

Christian Brothers High School Presents  
**EMMANUEL**  
A Choral Christmas Celebration

**Sat., Dec. 13, 2014**  
**2:00 pm & 7:00 pm**

George Cunningham '40  
Performing Arts Center

Christian Brothers High School  
4315 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Sacramento, CA 95820

Directed by Dr. Anthony M. Lien & Gaw Williams

and a bit of  
**SANTA FUN**





# Concert Program

## A Journey of Longing and Hope

Diego Black, narrator

- HONORS **Emmanuel** ..... Plainchant, arr. Anthony M. Lien  
*Marci Bandala, soprano soloist; Maddy Mason & Katie Vrame, handbells*
- WOMEN'S **Ave Maria** ..... Ellen M. Keating, O.P.  
*Athena Carrillo, dancer*
- WOMEN'S **Come Rejoice, Believers** ..... Dietrich Buxtehude, arr. Hal H. Hopson

## Birth of the Emmanuel

Hannah Palmer, narrator

- MEN'S **Medieval Gloria** ..... Vijay Singh  
*David Santiago, percussion*
- HONORS **A Virgin Unspotted** ..... William Billings
- CHAMBER **In the Bleak Midwinter** ..... Gustav Holst, arr. Laura Farnell
- CHAMBER **Oh, I Will Praise the Lord** ..... Georg Philipp Telemann, arr. Michael Burkhardt
- MEN'S **Softly, Sweetly** ..... Jill Gallina  
*Samuel Macias, soloist*
- MEN'S **Sing for Joy** ..... George Frederic Handel, arr. Linda Steen Spevacek
- CONCERT **Bethlehem Lullaby** ..... Greg Gilpin  
*Kristen Geibel, soprano soloist; Logan Tipton, tenor soloist*
- CONCERT **Jesus, O What a Wonderful Child** ..... Spiritual, arr. Mark Hayes  
*Alex Cerezo, Gordon Pershall, L.J. Johnson, Lexi MacDonald, & Marcie Cuomo, soloists*
- VOCAL JAZZ **The First Noel** ..... French Carol, arr. for Glee
- HONORS **Noel, Sing Noel** ..... French Carol, arr. Audrey Snyder
- HONORS **Riu, Riu, Chiu** ..... Spanish Carol, ed. Noah Greenberg  
*Noah Wadhvani, Maddy Mason, & John Jedrzynski, soloists*

## Scenes of Christmas Present

Simone Soublet, narrator

- WOMEN'S **Little Saint Nick** ..... Brian Wilson & Mike Love, arr. Mark Brymer
- 2013 MEN'S **Grandma Got Run Over By a Reindeer** ..... Randy Brooks, arr. Ronald Slabbinck
- CHAMBER **Santa Baby** ..... Joan Javits, Phil Springer, & Tony Springer, arr. Mac Huff  
2:00: *Mariel Dozier, Tori Davis, Sofia Graham, Kara Romani, Andrea Gonzalez & Abigail Fitzpatrick*  
7:00: *Morgan McKibben, Christina Reynolds, Sofia Graham, Katrina Culp, Andrea Gonzalez & Abigail Fitzpatrick*
- VOCAL JAZZ **Lua Soberana** ..... Ivan Lins & Vortor Martins; arr. Kerry Marsh  
Introduction to "Let it Be" ..... *Gordon Pershall*
- CONCERT **Let it Be** ..... Paul McCartney, arr. Lien

## Peace on Earth & Glory to God

- AUDIENCE **Night of Silence / Silent Night** ..... Daniel Kantor / Franz Gruber



## Translations

### Ave Maria (Latin)

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

### Medieval Gloria (Latin)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all people of goodwill. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you. We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God.

### Riu, Riu, Chiu (Spanish)

Guard our homes in safety. God has protected our Lamb and our Lady from the black wolf.

Raging mad to bite her, there the wolf did steal, but our God, almighty, defended her with zeal. Pure he wished to keep her so she could never sin; the sin of man was never known by this virgin.

## Acknowledgments

Numerous people have helped to make the choral program at Christian Brothers successful. We offer our heartfelt gratitude to the following:

**Heather Razo**, our piano accompanist

**Heather Christianson**, CB Theater Manager whose expertise made the staging and lighting at this concert possible

**Ron & Holly Slabbinck**, who inspire me and continue to help me find my bearings at CB

**Christian Brothers' Administration & Staff**, who truly know the value of an arts education

**Friends of the Arts** who provide incredible and indispensable support for the arts at CB

**Joyce Copelan** who spent several hours polishing and repairing our handbells

The many parents who have who have given their time and assistance to our choral program this year. While there are too many to list them all, we would like to specifically thank **Mary Rhea Breen**, **MaryLou Carrillo**, and **Kathleen Fitzpatrick** who have given numerous hours in a variety of capacities.

