# North Valley Chorale





### **Eleanor Johnson, Director**

**Camelback Bible Church** 3900 E. Stanford Drive Paradise Valley, Arizona 85253

Saturday May 11, 2019 3:00 pm

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## North Valley Chorale dedicates this 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert

*With great admiration and sincere appreciation to our beloved* 

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#### Dan Thomson, Emcee

Organ & Piano Francesco Alleruzzo Flute Lee Chivers

#### (Please hold your applause until the conclusion of each segment)

Zion's Walls Adapted by Aaron Copland

Adapted by Aaron Copland Arr: Glenn Koponen

#### At the River

Adapted by Aaron Copland Arr: R. Wilding White

#### **Ching-A-Ring-Chaw**

Adapted by Aaron Copland Arr: Irving Fine



Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel?

Traditional Spiritual Arr: Greg Gilpin

#### Sometimes I Feel Like A Motherless Child

Traditional Spiritual Arr: Jay Althouse

Soloist: Emily Seymour

#### Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

Traditional Spiritual Arr: Moses Hogan

#### Soloist: Stephen Schermitzler



Words: Robert Burns

#### A Red, Red Rose

Music: James Mulholland

Ed: Walter Rodby

#### The Gift To Be Simple

Traditional Shaker Tune Arr: Bob Chilcott

#### A Welsh Lullaby

Traditional Welsh Arr: K. Lee Scott

Soloist: Catherine Le

#### Shenandoah

American Folksong Arr: James Erb Soloists: Jaspreet Bains, Stephen Schermitzler



#### Home on the Range

Traditional Arr: Mark Hayes

#### Harmonica: Dr. Craig Metzger

*The North Valley Chorale dedicates their rendition of "Home on the Range" to the Honorable Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and her beloved Lazy B Ranch.* 

#### Light of a Clear Blue Morning

Words and Music: Dolly Parton Arr: Craig Hella Johnson

Soloist: Carolyn Nyland

#### When the Saints Go Marching In

American Traditional Song Arr: John Rutter

(Please join us in the last verse)

Oh, when the saints go marching in, Oh, when the saints go marching in, Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, When the saints go marching in.



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#### (Please hold your applause until the conclusion of each segment)

#### My Soul's Been Anchored In The Lord

Traditional Spiritual Arr: Moses Hogan

#### **Poor Wayfaring Stranger**

Southern American Folk Song Arr: Russell Robinson

#### The Angels Will Guide You Home

Music: Michael Frassetti, NVC Composer in Residence

Words: Anonymous

Soloists: Carolyn Nyland, Jaspreet Bains



#### Laudate Dominum

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Ed: Nancy Tefler

#### Soloist: Sarah Smith

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes Laudate eum, omnes populi Quoniam confirmata est Super nos misericordia eius, Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper. Et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Praise the Lord, all nations; Praise Him, all people. For He has bestowed His mercy upon us, And the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever, and for generations of generations. Amen.

#### Laudamus Te

Karl Jenkins

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. We praise you. We bless you. We adore you. We glorify you. We give thanks to you for your great glory.

#### Nella Fantasia (In My Fantasy)

Music: Ennio Morricone

Arr: Audrey Snyder

Italian Lyrics: Chiara Ferrau

Soloists: Sarah Smith, Stephen Schermitzler

Nella fantasia io vedo un mondo giusto Li tutti vivono in pace e in onesta Io sogno d'anime che sono sempre libere Come le nuvole che volano Pien' d'umanita in fondo all'anima

Nella fantasia io vedo un mondo chiaro Li anche la notte meno oscura Io sogno d'anime che sono sempre libere Come le nuvole che volano Pien' d'umanita in fondo all'anima

Nella fantasia esiste un vento caldo Che soffia sulle citta, come amico Io sogno d'anime che sono sempre libere Come le nuvole che volano Pien' d'umanita in fondo all'anima In my fantasy I see a world of justice Where all people live in peace and honesty I dream of a world where spirits will be always free They will be ever free like floating clouds

