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MUSIC

Presents

# A Rose in Winter

**SOU Concert Choir** Christine Eggert, Director

**SOU Chamber Choir** 

Dr. Paul French, Director

December 1, 2017 • 3:00 p.m. SOU Music Recital Hall

## PERSONNEL

## **SOU Concert Choir**

Soprano Katie Cook Marion DeVore Katie-Lynn Fernandez Carrie Hults Ariana Orford Gwyn Pass Zoe Stadler Ashley Stewart \*Molly Williams

## Alto

Wren Eustis Quinci Freeman-Lytle Cassidy Hausmann-Mason Brittany Hreha Mikayla Mitchell Bre Molina Emery Rafka Geri Shimabukuro \*Emily Wilson

#### Tenor

Sean Carter Steven Gough \*Strand Hill Galen James-Heskett Dreyson Knauss Nolan Sanchez Logan Tiedt Justin Wade

Bass

Ryan Fogleman James Friedman Jordan Johnson Hanul Lee Isaiah Spratt Jesse Swafford \*Hayden Swanson Harry Yost

## SOU Chamber Choir

Soprano Bailey Aldrich Jacqueline Batman Savannah King Dacey McCrae Erin Morlan Andrea Sandoval \*Muriel Sadleir Hart Bailey Snelgrove Kaede Springer Molly Williams

Alto Lauren Arnold Marissa Cato Mari Donahue \*Gracie Ewert Maddie Hamilton Gracie Jurczyk Bre Molina Sara Murnane Ariana Orford Katie Schwarz

*Tenor* Danny Hernandez \*Strand Hill Owen Hucke Jared Lowry Zach Marshall Daniel Munoz Logan Tiedt Katherine Tyler

Bass Geo Betus Kyle Colgan Dreyson Knauss Matthew Grand \*Jeff Meyers Clark Morningstar

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of new and seldom heard repertoire, French has commissioned over 40 pieces of music and conducted the west coast premieres of many more, including the second performance in the United States and west-coast premiere of Robert Levin's celebrated 1991 edition of the Mozart "Requiem." That performance was later praised by Willene Gunn, Director Emerita of the San Francisco Opera Program, as "measuring up to anything I have heard in any concert hall... anywhere." French has conducted for Northwest Bach Ensemble, Rogue Valley Symphony Orchestra, Chelan Bach Festival, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Britt Festival, and Rogue Opera, where his conducting credits include: La bohème, Carmen, La Traviata, Die Zauberflöte, and Così fan tutte. French has conducted honor choirs across the west coast, served as Oregon state

#### **TRANSLATIONS FOR TEXTS:**

## Nunc dimittis (The Song of Simeon)UbicNow releaseWhe

Now dismiss Thy servant, O Lord, in peace according to Thy word

For my own eyes hath seen Thy salvation

Which Thou hast prepared in the sight of all the peoples,

A light to reveal Thee to the nations and the glory of Thy people Israel

Es ist ein Ros entsprungen

Lo, How a Rose e'er blooming

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming From tender stem hath sprung! Of Jesse's lineage coming, As men of old have sung

It came a floweret bright Amid the cold of winter, When half spent was the night Ubi caritas Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us revere and love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another. Amen.

## Muusika

It must be somewhere, the original harmony, Somewhere in great nature, hidden. Is it in the furious infinite, in distant stars' orbits, is it in the sun's scorn, in a tiny flower, in treegossip, in heartmusic's mothersong or in tears? It must be somewhere, immortality, Somewhere the original harmony must be found: How else could it infuse the human soul, that music?

## PROGRAM

	<b>SOU Concert Choir</b> Christine Eggert, Director With Isaiah Spratt, piano Logan Tiedt, lighting design	1
<b>Raddir</b> (2016)	Arr. For Isaiah Spratt, organ Greyson Boydston, marimba Jared Brown, vibraphone Patrick Duvall, vibraphone Logan Rickard, vibraphone	Ólafur Arnalds (b. 1986) vibraphones by Jared Brown
Nunc dimittis (2007)	I Molly Williams, soprano Quinci Freeman-Lytle, alto Logan Tiedt, tenor Hayden Swanson, bass	Pawel Lukaszewski (b. 1949)
<b>The Frost</b> (2016)		Kathleen Allan (b. 1989)
<i>Es ist ein Ros entsprungen (1995)</i> Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)/ Jan Sandström (b. 1953) Carrie Hults, soprano Molly Williams, soprano Cassidy Hausman-Mason, alto Emily Wilson, alto Strand Hill, tenor Logan Tiedt, tenor James Friedman, bass Hayden Swanson, bass		
Ubi caritas (2014)	Isaiah Spratt, piano	Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)
Muusika (2003)		Pärt Uusberg (b. 1986)

