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2008-2009 MMEA All-State

Men's Choir

Diane Loomer, conductor
Mixed Choir

André Thomas, conductor
Women's Choir

Vijay Singh, conductor

10:30 AM Saturday, August 9, 2008 Concordia College, Moorhead 10:30 AM Saturday, February 14, 2009 Orchestra Hall

Concert Band

Douglas Nimmo, conductor
Symphonic Band
Gary Hill, conductor

1:30 PM Saturday, August 9, 2008
University of Minnesota, Duluth
2:00 PM Saturday, February 14, 2009
Orchestra Hall

Jazz Ensemble

Robert Washut, conductor

1:30 PM Saturday, August 9, 2008 University of Minnesota, Duluth 11:00 AM Friday, February 13, 2009 Minneapolis Convention Center

Orchestra

Manny Laureano, conductor

1:30 PM Saturday, August 9, 2008
College of Saint Benedict
2:00 PM Saturday, February 14, 2009
Orchestra Hall

Men's Choir

Diane Loomer, Conductor Deb Aulich, Accompanist

Ave, Maris Stella
Choose Something Like a Star
Jing-ga-lye-ya
The Water is Wide
Loch Lomond
Four Strong Winds
Fogarty's Cove
Sarah
Immortal Bach
Rise Again

Diane Loomer (Cypress Publishing)
Randall Thompson/arr. Stephen Smith (ECS Publ.)
Bruce Sled (Cypress Publishing)
Miles Ramsay (Cypress Publishing)
Traditional, arr. Jonathan Quick (Cypress Publishing)
Ian Tyson/arr. Larry Nickel
Stan Rogers/arr. Ron Smail (Cypress Publishing)
Traditional, arr. Jonathan Quick
arr. Knut Nystedt
Leon Dubinsky/arr. Stephen Smith

Diane Loomer, C.M. is internationally recognized as one of Canada's leading musicians; a sought-after conductor and clinician on the international choral scene with engagements taking her to all corners of the world. She is founder and conductor of Chor Leoni Men's Choir and co-founder and co-conductor of Elektra Women's Choir; she has taught on the music faculty at the University of British Columbia. Both her mens and womens choirs have repeatedly won first prizes in national and international competitions. Her choral compositions have been published and recorded internationally, and she frequently appears on CBC national radio as a spokesperson for the classical arts. The first woman to conduct the National Youth Choir of Canada, Diane received the Healey Willan award in 1990 for her service to choral music in British Columbia; in 1994, she was named YWCA's Vancouver's Woman of Distinction of Arts and Culture; and in 1997 and 2004 received Distinguished Alumni Awards honouring her achievements in choral music. In 2002 she



received the Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal for her significant contribution to Canada's culture. Diane has conducted several ACDA State Honour Choirs and has conducted Provincial Youth Choirs and Honour Choirs in every province in Canada. In 2003, Diane was appointed by the University of Victoria to the University Women's Scholar Lecture Series and in 2005 was appointed Conductor Emeritus to Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia. With the help of her husband, Dick, she has established Cypress Choral Music as a thriving source of new Canadian choral music and an encouragement to Canadian choral composers. In recognition of her achievements in and service to music and humanity throughout Canada, Diane was honored to receive in 1999 the country's highest civilian honor, the Order of Canada.

Men's Choir Section Coaches

Brian Ohnsorg Tenor I
Bill Blatzheim Tenor II
Mark Overland Bass I
Jeff Dahl Bass II

