

CELEBRATING

20 YEARS

# *The Annual Holiday Festival of Choirs*

The Western Illinois University  
Singers  
Madrigal Singers  
Concert Choir

With special guests  
Hoffman Estates High School Choir  
Macomb High School Choir  
De Soto High School Choir  
St. Louis Community College Choir  
Holiday Festival Children's Honor Choir



WESTERN  
ILLINOIS  
UNIVERSITY

St. Paul Catholic Church  
309 W. Jackson, Macomb  
Saturday, December 7, 2013  
2:00PM and 7:30PM

## PROGRAM

Dona Nobis Pacem

Traditional

Holiday Festival Choir  
Dr. James Stegall, conductor

Ave Maria  
The Infant King  
A Shepherd's Carol  
Oculus non vidit

Morten Lauridsen  
arr. David Willcocks  
Bob Chilcott  
Rihards Dubra

Western Illinois University Singers and Madrigal Singers  
Dr. James Stegall, conductor

*O Christmas Tree*

*Audience Sing Along*

*Please Stand / Words at back of program*

The Holly and the Ivy  
Stani Nine Gospodine

arr. Ron Jeffers  
Adela Peeva

St. Louis Community College Meramec Chamber Singers  
Dr. Jerry Myers, conductor

O magnum mysterium  
Rise Up, Shepherd and Follow

Tomás Luis de Victoria  
André Thomas

Hoffman Estates High School Concert Choir  
Matthew Schlesinger, conductor

*Joy to the World*

*Audience Sing Along*

*Please Stand*

Sleigh Ride  
It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year  
Carol to the King

Mitchell Parish  
arr. Hawley Ades  
arr. Mack Wilberg

Kaitlin Gimm, Jami Hockensmith, Samuel McDowell, percussion  
YunHee Kim, piano

Western Illinois University Concert Choir  
Dr. Heather Zosel, conductor  
Hyerin Tark, piano

*Deck the Hall*

*Audience Sing Along*

*Please Stand*

## PROGRAM

A Holly Jolly Christmas  
Three Jazzy Bell Carols

Arr. Deke Sharon  
Arr. Jay Rouse

Macomb High School Madrigal Singers and Concert Choir  
Melanie Butcher, conductor

*Jingle Bells*

*Please Stand*

*Audience Sing Along*

Narodil se Kristus Pan  
Three Mennonite Christmas Hymns  
1. Song of the Angel  
2. Song of the Virgin

Alois Vlk  
arr. Alice Parker

De Soto High School Choir  
Aaron Young, conductor

In Our Town in December  
Gonna Catch That Santa

Nancy Oliver  
Andy Beck

Holiday Festival Children's Honor Choir  
Dr. Heather Zosel, conductor  
Ethan Ivey, piano

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

*Audience Sing Along*

*Please Stand*

The Ground

Ola Gjeilo

Nicholas Emory, viola; Samantha Flores, cello; Milagros Gallardo, viola;  
Luciana Hontila, violin; Ion-Alexandru Malaimare, violin; Max Pessoa, violin;  
Elias Roth, cello; Joseph Valdes, violin

The Holiday Festival Choir  
Dr. James Stegall, conductor  
Dr. Minjung Seo, piano

Hallelujah Chorus from *Messiah*

George Frideric Handel

The Holiday Festival Choir and Audience  
Dr. James Stegall, conductor  
Gayle Cooper, organ

**UNIVERSITY SINGERS**  
Dr. James Stegall, conductor

**SOPRANO**

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Lauren Bender       | Plainfield        |
| Katie Caldwell      | Yorkville         |
| Mariah Chapdelaine  | Rock Island       |
| Melanie Huettman*   | Davenport, IA     |
| Alison Huntley*     | New Lenox         |
| Courtney Johnson    | Woodstock         |
| Lydia Lewis*        | Macomb            |
| Jaquelyn Marec*     | Plainfield        |
| Elizabeth Peregrine | DeKalb            |
| Amanda Plumb        | Macomb            |
| Kayla Steil         | Freeport          |
| Julie Winter        | Arlington Heights |

**ALTO**

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Laura Bremmer*   | Greencastle, PA |
| Alisabeth Cannon | Roodhouse       |
| Cassidy Depoy    | Macomb          |
| Jazmine Hamilton | Plainfield      |
| Samantha Heaton* | Geneseo         |
| Molly Lambert    | Maple Park      |
| Abigail Landau*  | Franklin, TN    |
| Jessica Moore*   | Lockport        |
| Hannah Porter    | Macomb          |
| Carolee Stark    | Macomb          |

**TENOR**

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Tyler Hast*       | Silvis           |
| Thomas Heise*     | Sandwich         |
| Joshua Keck       | Macomb           |
| Christian Kennedy | Mount Sterling   |
| Jordan Mance      | Wheaton          |
| Arturo Martinez   | Homer Glen       |
| Eric Mohlis*      | Independence, IA |
| Jack Scherer*     | Geneseo          |
| Brandt Zimmermann | Kewanee          |

