.

# Intermission

March from Babes in Toyland.

Chanukah Suite

Jeff Tyzick

Many Moods of Christmas Suite III

What Child is This?

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Bring a Torch, Jeanette, Isabella

Angels We Have Heard On High

Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah.

G. F. Handel/Eugene Goossens

# TIMOTHY RUSSELL

In the Fall of 1993, **Timothy Russell** became Professor of Music and the Director of Orchestras at Arizona State University. He has established himself as one of America's most versatile conductors and foremost music educators. His recording, *The Manhattan Transfer Meets Tubby the Tuba*, received a Grammy nomination as the "Best Musical Album for Children." In January of 2000, *Inner Voices*, with Native American cedar flutist R. Carlos Nakai, received a Grammy nomination as "Best New Age Album." Other popular recordings by Russell include his own children's story, *The* 



Gift of the Eagle, Poulenc's The Story of Babar, and The Nutcracker by Tchaikovsky. In addition to these favorites, Russell has conducted the world premiere recordings of Peter Schickele's Thurber's Dogs, written in honor of the 100th anniversary of the birth of humorist James Thurber, Stephen Paulus' riveting inter-related arts masterpiece, Voices from the Gallery, and Circle of Faith. Russell's other recordings include the newly-released American Jazz Concertos, Remembering Marian Anderson, Hope's Journey, A Brassy Night at the Opera with the ASU Chamber Orchestra, Perception, and Lilacs: The Music of George Walker with the ASU Symphony Orchestra. These recordings have been enthusiastically received by listeners and critics alike, as has his vital and imaginative orchestral leadership.

Equally at home conducting the great symphonic literature, music for chamber orchestra, large choral works, pops concerts and children's programs, Russell has been a frequent guest conductor with The Phoenix Symphony. Other recent guest conducting appearances have included the American Classical Orchestra, Charlotte Symphony, Hawaii Symphony, Spokane Symphony, Baltimore Chamber Orchestra, South Dakota Symphony, Pittsburgh New Music Ensemble, Lehigh Valley Chamber Orchestra, Summit Brass, Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra, World Youth Symphony, and symphony orchestras in Arkansas, Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Montana and Texas. He has conducted All-State orchestras in Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, New Mexico, Ohio and Oklahoma.

The 2003-2004 scason will be most exciting, as Dr. Russell will guest conduct the Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra, the Texas All-State Philharmonic Orchestra, five Tchaikovsky Swan Lake performances and 16 Nutcracker performances with The Phoenix Symphony and Ballet Arizona, as well as celebrate his twenty-fifth year as Music Director of the ProMusica Chamber Orchestra of Columbus, Ohio. Russell's achievements with ProMusica have been remarkable and diverse. The orchestra has earned an enviable reputation for artistic performances and highly adventuresome programming. On eight occasions the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) has honored Russell and ProMusica for outstanding service to contemporary music.

For nine seasons, Russell served as Music Director and Conductor of The Naples Philharmonic in Florida. Under his leadership, the orchestra experienced dramatic growth in the size of their audience and became recognized as one of the finest performing ensembles in the southeastern United States, with a full-time resident core ensemble of forty musicians. In addition to the numerous symphonic, pops,

<sup>\*</sup> Out of respect for the performers and those audience members around you, please turn all beepers, cell phones and watches to their silent mode. Thank you.

and educational performances, Russell conducted a collaborative ballet series with the Miami City Ballet and its Artistic Director, Edward Villella. In November of 1990, Russell conducted the premiere performances of a new production of *The Nutcracker*, as choreographed by George Balanchine.

Timothy Russell and ProMusica have been active in the commissioning of new works. Russell's commitment to contemporary music, having conducted the world premiere performances of over eighty new compositions, is coupled with energetic and exacting renditions of a repertoire that covers over 300 years of musical composition.

A Danforth Foundation Fellow, Dr. Russell regularly leads pre-concert talks and symposia and is involved in research and publication. He is presently writing a book, *Mindful Music*, with renowned Harvard psychologist Ellen Langer. Dr. Russell has held academic appointments at The Ohio State University and the University of Rochester, including in its Eastman School of Music as an Associate Professor of Conducting and Ensembles.

Timothy and his wife, Jill, reside in Phoenix, Arizona, with their children, Kathryn and Geoffrey. They enjoy sports, travel and cooking.