2008-2009 All-State Men's Choir

Tenor I

Alec Aspin, Cambridge-Isanti

Chris Banken, Blaine

Wesley Berger, Worthington

Joseph Bigelow, Hastings

Adam Blanshan, Albert Lea

David Duba, Northfield

Raymond Finzel, Morris Area

Franklin Foster, Pine City

Jeff Hatleli, Mankato West

Connor Howe, Chaska

Jared Mitchell, Fulda

Jacob Nelson, Ada-Borup

Garrett Passer, Blue Earth Area

Jim Penning, Northfield

Philip Rossin, Buffalo

Joren Skov, Hastings

Jack Swanson, Stillwater

Dan Will, Bemidji

Tenor II

Thomas Bernardi, Minneapolis Southwest

Eric Best, Hastings

Benjamin Dulak, Red Wing

Patrick DuSchane, Rogers

Sam Engelsgjerd, Sartell

Trey Haugen, Willmar

Benjamin Kampa, Princeton

Nate Klair, Centennial

Philip Knutson, Willman

Geoff Myers, Mounds Park Academy

Erik Nielsen, Duluth East

Gabriel Olson, Rochester Century

Cody Osegard, Rosemount

Keenan O'Shea, East Grand Forks

Eric Radloff, Hutchinson

Crispin Swank, St. Cloud Technical

Isaac Van Bruggen, Irondale

Andrew Weil, Eagan

Bass I

Josh Conroy, Stillwater

Samuel Duberowski, Staples-Motley

William Esch, Stillwater

Brady Gust, Eden Prairie

Nathan Harris, Eden Prairie

Brian Heim, Caledonia

Kyle Hillesheim, St. Francis

Alexander Hoffman, New Ulm

Brady Kamphenkel, Sauk Centre

Jacob Larson, Austin

John McClellan, Lakeville South

Jordan Montgomery, Montevideo

Paul Norell, Sibley East-Arlington

Dominick Ormsby, St. Cloud Technical

Colin Quinn, Red Wing

Dane Scofield, Sauk Rapids-Rice

Giacomo Siciliani, Park Rapids

Jeffrey Zimmerman, Hutchinson

Bass II

Jonathan Fillafer, Princeton

Ben Hillman, Duluth East

Peter Johnson, Detroit Lakes

Eric Karn, Anoka

Josh Lausche, Bagley

Shane LeClaire, White Bear Lake South

Spencer Livdahl, Pelican Rapids

Mathew Miller, Mounds Park Academy

Christopher Mode, Edina

Parker Mullins, Wayzata

Martin Ranweiler, Hastings

Joseph Rinaldi, Owatonna

Casey Smithley, Staples-Motley

Thomas Thorpe, Hopkins

Mark Vandergon, Cannon Falls

Travis Walstrom, Eastview

Jeffrey Werner, Waseca

Morgan Winston, Champlin Park

Mixed Choir

André J. Thomas, Conductor Linda Berger, Accompanist

UBI Caritas
Frohlocket, ihr Völker auf Erden
Mi'kmaq Honour Song
Sing unto God
My Good Lord's Done Been Here
Omnia Sol
Noel

Maurice Duruflé (Hal Leonard)
Felix Mendelssohn (Alliance Music Publications, Inc.)
Lydia Adams (Leslie Music Supply Inc.)
George Frideric Handel (Carl Fischer)
André J. Thomas (Lorenz Company)
Z. Randall Stroope (Lorenz Company)
Todd Smith/arr. Brad Holmes (First Step Publishing)

André J. Thomas, the Owen F. Sellers Professor of Music, is Director of Choral Activities and Professor of Choral Music Education at Florida State University. A previous faculty member at the University of Texas, Austin, Dr. Thomas received his degrees from Friends University (B.A.), Northwestern University (M. M.), and the University of Illinois (D.M.A). He is in demand as a choral adjudicator, clinician, and director of Honor/All-State Choirs throughout the United States, Europe, Asia, New Zealand, and Australia.

Dr. Thomas has conducted choirs at the state, division,and national conventions of the Music Educators National Conference (MENC) and American Choral Directors Association (ACDA). His international



conducting credits are extensive. They include conductor/clinician for the International Federation of Choral Musicians, summer residency of the World Youth Choir in the Republic of China and the Philippines, winter residency of the World Youth Choir in Europe, and a premier performance by an American choir (Florida State University Singers) in Vietnam. He has been the guest conductor of such distinguished orchestras and choirs as the Birmingham Symphony Orchestra in England, and guest Conductor for the Berlin Radio Choir and the Netherlands Radio Choir.

Thomas has also distinguished himself as a composer/arranger. Hinshaw Music Company, Mark Foster Music Company, Fitzsimmon Music Company, Lawson Gould, Earthsongs, and Heritage Music Company publish his compositions and arrangements. Dr. Thomas has produced two instructional videos "What They See Is What You Get" on choral conducting, with Rodney Eichenberger, and "Body, Mind, Spirit, Voice" on adolescent voices, with Anton Armstrong. He has authored a book, "Way Over in Beulah Lan'...Understanding and Performing the Negro Spiritual." He is a past president of the Florida ACDA, and the past president of the Southern Division of ACDA.