**BASS**

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| James Christian Jr. | Davenport, IA  |
| José Clavell*       | Ponce, PR      |
| Jordan DePatis*     | Petersburg     |
| Jack Dessent*       | Deerfield      |
| James Flaherty*     | Burlington, IA |
| Thaddius Goldner    | Sherrard       |
| Hakeem Howard       | Plainfield     |
| Ethan Ivey†         | Plainfield     |
| Malcolm O'Donnell   | Macomb         |
| Benjamin Rogers     | Savanna        |
| Nathaniel Stewart   | Homewood       |

**Choral Graduate Assistants**

José Clavell  
Ethan Ivey  
Eric Mohlis

\* Madrigal Singers also

† Madrigal Singers Assistant Conductor

# CONCERT CHOIR

Dr. Heather Zosel, conductor

## SOPRANO

|                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Jamie Adair          | Knox City, MO    |
| Rebecca Allen        | Jerseyville      |
| Sarah Anderson       | Quincy           |
| Rebeka Barker        | Havana           |
| Kimberly Blakley     | Chicago          |
| Hannah Blum          | Paxton           |
| Isidra Borjas        | Fort Madison, IA |
| Jenny Boualavong     | Quincy           |
| Alyssa Burno         | Lake Villa       |
| Katie Caldwell       | Yorkville        |
| Ashton Driscoll      | Coal Valley      |
| Jillian Escobar      | Hanover Park     |
| Rebecca Gonner       | Debuque, IA      |
| Jona Hall            | Peoria           |
| Ajia Harris          | Chicago          |
| Kaselyn Hart         | Elmwood          |
| Ashley Hill          | Minooka          |
| Mia Iliopoulos       | Kildeer          |
| Mariah Maiman        | Byron            |
| Aurea Malave         | Chicago          |
| Dallas Milholland    | Covington, WA    |
| Guisseppina Ocello   | Belvidere        |
| Caitlin Pennington   | Kirksville, MO   |
| Sophie Peterson      | Oquawka          |
| Amanda Plumb         | Macomb           |
| Imani Ramey          | Chircago         |
| Arja Rasutis         | Brookfield       |
| Aleksandra Redlinska | Franklin Park    |
| Cassady Rosenbrock   | Grant Park       |
| Danielle Schmitz     | Kankakee         |
| Allison Smith        | Farmington       |
| Jordan Spaciel       | Waterford, WI    |
| Amanda Terry         | Riverton         |
| Cairlin Wallace      | Sugar Grove      |
| Jenna Whitaker       | Macomb           |
| Madeline Zehnal      | Aurora           |

## ALTO

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Hannah Becker     | Bartonville        |
| Christina Beisel  | Darwstadt, Germany |
| Lauren Bender     | Plainfield         |
| Micaela Bratland  | Romeoville         |
| Claire Distler    | O' Fallon          |
| Maureen Doran     | Odell              |
| Bethany Esterlen  | Collinsville       |
| Summer Goodwin    | Montgomery         |
| Shelby Grazulis   | Schaumburg         |
| Mikayla Hahnfield | Shaumburg          |
| Arianna Hayden    | Bradley            |
| Kelsey Helms      | Naperville         |
| Kara Kwak         | Hickory Hills      |
| Cassie Lipcaman   | Mt. Sterling       |
| Karleigh Moon     | Kewanee            |
| Gizelle Moore     | Chicago            |
| Elizabeth Saban   | Downers Grove      |
| Katie Scimeca     | Woodstock          |
| Victoria Zamora   | Metamora           |
| Ziqi Zhou         | Qingdao, Shandao   |

## TENOR

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Marcial Anthony   | Hopkins Park      |
| Zach Friant       | Minooka           |
| Jacob Hagen       | Darien            |
| Christian Kennedy | Mount Sterling    |
| Marcos Mercado    | Elk Grove Village |
| Matthew Nall      | Camp Point        |
| Gregory Newell    | Macomb            |
| Patrick Oliver    | Elmhurst          |
| Clement Serrano   | Carlinville       |

## BASS

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Marius Anthony    | Hopkins Park   |
| Johnnie Campbell  | Dolton         |
| Hakeem Howard     | Plainfield     |
| Eric Merris       | Quincy         |
| Ben Snart         | Coal Valley    |
| Aaron Stevens     | Burlington, IA |
| Nathaniel Stewart | Homewood       |

## MACOMB HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT CHOIR

Melanie Butcher, conductor

### SOPRANO

Sydney Bell\*  
Mallory Burg  
Brianna Drew\*  
Meagan Drew  
April Furr  
Julianna Kessler\*  
Natalie Kirwan\*  
Lauren Knicl\*  
Alyssa Lester  
Claudia Ngati  
Emma Ngati  
Rachel Olsen  
Elizabeth Rabchuk\*  
Megan Riley  
Christiana Rivera  
Jenna Wilson  
Jessica Thurman\*