### Lua Soberana (Portuguese)

That sovereign moon on the waters of Yemanja in this sea of white rose came from Madagascar.

That sovereign moon on the waters of Yemanja in this sea of white rose.

That moon came to Salvador dragged by a fisherman.

## Women's Chorus

Grace Bunting \*  
Athena Carrillo +  
Julianne Downing \*  
Kathy Eke  
Ali Emerson  
Violet Gabales  
Emelina Gutierrez  
Julia Ha  
Ashley Kim ◊  
Sofia Linares  
Emma Mathison  
Cassidy McCallum  
Caroline McIntire  
Audrey Morehead  
Marliss Neal \*  
Isabel Nguyen  
Mia Nieves  
Kendall Ralph  
Esperanza Razo +  
Elizabeth Sperring +  
Eliana Vargas  
Preston Winters  
Alice Wong +

## Chamber Chorus

Anna Abramova \*  
Katelyn Bates \*  
Katrina Culp  
Tori Davis  
McKenna Decker  
Mariel Dozier \*  
Abigail Fitzpatrick  
Andrea Gonzalez  
Sophia Graham  
Remi Kirrene  
Morgan McKibben ◊  
Christina Reynolds  
Kara Romani  
Simone Soublet  
Emma Tillman

## Men's Chorus

JuanRene Aguirre  
Diego Black  
Samuel Macias +  
Christian Placet  
Enrique Quezada  
David E. Santiago  
Stephen A. Smith

## Honors Chorale

Henry Agnew  
Juan Alba +  
Bella Bagatelos  
Marci Bandala +  
Will Braaten  
Michael Castaneda +  
Dave Del Rosario  
Joe Delgadillo  
Katie Hallsten ◊  
John Jedrzynski +  
Jessica Kever  
Jerett Kirrene \*  
Eden Kolb  
Maddy Mason +  
Dante Mazza  
Nick McHale  
Elizabeth Moorhead  
Joseph Nazareno  
Audrey Nelson  
Hannah Palmer \*  
Erika Robles  
Mindy Roces  
Sydney Rodriguez +  
Jennifer Rustad  
Ritam Sarmah \*  
Emily Taylor  
Monica Thayer +  
Maura Tomassetti \*+  
Howard Turley +  
Katie Vrame  
Noah Wadhvani  
Natalie Wiseman +  
Adam Wong

## Concert Choir

Beata Aks  
Justin Baker \*  
Meagan Barnes  
Jizelle Castaneda  
Alexandria Cerezo \*  
Marcela Cuomo  
Kathleen Donovan  
Nathanael Filip \*  
Matt Franzoia

## Performers

### Concert Choir (cont.)

Kristen Geibel \*  
Jaela Harding  
Luke Harris  
Angie Jimenez  
L.J. Johnson ◊  
Victoria Linares  
Lexi MacDonald  
Brendan MacMillan  
Anthony Macy  
Aidan Maher  
Kiernan Maher  
Morgan McKibben  
Julius Pekari  
Gordon Pershall  
Amanda Sandoval  
Christa Singer  
Logan Tipton  
Sean Traina  
Chase Yancey

### Vocal Jazz

Juan Alba  
Marci Bandala  
Michael Castaneda  
Dave Del Rosario  
Andrea Gonzalez  
Jerett Kirrene  
Eden Kolb  
Audrey Morehead  
Joe Nazareno  
Sydney Rodriguez  
Jennifer Rustad  
Monica Thayer  
Maura Tomassetti  
Howard Turley

### 2013 Men's Chorus

Juan Alba  
Patrick Barnes  
Dave Del Rosario  
Luke Harris  
Brendan MacMillan  
Kenji Matsuno  
Nick McHale  
Joseph Nazareno  
Christian Placet  
Sean Traina  
Noah Wadhvani

### Santa Claus

Samuel Macias

### Piano Accompanist

Heather Razo

\* Section Leader

+ Cantor

◊ Social Chair



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Christopher M. Johnson & Jenny E. Memmott, *Journal of Research in Music Education*, 2006.

## **DEDICATION**

We are pleased to present these concerts in Honor and in Memory of our dear friend and brother, **Spencer Pershall**, with whom we shared so many cherished memories. We love and miss you, Spencer. You will be in our hearts forever.



*"A person cannot spread love without doing what makes them happy, and a person cannot be happy unless they spread love."*

- Spencer Pershall



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