Mixed Choir Section Coaches

Sonja Tengblad Soprano Stephanie Trump Alto Mark Potvin Tenor Bret Amundson Bass

2008-2009 All-State Mixed Choir

Soprano I

Tessa Cacek, Anoka
Rebecca Dickinson, Bemidji
Emma Eschweiler, Hopkins
Megan Girgen, Coon Rapids
Molly Hall, Eastview
Elizabeth Hawkinson, Roseville
Amber Joel, Badger
Paige Johnson, Detroit Lakes
Siri Manning, Breckenridge
Nicole Northquest, Litchfield
Clare Sand, Zumbrota-Mazeppa
Laura Seppanen, Centennial

Soprano II

Elizabeth Baxter, Roseville
Marianna Borowski, Minnetonka
Mara Dobervich, Tartan
Chelsea Fitzgerald, Princeton
Candice Jones, Edina
Jena Jorgenson, Red Rock Central
Allison Lamminen, Lakeville North
Michele Lindeman, Coon Rapids
Leslie Olson, Eden Prairie
Anne Richardson, Red Wing
Danielle Schrank, Coon Rapids
Alex Sundlof, Apple Valley

Alto I

Colleen Batty, Hopkins
Hannah Curwin, Duluth Marshall
Sarah Floren, Willmar
Kaylyn Forkey, St. Peter
Karin Hansen, Litchfield
Eleanor Jackson, Robbinsdale Armstrong
Valerie Krych, Champlin Park
Jill Lundeen, Evansville
Meagan Nouis, Little Falls
Sarah Raeker, Coon Rapids
Hanorah Vanni, Eden Prairie
Kelsey Wenner, Detroit Lakes

Alto II Andraya Abrego, Roseville Mary Bissen, Austin Alto II (cont)
Jessica Harder, Shakopee
Lauren Harvey, Minnetonka
Anna Macdonald, Champlin Park
Alanna Mascaro, Maple Grove
Monica Oman, Duluth Central
Rachel Parsley, Fairmont
Katie Schutt, Apple Valley
Callie Turner, Mound-Westonka
Magdelena Unger, Pillager
Katie Ziomek, Holy Family Catholic

Tenor I

Noah Broring, Kasson-Mantorville
Garrett Evenson, Mankato East
Brent Haagenson, Wayzata
Michael Hoffman, Champlin Park
Taylor Isle, Shakopee
Elliott Kvamme, Cambridge-Isanti
Lars Lee, Minneapolis Southwest
Patrick Moran, Eastview
David Morgan, Minnehaha Academy
Sean Schneider, Sauk Centre
Scott Tolzmann, North Branch
Jeremy Winders, Belle Plaine

Tenor II

Timothy Bell, Rosemount
Nathanael Chan, Mounds View
Greggory Giuliani, Duluth Central
Josh Goergen, Waconia
Matthew Hill, Hopkins
Michael Johnson, Wabasha-Kellogg
Matthew Lahti, St. James
David Laing, Centennial
Darren Parker, Robbinsdale Armstrong
Caleb Schmotter, Hastings
Peter Stevens, New Ulm
Jacob Vasquez, Madelia

Bass I

Luke Champa, Detroit Lakes Erik Erlandson, Tartan Javier Ferreira, Eagan Matt Huang, Chaska Bass I (cont)
Joseph Lyon, Northfield
Grant McEachern, St. Michael-Albertville
J. Hunter Otis, Buffalo
Charlie Parrish-Siggelkow, Cannon Falls
Josef Schlemper, Bemidji
Nate Tusa, Willmar
John Wichterman, Robbinsdale Armstrong
Russell Wustenberg, Northfield

Bass II

Jack Barton, Rosemount
Elliot Bell, Rosemount
Luke Bradt, North St. Paul
Cory Engen, Red Rock Central
Ethan Hiedeman, Hastings
Nicholas Hollermann, St. Cloud Cathedral
Taylor Johnson, New Ulm
James Leavell, St. Cloud Cathedral
Garrett Obrycki, Centennial
Patrick Steinbring, Anoka
Joshua Tan, Roseville
Shane Wilson, Owatonna

Women's Choir

Vijay Singh, Conductor Christine Starr, Accompanist

Ave Maria Upon Julia's Voice The Star of Belle Isle I'm Gonna Wait on the Lord Tutto II di Piango Joy* Johannes Brahms (G. Schirmer, Inc.)
Vijay Singh (Alliance Music Publications, Inc.)
Folk Song, arr. Michael Neaum (Alliance Publ.)
Spiritual, arr. Damon Dandridge (Alliance Publ.)
arr. Vijay Singh (National Music Publishers)
Jocelyn Hagen

* This work was co-commissioned as a 2008 special project of MMEA and ACDA of Minnesota.