Full of humanity within the deepest soul

In my fantasy I see a world of radiance Where darkest nights are ever brighter. I dream of a world where spirits will be always free

They will be ever free like floating clouds Full of humanity within the deepest soul

In my fantasy I feel the caress of the warm wind that breathes over the city like an old friend,

I dream of a world where spirits will be always free,

They will be ever free like floating clouds Full of humanity within the deepest soul

#### What a Wonderful World

Words and Music: George Davis Weiss and Bob Thiele Arr: Mark Hayes

Soloists: Kelly Johnson, Vince Lane

Good Night, Dear Heart

(from the headstone of Mark Twain's daughter Susy)

Text: Robert Richardson and Mark Twain

Warm summer sun shine kindly here, Warm southern wind, blow softly here, Green sod above, lie light, lie light, Good night dear heart, Good night, good night.

#### **Alway Something Sings**

Words: Ralph Waldo Emerson

Music: Dan Forrest

Soloists: Sarah Smith, Jaspreet Bains, Christopher Herrera, Vince Lane, Stephen Schermitzler

> Let me go where'er I will I hear a sky-born music still; It sounds from all things old, It sounds from all things young, From all that's fair, from all that's foul, Peals out a cheerful song.

It is not only in the rose, It is not only in the bird, Not only where the rainbow glows, Nor in the song of woman heard. But in the darkest, meanest things. There alway, alway something sings.

'Tis not in the high stars alone, Nor in the cup of budding flowers, Nor in the robin's mellow tone, Nor in the bow that smiles in showers, But in the darkest, meanest things There alway, alway something sings.

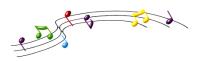
#### **Over the Rainbow**

Music: Harold Arlen

Arr: Mark Hayes

Lyrics: E. Y. Harburg

Soloist: Michelle Nettle



Music: Dan Forrest

#### Time to Say Goodbye (Con Te Partiro)

Words and Music: Francesco Sartori, Lucio Quarantotto, Frank Peterson Arr: Mac Huff

#### Soloists: Shannon Barrett, Carolyn Nyland, Emily Seymour

Quando sono solo sogno all'orizzonte e mancan le parole, Si lo so che non c'è luce in una stanza quando manca il sole, Se non ci sei tu con me, con me

> Su le finestre mostra a tutti il mio cuore che hai acceso, chiudi dentro me la luce che hai incontrato per strada.

> Time to say goodbye. Paesi che non ho mai veduto e vissuto con te, adesso si li vivrò, Con te partirò su navi per mari che, io lo so, no, no, non esistono più. It's time to say goodbye...

Quando sei lontana sogno all'orizzonte e mancan le parole, e io sì lo so che sei con me, tu mia luna tu sei qui con me, mio sole tu sei qui con me, con me, con me, con me.

Time to say goodbye. Paesi che non ho mai veduto e vissuto con te, adesso si li vivrò. Con te partirò su navi per mari che, io lo so, no, no, non esistono più, con te io li rivivrò. Con te partirò su navi per mari che, io lo so, no, no, non esistono più, con te io li rivivrò. Con te partirò. Io con te.

When I'm alone I dream on the horizon and words fail; yes, I know there is no light in a room where the sun is absent, if you are not with me, with me.

> At the windows show everyone my heart which you set alight; enclose within me the light you encountered on the street.

Time to say goodbye to countries I never saw and shared with you, now, yes, I shall experience them. I'll go with you on ships across seas which, I know, no, no, exist no longer. It's time to say goodbye...

When you are far away I dream on the horizon And words fail, and, Yes, I know that you are with me; you, my moon, are here with me, my sun, you are here with me, with me, with me, with me.

Time to say goodbye To countries I never Saw and shared with vou, now, yes, I shall experience them. I'll ao with vou On ships across seas which, I know, no, no, exist no longer, with you I shall experience them again. I'll go with you on ships across seas Which, I know, No, no, exist no longer; with you I shall experience them again. I'll go with you, I with you.