INTERMISSION

SOU Chamber Choir		
Dr. Paul French, Director		
With Jodi French, piano		
Logan Tiedt, lighting design		

In dulci jubilo		Matthew Cullton (b. 1976)
Lux nova	Bailey Snelgrove, soprano	Eric Whitacre (b. 1970)
Gloria	Bailey Snelgrove, soprand Strand Hill, tenor	Hyo-Won Woo (b. 1974)
O Emmanuel	Ariana Orford, alto	Eriks Esenvalds (b. 1977)
Wait's Carol		Hugh Thomas (1912-2002)
The Shepherd's Carol		Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)
Sweet Was the Song	Molly Williams, soprano Jodi French, piano	Bob Chilcott (b. 1955
Noel	Clark Morningstar, tenor Strand Hill, bass Katherine Tyler, tenor Zachery Marshall, bass Jared Brown, percussion	Todd Smith (b 1956) (Arr. Brad Holmes)
See, Amid the Winter's Snow	SOU Combined Choirs	Dan Forrest (b. 1978)
	Ars longa vita brevis	

Piano Tuning by Steinway Concert Piano Technician Thomas Lowell

#### SOU CONCERT CHOIR

Our largest vocal ensemble, the SOU Concert Choir performs a wide variety of musical styles from Renaissance to 21st century. This ensemble performs a concert at the end of each term in the SOU Music Recital Hall as well as occasionally performing at community events. In addition, SOU Concert Choir has gone on tour in Oregon and also performed with the Rogue Valley Symphony and the Rogue Valley Symphonic Band. The SOU Concert Choir draws members form all parts of the campus community with students from Nursing, Education, Theater, Science, Music and other programs. The group is non-auditioned and has in recent years dedicated many of its performances to young composers. The SOU Concert Choir seeks to provide composition students at SOU an opportunity to have their works performed in concert.

**Christine Eggert** is a Canadian pianist. Ms. Eggert debuted on CBC radio as a piano soloist at age 16. She has since performed across Canada and internationally in the United States, Austria, and Ireland. Ms. Eggert holds a Master's degree from University of British Columbia, a Bachelor's of Music with Distinction from University of Alberta, an ARCT from the Royal Conservatory of Toronto, and has completed collaborative piano studies at the Franz Schubert Institute in Baden bei Wien, Austria, under the world's foremost lieder specialists, including Rudolf Jansen, Elly Ameling, and Julius Drake. In 2014 Ms. Eggert joined the Oregon Center for the Arts at Southern Oregon University as Artist Faculty in the Music Program, where she teaches music theory and history, as well as teaching piano and directing the SOU Concert Choir. She is also a highly sought-after teacher and maintains an active private studio in the Rogue Valley. Today's performance marks Ms. Eggert's first appearance on the podium.

## SOU CHAMBER CHOIR

Dedicated to the highest levels of ensemble singing, the SOU Chamber Choir has performed to acclaim throughout the west coast of the United States, and internationally in Asia, Europe, and Mexico. Praised by iconic composer Morten Lauridsen as "superb ... in the top rank of university chamber choirs in the United States", the 40-voice ensemble specializes in new and seldom-heard repertoire, as well as the performance of large-scale choral-orchestral works such as J.S. Bach's Mass in b minor, and Saint Matthew Passion. Chamber Choir collaborated this Fall with internationally acclaimed soprano, Julianne Baird who praised the group for its "crystalline diction and pitch" saying that the performance achieved a "transcendence" and that it was a privilege to perform with them. The SOU Chamber Choir has performed numerous times with the Rogue Valley Symphony Orchestra, recorded for the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, and has been a featured ensemble at conventions for the National Association for Music Education.

**Dr. Paul French** is Director of Choral /Vocal Studies at Southern Oregon University and Artistic Director/Conductor of the Southern Oregon Repertory Singers. Ensembles under his direction have performed to acclaim across the west coast, at numerous conventions (American Choral Directors Association, Music Educators National Conference, American Guild of Organists), and internationally at music festivals in the Czech Republic, Germany, and Mexico. Known for his performances