# **ANNA CHRISTY**

The young soprano Anna Christy has earned rave reviews for her assumptions of lyric-coloratura roles. Her performance of Marie in La Fille du Régiment led the Columbus Dispatch to exclaim, "In sum, the young singer has that gift that can only be bestowed from above: star quality." Her performances at Glimmerglass Opera as Blonde in The Abduction from the Seraglio were also unanimously lauded by the critics: "Anna Christy managed to steal the show. Her energy on stage, effective use of movement and a glittering expressive, coloratura voice combined to make her performance close to perfect" (Observer-Dispatch, Utica); "Christy fashioned



an incredibly effective Blonde. Her light, flexible soprano voice and magnificent stage presence dominated more than just the stage" (*The Post-Standard*).

Ms. Christy's engagements in the 2002-2003 season included Zerlina in *Don Giovanni* with Los Angeles Opera, Blondchen in *Die Entfürung aus dem Serail* with Opera Pacific, Queen of the Night in *Die Zauberflöte* with Orlando Opera, Mrs. Nordstrom in *A Little Night Music* with New York City Opera, Rosina in *Il barbiere di Siviglia* with Nashville Opera, Mahler's *Symphony No. 4* with Eos Orchestra and *Messiah* with the ProMusica Chamber Orchestra in Columbus, Ohio. In the summer of 2003, Ms. Christy made her Santa Fe Opera debut as Jiang Ching II in *Madame Mao* (music by Bright Sheng, libretto by Colin Graham). In the 2003-2004 season, she makes her debuts with the San Francisco Opera as Angel More in *The Mother of Us All* and with the Milwaukee Symphony, and returns to New York City Opera. In the 2004-2005 season, Ms. Christy makes her debut with Lyric Opera of Chicago.

In the 2001-2002 season, Ms. Christy sang Annabelle in *The Glass Blowers*, Zerlina in *Don Giovanni*, Yum-Yum in *The Mikado* and Papagena in *Die Zauberflöte* with New York City Opera. Ms. Christy also sang Marie in *La Fille du Régiment* in a return to Opera Columbus and performed Handel's *Messiah* with the ProMusica Chamber

Orchestra. In the summer of 2002, Ms. Christy sang Tytania in A Midsummer Night's Dream with Central City Opera.

Ms. Christy's performances during the 2000-2001 season included Zerlina in *Don Giovanni* with Dayton Opera, and Adele in *Die Fledermaus* with Opera Columbus. In the summer of 2001, she sang Tytania in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Mlle. Silberklang in *The Impresario*, Luigia in *Viva la Mamma* and a concert with pianist Steven Blier at Wolf Trap Opera. Ms. Christy was also the soprano soloist in *Carmina burana* with the National Symphony Orchestra. During the summer of 2000, she appeared at Wolf Trap Opera as Zerlina in *Don Giovanni*, and as Valletto and Amor in *L'incoronazione di Poppea*. She is the recipient of Wolf Trap's 2000 Shouse Debut Artist Award.

In addition to her triumph at Glimmerglass, Ms. Christy's other credits include Norina in *Don Pasquale* with the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music ("She boasts a gleaming, flexible voice and prodigious acting skills" – *The Cincinnati Post*), Juliette in *Roméo et Juliette*, Anne Page in *The Merry Wives of Windsor* and *Carmina Burana* at the Brevard Music Center. Ms. Christy is a winner of a 2002 Sullivan Foundation Grant.

# **ASU ORCHESTRA PROGRAM**

The Arizona State University Orchestra Program in the Herberger College of Fine Arts School of Music is dedicated to providing the finest musical and educational opportunities for those qualified individuals interested in studying and performing a wide variety of orchestral music. The faculty and administration are committed to the training and development of professional orchestral performers (instrumentalists and conductors), orchestral music educators and therapists, musicologists, theorists, composers, arts administrators and future arts supporters. The students share in this commitment, aspiring to the highest possible standards of musical excellence.

Currently the program includes three ensembles: the University Symphony Orchestra, the Chamber Orchestra and the Sinfonietta. The University Symphony Orchestra presents many concerts on campus each year in the internationally acclaimed Gammage Center for the Performing Arts, which was designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. In recent years, the orchestra has collaborated with the Bolshoi Ballet and Ballet Arizona in highly acclaimed performances. Soloists with the orchestra include renowned faculty performers as well as such visiting guest artists as violinists Glenn Dicterow, Szymon Goldberg, Dylana Jenson, Ani Kavafian, and Edvard Melkus; cellists Colin Carr, Stephen Kates, and Lazlo Varga; pianists Ursula Oppens and Jeffrey Siegel; guitarist Manuel Lopez-Ramos; soprano Faye Robinson, the Roger Wagner Chorale; guest conductors Lukas Foss and Vincent Persichetti; and the hilarious PDQ Bach and Victor Borge. Outstanding student soloists, chosen through a rigorous competition on campus are presented in a "Concert of Soloists" each February. This concert also features the world premiere performance of the work, which has won the annual ASU Student Composition Contest. The Orchestra has a commitment to the performance of contemporary music and has premiered pieces by Michael Conway Baker, Randall Shinn and Chinary Ung, and performed a concert with visiting composer Joan Tower. The Orchestra has also produced two CD recordings, one of works by Eugene Anderson called Perception, available on d'Note Classics, and the other of works by Pulitzer Prizewinner George Walker, entitled Lilacs, and available on the Summit label.