#### North Valley Chorale

#### **Eleanor Johnson, Director\***

#### Soprano

Tenor

**Jaspreet Bains** 

Tony DiBacco Philip Digati

Joe Johnson

Vince Lane

Peter Lafford

Elizabeth Aldridge Kelley Jean Bagby Judy Blaisdell **Patricia Dumovic** Pam Fischer \* Melody Gallo **Barbara Hoehne** Mary Ann Iagulli \* **Kelly Johnson** Catherine Le Linda Morales Anita Murcko \* Michelle Nettle **Carolyn Nyland** Michelle Rorvig Julie Rose **Angie Schermitzler** Meghan Skillen Sarah Smith **Kay Truemper Bridget White** Jeanette Winzeler **Beverly Zduniak** 

#### Alto

Shannon Barrett Gretchen Dempsey **Christine Dermanelian** Jennifer Gibson Katherine Gleason **Kimberly Jorgensen** Kate Krietor **Barbara Lafford Courtney Lohrenz** Sally-Heath Lloyd Fern Miller Margaret Neno \* Terry Palmer Anna Prassa **Michelle Serries** Mara Sevig **Emily Seymour** Amberly Smith **Randy Weiss** Linda Williamson

#### Bass

Gary Ciba Brad Doebbeling Ralph Dumovic Christopher Herrera Graham Johnson \* Craig Metzger Gervais Neno Jim Nicol Jim Pourchot John Prosek \* Stephen Schermitzler Gary Thomson \* Mark Wallace \*

\*NVC Board of Directors



**Eleanor Johnson** is the founding Director of the North Valley Chorale (NVC). For over 30 years, Mrs. Johnson has played an important role in Arizona's music community. A testimony to her leadership, NVC has grown since 2008 from 12 singers of sacred music to over 70 singers with a repertoire spanning pop, Broadway, classical and patriotic music. Under her direction, the NVC has performed Handel's *Messiah* at

Carnegie Hall in New York City, *Music Man* in Concert at the Orpheum, and led the group in holiday selections at Radio City Music Hall before the Rockette's Christmas Spectacular and two seasons of Broadway at the Herberger. When she is not teaching or directing, Eleanor enjoys her grandchildren, hiking, gardening, crossword puzzles and traveling with Graham, her love for over 40 years.

#### **Message from the Director**

This has been a difficult program to schedule as we're not only celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, but we're preparing to go on our 2<sup>nd</sup> International tour. As a result of this, I have decided to combine some of our audience favorites from the past ten years, with a large portion of Americana. Our tour will be taking us to Ireland, Scotland and England with an add-on to Normandy, France to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landing in Normandy. We'll not only be singing in some great cathedrals but also in a castle, a nursing home and at the American Cemetery in Normandy....which takes me to my choice of repertoire---all pieces either composed by contemporary American composers (including our composer in residence, Michael Frassetti), or arranged by American composers, which we thought our British audience would enjoy.

As ever, I am indebted to so very many people who work tirelessly for the Chorale:

Our incredible volunteers, under the direction of Karen Thomson.

Our board, under the direction of our president, Dr. Anita Murcko, especially our treasurer, John Prosek, who is truly one of God's chosen servants as it is he who arrives first, sets up, greets everyone, collects money, etc and then is the last to leave.

Our librarian, Carol Rosales, who unfortunately could not be with us due to her work but who has had to keep up with the immense volume of music which is needed for all of our performances.

Our Vice-President, Charley Hudson, who is also our corresponding secretary, and the person who keeps me on track (not easy task). Unfortunately, Charley also was not able to join us due to a family graduation.

My husband, Graham, who works countless hours on tour work as well as publicity.

Our wardrobe lady—Mary Ann Iagulli—who sewed all of our green vests, organized all of our wardrobe for past concerts as well as for tour and never lost her cool, even once.

