

Arizona State University

# School of Music

## Graduate Chorale I

*Robb Butler*  
*Kimilee McCreary*  
*Conductors*

*Matthew Larson*  
*Accompanist*

## Graduate Chorale II

*Nicki L. Bakko*  
*Joel Schreuder*  
*Conductors*

*Mory Ortman*  
*Accompanist*

Thursday, December 2, 1999

7:30 P.M.

Organ Hall



## Conductors' Biographies

**Nicki L. Bakko** is pursuing her Masters of Music degree in Choral Music Education. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Vocal Music Education from Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, where she studied with René Clausen, Christopher Cock, and Daniel Moe. Nicki has spent the past three years as Director of Choral Music in public and parochial education where she conducted seven vocal ensembles and taught private voice. Currently, she teaches at Northwest Community Christian School and Arcadia Music Academy. She is also director of the Celebration Singers at Ascension Lutheran Church in Scottsdale and the Alpha Choir and Bel Canto Singers at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Mesa.

**Robb Butler** comes from Denver, Colorado where he has spent the past 13 years. During that time he has held the positions of Chorus Master of the Denver Opera Company under Maestro Nicholas Laurienti and Associate Conductor of the Denver Concert Chorale. Robb has also been active in church music for many years. While in Denver, He was appointed the Director of Choral Music at the Church of the Holy Ghost, the only Roman Catholic Church in the Archdiocese to offer a weekly Latin High Mass. Robb's professional solo career has taken him to the stages of the Sante Fe Opera and the Kent Opera in London, as well as appearances with the Denver Symphony and Opera Colorado. Currently Robb is pursuing a Master of Music Education degree in choral conducting.

**Kimilee D. McCreary**, an Arizona native, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Music Education at Grand Canyon University in 1988 and a Master of Music degree from Arizona State University in 1991. She is currently pursuing a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in choral conducting. From 1988 to 1995 she was a member of the music faculty at Grand Canyon University, where she served as the Director of Choirs from 1993-1995. In addition to her teaching experience, McCreary has served in a number of church music positions in various denominations. An ordained minister, Rev. McCreary is currently the Minister of Music and Worship at Community Church of Hope in Phoenix, AZ. In addition to her work at CCH, she is also the Artistic Director for Arizona Women in Tune, a women's community chorus which is affiliated with GALA, an international choral association.

**Joel Schreuder** recently finished three years as head of the choral program at Bethel High School in Tacoma, Washington. While in Tacoma, he also directed Pacific Lutheran University's vocal jazz ensemble, Park Avenue—a group he sang in as an undergraduate at PLU. He received his Masters in Choral Conducting at Washington State University, where he served as assistant conductor of the WSU Concert Choir. Joel's choirs have performed and competed all over the Northwest, making appearances at the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival and winning top honors at Vancouver, BC's Heritage Choral Festival.

## A Hymn to the Virgin

Of one that is so fair and bright,  
Brighter than the day is light,  
I cry to thee, thou see to me,  
Lady, pray thy Son for me,  
That I may come to thee.

All this world was forlorn,  
Till our Lord was y-born.  
With *Ave* it went away,  
Darkest night, and comes the day.  
The well springeth out of thee.

Lady, flow'r of ev'rything,  
Thou bare Jesu, Heaven's King,  
Of all thou bear'st the prize,  
Lady, queen of paradise  
Maid mild, mother you are the creator.

**Benjamin Britten**  
(1913-1976)

*Just as Mary's Star,  
A Parent and a Maiden*

*So atone,  
Maria!*

*Eve's original sin.  
For all generations*

*Salvation;  
Virtuous.*

*Rose without thorns,  
Thankfully Serving God:*

*Chosen one:  
you are the creator.*

## Lost in the Night

**Finnish folk song**  
**arr. F. M. Christiansen**  
(1871-1955)

Jennifer Randolph, soprano

## Tomorrow Shall be my Dancing Day

**John Gardner**

## Christmas Cantata, Mvt. III

**Daniel Pinkham**

Glory to God in the highest and on earth,  
to men of good will,  
peace and love a biding.

O be joyful in the Lord, ye nations,  
With gladness serve the Lord.

Come before Him, come before His presence,  
come unto Him with singing, joy and exultation.