# UNIVERSITY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

#### VIOLIN I

Eva Liebhaber\*\* 4 Liana Austin Matthew Fritz lamie Forseth Xian Meng Shanna Swaringen Jenwei Yu Megan Kemp Robert Dunger Melissa Niño Larry Dunn Heide Hille Lauren Rausch Kimberly Watson Aeryn Burley Britanie Hall

# VIOLIN II

Sarah Schreffler\* Mary Moser Amy Green Rebecca Valentino Jessica Belflower K. Brandon Ironside Brian Chun-Chih Chen Patricia Cole Lia Miller Cavce Miners Ellen Tollefson Heather Davidson 5 Ii-Hyun Lee Crystal Blakley Iill Schultz Katrina Bertrand Rebecca Williams

# VIOLA

Reva Kuzmich

Ioanna Sirlin\* Glori Vela J. J. Johnson Louis Privitera, Jr. Willinda M, Watkins 8 Rvan Berkseth Steven Heitlinger Alexander Vittal Amelia Daniels

#### CELLO

Min-Li Hwang\* 9 Michelle Morales Jenna Dalbey Annemarie Smith Erin Richardson Hope Shepherd loel Morgan Elizabeth Madsen Derek Stein Stefanie Schatz Marie Allen Mavis Enders

#### BASS

Waldir Bertipaglia\* Blake Thomson Marisin Alzamora-Rivera Krunoslav Kupresanin Akiko Kikuchi Daniel Stotz David Kopper Allison Zenner

#### FLUTE#

Monique Brouwer Christina Klapper Elany Mejia Nina Moran

# ALTO FLUTE

Nina Moran

# PICCOLO

Christina Klapper Elany Mejia

#### OBOE#

Annie Henneke Rebecca Jolly Ashley Reid Stephanie Simper

### **ENGLISH HORN**

Ashley Reid Stephanie Simper

# CLARINET#

Mindy Pyle Steven Agasa Lesley Hughes

#### BASS CLARINET Erin Finkelstein

BASSOON# Benjamin Yingst Ingrid Hagan Jim Onstott

David Wells

# CONTRABASSOON

Jim Onstott David Wells

#### HORN#

Genevieve Klassen Shona Brownlee Gustavo Camacho Rick Strong Rose French

# TRUMPET#

Brian Shook Allyn Swanson Jennifer Stirling Ivan Pour

#### TROMBONE

Nikki DoBell\* Charles Hopkins

#### **BASS TROMBONE** Mario Villalobos

TUBA William Russell

HARP# Kathryn Black Ingrid Lincoln

# **GUITAR**

Nenad Savio

# **ORGAN**

Homer Ferguson

# TIMPANI

Ellen Simon\*

# PERCUSSION

Ellen Simon\* Ben Dumbauld 10, 11 Pat Fanning Joseph Goglia 2 Michael Richau Bradley Stell

# \*\* Concertmaster

- Principal
- For this concert. this section will be using a rotating seating plan.

# ORCHESTRA ASSISTANTS

Kayoko Dan Daniel O'Bryant

# ORCHESTRA LIBRARIAN

Kayoko Dan

# **ORCHESTRA MANAGER**

Chris Niileksela

Special thanks to Sam Pilafian and Martin Schuring.

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# **ASU CHORAL UNION**

In its more than 30-year history, the Choral Union has enjoyed an outstanding performance reputation, both nationally and internationally. Members are auditioned volunteer singers from the ASU community, including students, faculty and staff, and residents of the Phoenix metropolitan area. Many of the members are professionally trained and have had extensive choral experience. Intensive weekly rehearsals are held from August through May. International tours take place every second or third summer, with approximately 80 to 100 singers from the ensemble joining with outstanding orchestras from the touring area. Recent tours include Australia in 2000 and Italy in 2002. Choral Union's repertoire includes works by Poulenc, Orff, Haydn, Brahms, Verdi, Beethoven, Mahler and Vaughan Williams. The 2003-2004 season includes Dona nobis pacem by Vaughan Williams with guest conductor Robert Porco, conductor of the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus and the Cincinnati May Festival Chorus, Poulenc's Gloria, and Orff's Carmina burana with the combined ASU Choirs in the spring.

