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Ensemble Concert | Tuesday, March 3, 2026 | 7:30 p.m.  
Margot and Bill Winspear Hall - Murchison Performing Arts Center

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**A Cappella Choir**

**Allen Hightower, conductor**

**Dong Hyun Kang, associate conductor**

**Yaxuan Li, piano**

Southwestern ACDA Preview Concert

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from Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied,  
BWV 225 (1726–1727) .....Johann Sebastian Bach  
1. Singet dem Herrn (1685–1750)

from Zwei Motetten, Warum ist das Licht  
gegeben dem Mühseligen? Op. 74 No. 1 (1877) ..... Johannes Brahms  
1. Warum (1833–1897)

Grace Before Sleep (2011) .....Susan LaBarr  
(b. 1981)

Gloria (1990) .....Randol Alan Bass  
(b. 1953)

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**Program three hundred thirty-nine of the 2025–2026 season**  
**Photography and videography are prohibited**

## Texts and Translations

### Singet dem Herrn

*Text from Psalm 149:1-3*

Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied,  
die Gemeinde der Heiligen  
sollen ihn loben.

Israel freue sich des,  
der ihn gemacht hat.

Die Kinder Zion  
sei'n fröhlich über ihrem Könige,  
sie sollen loben  
seinen Namen im Reihem;  
mit Pauken und mit Harfen  
sollen sie ihm spielen.

Sing to the Lord a new song,  
the assembly of saints  
shall praise him.

Let Israel rejoice in him  
who made her.

Let the children of Zion  
be glad in their king,  
they shall praise  
his name in the dance;  
with timbrel and with harps  
they shall play for him.

### Warum

*Text from Job 3:20-23*

Warum ist das Licht  
gegeben dem Mühseligen,  
Und das Leben  
den betrübten Herzen? Warum?  
Die des Todes warten  
und kommt nicht  
Und grüben ihn wohl  
aus dem Verborgenen;  
Die sich fast freuen  
und sind fröhlich,  
daß sie das  
Grab bekommen. Warum?  
Und dem Manne  
des Weg verborgen ist,  
Und Gott vor ihm  
denselben bedeckt?  
Warum?

Why has light  
been given to the weary of soul,  
And life  
to the troubled hearts? Why?  
They who wait for death,  
and it doesn't come;  
They who dig for it  
even out of secret places;  
Those who almost rejoice  
and are happy  
That they achieve  
the grave. Why?  
And to the man  
whose way is hidden,  
And from whom God himself  
has been concealed?  
Why?

## Grace Before Sleep

*Text by Sara Teasdale (1884-1933)*

How can our minds and bodies be  
Grateful enough that we have spent  
Here in this generous room, we three,  
This evening of content?  
Each, one of us has walked through storm  
And fled the wolves along the road;  
But here the hearth is wide and warm,  
And for this shelter and this light  
Accept, O Lord, our thanks tonight.

## Gloria

*Text from the Greater Doxology*

Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Et in terra pax hominibus  
bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.  
Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi propter  
magnam gloriam tuam.  
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.  
Domine Fili unigenite,  
Jesu Christe.  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad  
dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.  
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus.  
Tu solus Dominus.  
Tu solus Altissimus,  
Jesu Christe.  
Cum Sancto Spiritu,  
in gloria Dei Patris.  
Amen.

Glory to God in the highest.  
And on earth peace  
to all of good will.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee,  
We adore Thee, we glorify Thee.  
We give Thee thanks  
for Thy great glory.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
God the Father Almighty,  
Lord, the only-begotten Son,  
Jesus Christ;  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
Thou who takest away the sins  
of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou who takest away the sins  
of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou who sittest at  
the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.  
For Thou alone art holy;  
Thou alone art the Lord;  
Thou alone art the most high,  
Jesus Christ.  
With the Holy Ghost,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## A Capella Choir Personnel

### Soprano

Lauren Abell  
Mattison Beezley  
Julianna Carden  
Victoria Cerda  
Rachel  
Cunningham  
Emma Davis  
Kayla Flores  
Andrea Gomez  
Emma Gulovsen  
Isabella Hassell  
Sandy  
Strittmatter  
Alex Vale  
Maryn West  
Melissa Young

### Alto

Hope Arrazola  
Abi Bahng  
Jennifer Barnett  
Carolyn Childrey  
Nadia Cloud  
Daniele  
De Oliveira  
Isa Jovanovic  
Ris Kemp  
Bowie Savoie  
Margi Skinner  
Naomi Warren

### Tenor

Piero Centurion  
Mason Clarkson  
Dong  
Hyun Kang  
Robby Napoli  
Will Parris  
Rudy Polk  
Andrew Riedel  
CJ Stanley  
Ramero Vargas  
Rustin Verret  
Tyler Warwas

### Bass

Ben Bassett  
Landon Beaty  
Colin Busch-  
Kennedy  
Isaac Carlin  
Matt Carlson  
Ely Eckles  
Matt Glass  
Christopher Gray  
Jaden Jackson-  
Cooper  
Joshua LaPrade  
Zachary Ligh  
Eric Martinez  
Bryan Perez  
Colman  
Scheibmeir  
Noah Wyckoff