Now know ye: know that the Lord He is God  
strong and mighty  
He created us and not we ourselves.

Alleluia!

## Chorale I

Robb Butler

Kim McCreary

Matthew Larsen, accompanist

### Soprano

Marshann Burk  
Kellie Friedmutter  
Dena Holland  
Jennifer Kagikas  
Tina Larsen  
Alicia Morgan  
Carrie Oliver

### Alto

Janessa Anderson  
Tiffani Brown  
Christin Hill  
Alissa James  
Kim McCreary

### Tenor

Paeter Frandsen  
James Seifert  
Robby Sharpe

### Bass

Howard Bartlow  
Kevin Brower  
Robb Butler  
Mark Lawlor  
Ben Slavin  
Mark White

## Chorale II

Nicki Bakko

Joel Schreuder

Mory Ortman, accompanist

### Soprano

Michelle Murray  
Melissa Nelson  
Amanda Osman  
Jennifer Randolph  
Robyn Simmons  
Sara Swim  
Katherine Talley  
Alicia Wright

### Alto

Andrea Baad  
Nicki Bakko  
Amy Hackerd  
Susan Marcus  
Lisa Pepka  
Amanda Porter

### Tenor

Michael Empey  
Sean Mahoney  
Mory Ortman  
Ryan Smit

### Bass

John Dooley  
Jared Edwards  
Zoran Jasmak  
Brook Larson  
Jason Paul  
Matt Paustian  
Joel Schreuder

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### I. Robb Butler, conductor

#### Diffusa Est Gratia

Giovanni Maria Nanino  
(ca. 1545-1607)

“Full of grace are thy lips,  
because God hath blessed Thee forever.  
All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes and cassia:  
out of ivory palaces,  
whereby they have made Thee glad.  
Kings’ daughters are among Thy honourable women.” Psalm 45:2, 8-9

#### There Is No Rose of Such Vertu

Ronald Roxbury  
(b. 1946)

#### E’en So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

Paul Manz  
(b. 1919)

#### O Holy Night

Mark Hayes  
(b. 1953)

### II. Kimilee D. McCreary, conductor

#### Hodie Christus natus est

Jan Pieters Sweelinck  
(1562-1621)

Today Christ is born; today the Savior has appeared.  
Today the angels sing, the Archangels rejoice.  
Today the righteous rejoice, saying:  
“Glory to God in the highest. Alleluia!”

#### Ave Maria

Tomás Luis de Victoria  
(ca. 1548-1611)

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

#### I’ll Ay Call in By Yon Town

arr. Mack Wilberg

#### Festival Sanctus

John Leavitt

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## Graduate Chorale II

Nicki L. Bakko, conductor  
Joel Schreuder, conductor

**Versa est in luctum (from *Requiem*)** Tomás Luis de Victoria  
(ca. 1548-1611)

My harp is turned to mourning  
and my music into the voice of those that weep.  
Spare me, Lord, for my days are nothing.

**In Paradisum** Edwin Fissinger

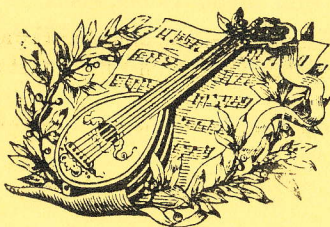
May the angels lead you into paradise;  
May the Martyrs welcome you upon your arrival,  
and lead you into the holy city of Jerusalem.  
May a choir of angels welcome you,  
and, with poor Lazarus of old,  
may you have eternal rest.

**Gate Gate** Brian Tate  
(b. 1954)

Gone, gone, gone all the way over,  
everyone gone to the other shore,  
enlightenment, Halleluia!

**There is a flower** John Rutter

Melissa Nelson, soprano  
Robyn Simmons, soprano



## Upcoming Events

December 2-5 Choral Union with PSO - Christmas Concerts  
Symphony Hall

December 5 Concert Choir and University Choir 2:30 PM  
ASU Gammage Auditorium



## **ASU CHORAL FACULTY**

Dr. David Stocker, Director of Choirs  
Dr. George Umberson, Professor of Choral Music  
Dr. Karen Parthun, Faculty Associate of Choral Music

## **ASU CHORAL STAFF**

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Brook Larson, Teaching Assistant  
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