Vijay Singh is an active performer, composer, teacher, conductor, and clinician residing in Ellensburg, Washington where he is Associate Professor of Music at Central Washington University. A graduate of Willamette University (B. M. Ed/Clarinet & Voice) and Portland State University (Masters in Choral Conducting/Vocal Performance), he has been rapidly gaining international attention for his eclectic musical compositions, performances, workshops, and conducting appearances. Vijay's teaching experiences have included work at public secondary schools, community college, and university levels. He currently teaches voice, choral arranging, jazz pedagogy, directs the University Chorale, Women's Choir, and award-winning CWU Vocal Jazz 1, and oversees the vocal jazz program (3 jazz choirs). Vijay's student ensembles at CWU have been honored as some of the finest in the nation with invitations to perform at



prestigious national IAJE, MENC, and ACDA conventions. As a composer, Vijay writes for all levels in both the classical choral and jazz idioms. His compositions (over 150 currently in print) are widely available from a number of publishers and he often writes on commission for some of North America's finest ensembles.

Vijay served 4 years as National Repertoire and Standards Chair for Jazz Choirs in the American Choral Director's Association and is in demand as a guest conductor of All-State and Honors choirs. He has conducted All-State choirs in over seventeen states and has the distinction of conducting both All-State Concert Choirs and Jazz Choirs within the same year. Vijay has served as adjudicator/jurist at international festivals in Canada, the Netherlands, Germany, and the United States. The recent recipient of an eighth ASCAP Composer's Award, Vijay is also a member of ACDA, MENC, IAJE, ASCAP, and the National Association of Teachers of Singing.

Women's Choir Section Coaches

Michelle Hayes Soprano I
Kathleen Hanson Soprano II
Donna Frederickson Alto I
Charlette Moe Alto II

2008-2009 All-State Women's Choir

Soprano I

Adriana Bates, Wayzata Caley Danielson, Duluth East Tracy Deal, Minnetonka Sarah Gnitka, Spectrum, Elk River Melanie Grangaard, Waconia Grace Habegger, Eastview Hannah Hanssen, Burnsville Jenna Hoge, Wayzata Hannah Johnson, Burnsville Julia Kabes, White Bear Lake North Raeanne Meininger, Grand Rapids Kelsey Mlodozyniec, Duluth Denfeld Jenna Nypan, Staples-Motley Emily Picardi, Andover Megan Poirier, Totino Grace Liv Redpath, Edina Rachel Selvig, St. Michael-Albertville Lauren Shun, St. Anthony Village

Melissa Varpness, Montevideo

Julia Wiersum, Minnetonka

Soprano II

Elizabeth Albers, Montevideo Rachel Cassada, Eastview Emily Cline, Browerville Rachel Dahlen, Northfield Robin Ekholm, Annandale Courtney Groves, Coon Rapids Katie Hahn, Totino Grace Jennifer Johnson, Bemidji Nicole Kor, Marshall Rene Kowlessar, Rosemount Bethany Lindhorst, Litchfield Leah Lumley, Austin Kara Matthias, Rochester Century Melinda Mattsen, Apple Valley Karena Nguyen, Totino Grace Laura Pancoast, Lincoln Melani Schwartz, Robbinsdale Armstrong Christine Unger, Montevideo Brianna Velzke, Owatonna

Megan Welle, St. Cloud Cathedral

Alto I

Emily Blease, Blake School Julie Bode, New Ulm Amanda Burgdorf, Buffalo Maire Clement, Apple Valley Flannery Cunningham, St. Cloud Technical Alexandra Drube, Lakeville North Haylee Elvendahl, Cambridge-Isanti Muriel Grubb, Stillwater Hannah Johnston, Maple Grove Melanie Josselyn, Zumbrota-Mazeppa Annika Kildegaard, Morris Danielle Labine, Detroit Lakes Emily Lawrence, North St. Paul Martha Lundin, Northfield Leeja Miller, Mound-Westonka Nikki Lee Nolden, Bemidji Mikaela Pierson, Albert Lea Hattie Russell, Fergus Falls Carolyn Schmitz, United South Central Lauren Skarloken, Crosby-Ironton Samantha Wilson, Como Park

Alto II

Shivani Bhatt, Wayzata Megan Brass, Mahtomedi Bridget Deutz, Marshall Katherine Good, Anoka Kelli Hanson, Albert Lea Katherine Hildebrand, Totino Grace Kristina Larson, Red Rock Central Erika Lemire, Centennial Melissa McIntosh, Eden Prairie Megan McKeown, Eastview Joleen Mortensen, Greenway Sarah Muskovitz, Duluth East Madeline Pertler, Cloquet Micaella Petrich, Rosemount Miranda Ricci, Bemidji Maci Rogers, Becker Abigail Smith, Montevideo Megan Stevens, Montevideo Sandy Vang, Coon Rapids