

THE GIRL CHOIR OF SOUTH FLORIDA PRESENTS



Carol of the Birds

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5:00 PM

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Carol of the Birds

CONCERT CHOIR

How Good!.....Michael Engelhardt

Tshela Moya / Ke nna yo Morena.....Sesotho Hymns
arr. Michael Barrett

Tshela Moya and *Ke nna yo Morena* are hymns frequently sung in Christian churches across South Africa. This arrangement was composed for the Tuks Camerata choir of the University of Pretoria in South Africa, and their rendition serves as the foundation for our performance.

CONCERT & HARMONY CHOIRS

Be Like the Bird.....Abbie Betinis

PRIMES & PRELUDE CHOIRS

Ay! Mi Palomita.....Traditional Dominican Lullaby
arr. Juan Tony Guzmán

Oh! My Little Dove

*Oh my dove, who I adored,
She grew little wings, and flew away.
She ate neither wheat nor rice,
and was nourished only with my love.*

Winter Wonderland.....Felix Bernard & Dick Smith
arr. Jeff Funk

PRIMES, PRELUDE, MEZZO, & MELODY CHOIRS

Zol Zain Shoelm.....Eastern European Jewish Song
arr. Joshua Jackson

"Zol Zain Shoelm" is sung in Yiddish, a language that has elements of both German and Hebrew. It translates to "let there be peace." The subsequent verses mention other elements associated with Chanukah, such as latkes (potato pancakes) and spinning toy dreidels.

MEZZO & MELODY CHOIRS

Carol of the Birds.....French Carol, arr. Beth Hoekje

Carol of the Birds, or as it is known in French, *Le Noel des Oiseaux*, is sung in both English and French in this arrangement, telling the Christmas story from the perspective of the birds and other winged creatures.

A Cuckoo Flew Out of the Woods.....Slovak Carol
arr. B. Wayne Bisbee

Super Santa.....Andy Beck & Brian Fisher

CHAMBER SINGERS

Christmas Time Is Here.....Vince Guaraldi & Lee Mendelson
from *A Charlie Brown Christmas* arr. Robert Sterling

Shchedryk.....Ukrainian Carol, arr. Mykola Leontovych

Song of Good Cheer

Song of good cheer, song of good cheer!

*A swallow is here,
chirping her song,*

calling out the master of the house:

*"Come out, come out, master,
take a look at your manger!*

*The sheep there have mated
and the little lambs have been born.*

*If all your animals stay healthy,
you will have a pot of money!*

*And should your money turn to chaff,
you still have a good-looking wife!"*

Song of good cheer, song of good cheer!

A swallow is here!



CHAMBER SINGERS

Song of the Birds.....Catalan Folk Song, arr. Henry Leck & Martin Ellis

Mi Ze Hidlik.....Folk melody, arr. Elliot Z. Levine, text by Levin Kipnis

Who Has Kindled?

Who has lit these thin candles like stars from above?

The children themselves know that today is Hanukka.

Every happy candle, every dear candle, burns, hints, sparkles.

The children stand around and their joy is boundless.

Be the Light.....Franklin J. Willis

CONCERT & HARMONY CHOIRS

Odun De.....Traditional Nigerian song
arr. Kwasi Dunyo and Karen Howard

“Odun De” means “Happy New Year” in the Yoruba language, and the subsequent lyrics share gratitude for the coming year.

Ocho Kandelikas.....Flory Jagoda, arr. Joshua Jacobson

In this piece, the Jewish-American composer memories from her childhood in Yugoslavia of Chanukah parties that were filled with dancing, singing, and almond-honey cakes. The song is sung in Ladino, an Old Spanish-derived language traditionally associated with the Sephardic Jewish community.

The Twelve Days After Christmas.....Frederick Silver

Audience sing-along

Here Comes Santa Claus.....Gene Autry & Oakley Haldeman

Jingle Bells.....James Pierpont

Silent Night.....Franz Gruber

Deck the Hall.....Welsh Carol

Featuring GCSF alumnae

We Wish You a Merry Christmas.....English Folksong
arr. Emily Crocker

PERFORMERS

CHAMBER SINGERS

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| Emma Contreras | Madison Gause |
| Emma-Rose Ridley | Natalie Marsh |
| Esme Scott | Olivia Thompson |
| Jennifer Scott* | River Kuliszewski |
| | Zoey Cueto |



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Dariana Godoy
Graciela Rodriguez
Haley Seal
Jazmyne Joseph

Judith Pearlyn Patiance
Juliana Wachs
Nicole dos Santos
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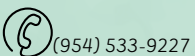
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