Our hospitality person—the hostess with the mostest—Margaret Neno for all her work providing goodies, birthday cakes, etc for our Sunday rehearsals as well as writing grants along with her husband Gervais.

For Gary Thomson, Pam Fischer, Dr. Mark Wallace, Shannon Barrett & our board member in waiting—Peter Lafford for all they do to keep this organization going. I could not do what I do, without all the assistance I get from them.

Francesco Alleruzzo—our accompanist, who totally re-arranged his schedule to join us, not only for this concert but for our tour. You are such an immense gift. Thank you for answering my desperate call.

Angie & Stephen Schermitzler who go above & beyond by providing rehearsal materials for the various sections and who assist me by taking sectionals.

Our NVC members and their families who support them -you are THE best and you've made the past 10 years so much fun.

Our audience who have supported us over the years—you have made these past 10 years a wonderful journey.



#### **In Appreciation**

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<sup>1</sup>In memory of Ethel Melina Johnson

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Thank you, Eleanor, for your perseverance, and patience, these past ten plus years. It has been a pleasure to be part of this group since its inception. You are an amazing, talented and gifted music director. Here's to 10 more years together.

The Nenos



Mom Happy Mother's Day! |Love You, Jenny

## IN MEMORIAM

#### GOOD-BYE FATHER FRANK



#### REST IN PEACE REVEREND BILL



Recently, two of our valley's religious leaders have left us.

They have provided guidance and inspiration to some of the members of the North Valley Chorale and to the people of the Phoenix area communities.

Reverend Frank Fernandez Reverend Dr. Culver Nelson 1938 - 2019 1926 - 2019 For all the fathers and mothers not here with us.





We Gotta Sing our love!



Graham's mum, Ethel, with great-grandson, James

#### In Loving Memory of Ethel Melina Johnson

Born January 4<sup>th</sup>, 1928 Guided Home by the Angels April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019



Our dear Claudía Navarrete Not a rehearsal goes by when we don't miss your beautiful voice in the alto section. Our loss is truly heaven's gain as now you get to "sing with the angels".

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### North Valley Chorale About Us

The North Valley Chorale (NVC) is a voluntary, nonprofit **501(c)(3)** community choir established 2008. We are dedicated to the **cultural, musical, and social enrichment** of metropolitan Phoenix.

We serve the community by providing **affordable and accessible** performances of **choral music** from many traditions, eras and cultures. Our repertoire ranges from classical to pop, patriotic, gospel and Broadway. We have released four CDs, have had multiple TV appearances and premiered new works.

We are proud to be known as "**the choir that cares.**" We share our gifts of music, companionship and goods with the needy, ill and homeless. Our local partners include St. Mary's Food Bank, Lost Our Home, Feed My Starving Children, UMOM shelters, the Banner Alzheimer Institute (BAI), St. Matthew's School, Duet, and local senior living communities.

We perform 3 local concerts per year and have graced the stages of **Kennedy Center** (Washington, DC), **Carnegie Hall** and **Radio City Music Hall** (New Your City, NY), the **Herberger Theater** and **Orpheum Theater** (Phoenix, AZ).

Our first **international tour** was 2016 to Germany, Austria and the Czech Republic. This summer (2019) we are thrilled to perform in England, Scotland and Ireland!

Love to sing? Have you thought about **joining** the NVC? We rehearse most Wednesday evenings and some Sundays at the Phoenix Boys Choir, 1131 E. Missouri Ave, Phoenix. The schedule is at <u>www.northvalleychorale.org</u>. Come and check us out!





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## **Broadway at the Madison**

Madison Center for the Arts 5601 N 16th St, Phoenix, AZ 85016 Saturday, October 5, 2019 TWO SHOWS - 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM

## **Holiday Concert**

Camelback Bible Church 3900 E Stanford Dr, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253 Saturday, December 7, 2019 ONE SHOW ONLY - 3:00 PM

For information, sponsorships, tickets call 623-252-1746 or visit us at www.northvalleychorale.org