To learn more about the ASU choral program, please visit us on the web at http://music.asu.edu/performance/choral.htm

### **DAVID SCHILDKRET**

David Schildkret is the Director of Choral Activities at Arizona State University. He conducts the Concert Choir and the Choral Union, and he supervises the doctoral choral conducting program. Previously, he taught at the University of Rochester and at Centre College in Danville, Kentucky. From 1995 to 2002, he was the dcan of the Salem College School of Music in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Dr. Schildkret holds degrees from Rutgers University and Indiana University. He is the Collegiate Repertory and Standards Chair for the Arizona Choral Directors Association and is the music director at Scottsdale United Methodist Church.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# University Symphony Orchestra

Concert of Soloists Monday, February 9, 2004, 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium - Free admission

# Chamber Orchestra

\*Shared program with Chamber Winds Colin Carr. cellist Tuesday, February 17, 2004, 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium - Free admission

### Sinfonietta

Shakespeare and Love Monday, February 23, 2004, 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium - Free admission

# Symphony Orchestra

\*Special performance for the Friends of Music in Wickenburg Sunday, March 7, 2004, 3:00 p.m. Del E. Webb Center for the Performing Arts in Wickenburg

# University Symphony Orchestra

Grand and Glorious Caio Pagano, piano

Thomas Landschoot, violoncello Wednesday, March 10, 2004, 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium - Free admission

# Sinfonietta and Chamber Orchestra

The French Connection

Wednesday, April 7, 2004, 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium - Free admission Kayoko Dan, guest conductor

# University Symphony Orchestra

Beloved Masterpieces

Wednesday, April 28, 2004, 7:30 p.m. Gammage Auditorium - Free admission Robert Barefield, bass-baritone

David Schildkret, conductor

\*Shared program with Choral Union, Concert Choir and University Choir

# CHORAL UNION

#### CONDUCTOR

David Schildkret

# **ASSISTANT CONDUCTOR**

Kenneth Owen

#### REHEARSAL ACCOMPANIST

Norman Jenson

#### SOPRANO

Gloria Alılberg Karen Renwick Annis Paula Barr 1 Robbie Brada Jeannie Chang Donna Cornelius Kayoko Dan Franchesca Dastrup Lila Deidiker Barbara Gould Linda Jaussi Hansen Krista Hetsler Cynthia Hoff Sherri Hyer Michal Jaksich Dellamac Jennison Ella Johnson Garinee Jording Pat Kenady Elizabeth Knudtson Colleen Krause Shira Lavinsky Allyson Lorens Sr. Joan Marie Madden Lisa Marut Alissa McCarthy Linda McCormick Wendy Nicholls Michaline Olijnyk Linda Petersen Naomi Peterson Mary Price Holly Richardson Shari Samuelson-Wesely Kathryn Sawyer Hazel Schiau Linda Shell Meigan Stack Jean J. Steele Kristen Thomasson

Doris Tyldesley Eleanore Wardlaw

Patricia Whitehurst

#### ALTO

Evonne Beattie Mary Jo Becker Amanda Joy Block Marilyn Brafford Alice Buseck Moon Jong Chang Barbara Daniel Kimberly Davis Diane DeLello Arlys Eaton Diana Ellsworth Christina Forkner Susan Fuhrer Gini Gregg Allison Holden Carolyn Holden Dorothy M. Johnsen lennifer Kasl Susan Lawson lennifer Lee lane Little Lisa McCartney Jennifer Mitchell Lori Muckey<sup>2</sup> Angela Olsen-Joyce Muriel Osder Angela Owen Irene Pappas Ellen Patera Priscilla Poese less Powell Glenda Rauscher Diane Renne Nancy M. Rosenthal Lu Sanford Ashley Schriefer Barbara Storch Christine Storey Anne Stumpf

Judy Waltz

#### TENOR

Bill Beattie Cameron Becker Christopher Boggs<sup>4</sup> James Diaz Brent Gardner Richard S. Haines Melanie Henrichs Jeong H. Kim Zane Knudtson Kee Tae Kong Vincent Lane Robert E. Moodie Philip VanderMeer Bernard Van Emden Donald F. Weaver

#### BASS

William A. Coghlan David F. Doeller John Dunning Edward Flora Nathan Forkner James Gastonguay Ryan Gastonguay David Hale Allen Holloway IR Hooker Norman Jenson Robert J. Johnsen Ion Kleen Richard Larsen lames Lawson Dennis Link Charles Newton Kenneth Owen Richard Reiss Warren Riggers Robert Rosenthal Dan Sagramoso Ron Sautter Mark Sims Gerald Widemark Jan Williams

- Bertha Autenrieth
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