### ALTO

Samantha Adams  
Alyssa Bear  
Breanna Bosshart  
Bree Bracey  
Jessica Brandt  
Elizabeth Briney\*  
Patrice Conner

### ALTO, CONTINUED

Maddie Dace  
Kesi Fields  
Rachel Freesmeyer  
Kassi Groff  
Hailea Hadsall\*  
Francesca Hamm  
Rome Hamm\*  
Alexis Haney  
Taylor Heath  
Natalie Kenny  
Mia Lambert  
Audrey Meixner  
Karla Mendoza  
Courtney Neavear  
Brianna Petty  
Priscilla Porter  
Grace Shryack  
Allison Torrance  
Abbie Weaver  
Makayla Wesley  
Natalie Workman  
Madison Wright

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\* Madrigal Singers also

† Only Madrigal Singers

### TENOR

Daniel Bartlett\*  
Nathan Bennett\*  
Grant Depoy\*  
Evan Drew†  
William Hughes  
Nicolas Johnson  
Andrew McGowan  
Mike Nicholas

### BASS

Evan Baker†  
Grant Brown  
Collin Burns\*  
Benjamin Clemmens  
Nicholas Crowley  
Sydney Dodds\*  
Tom Engel  
Jordan Fansler  
William Inman\*  
Bruce Johnson  
Devon Johnson  
Vince Mahr  
Grant Reed  
Cody Sikes  
Jacob Smith  
Nathan Swanson

## DE SOTO HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR

Aaron Young, conductor

### SOPRANO

Jessica Dean  
Allison Krodinger  
Bethany Sherrow  
Megan Storie  
Becca Westhoff

### ALTO

Megan Copeland  
Gabby Kamp  
Alex Mason  
Kelcie Moravec  
Rachel Schaeffer

### TENOR

Tyler Bryant  
Matt Ing  
Jordan Kite  
Nolan Luhm

### BASS

Brenden Davidson  
Seth Harris  
TJ Pyatt  
Phil Street

## THE MERAMEC CHAMBER SINGERS

Dr. Jerry Myers, conductor

### SOPRANO

DeOnna Cortez  
Katie Robinson  
Larissa Rivera  
Dawn Levinson  
Brianna Tomlinson

### ALTO

Sammi Constantine  
Megan Eplin  
Kathryn Fish  
Abby Lampe  
Carlisa Rivera

### TENOR

Robert Ballman  
Corey Chaney  
Oliver Dowden  
Sam Revilla  
Matt Schulze

### BASS

Hayden Bennett  
Mason Brown  
Kevin Dahl  
Nick Holman  
Chris Reyes

## HOFFMAN ESTATES HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR

Matthew Schlesinger, conductor

### SOPRANO

Alexzandria Baez  
Marissa Banker  
Pamela Bejarano  
Tayler Bellows  
Camille Dela Cruz  
Alessandra Sisto  
Dawn Tonkinson  
Abby Winters  
Natalie Wnek

### ALTO

Kendra Alexander  
Dashea Brock  
Elaine Carmosino  
Deonna Coakley  
Parish Gray  
Marisa Heitkotter  
Sylvia Huerta  
Kailee Keyser  
Palak Patel

### TENOR

Darshan Bhatt  
Steven Camiliere  
Alex Garibay  
Steven Henigan  
Ian Joseph  
Samuel Martin  
Sho Otsuka

### BASS

Justin Yaggi  
Joseph Vargas  
Diego Mullany  
Elijah Leung  
Thomas Magliano  
Daniel Green  
Dhruv Gajjar

## THE HOLIDAY FESTIVAL CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Dr. Heather Zosel, conductor

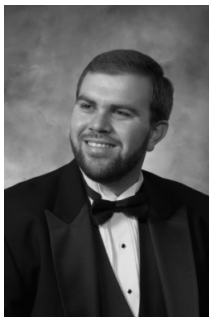
### PART 1

Sally Anderson  
Marjorie Baker  
Emily Bennett  
Carter Benson  
Rachel Blaylock  
Grace Branch  
Trinity Campbell  
Emily Cole  
Sasha Grigortsuk  
Emily Johnson  
Elyese Jones  
Emily Jordan  
Rachael Langworthy  
Timeyah McEwen  
Jacelyn McIlheny  
Cherish Mounia  
Annie Powell  
Hannah Robinson  
Maya Sadler Stovall  
Eli Sperry  
Emma Thomas  
Maddie Thurman  
Breanna Tuter  
Claire Vigezzi  
Bennett Walker  
Brooks Wallace  
Madeline Weiss  
Margot Wester  
Sophie White

### PART 2

Helen Blome  
Jocelyn Buchanan  
Liliana Buchanan  
Brianna Cangro  
Rebekah Eckman  
Addison Fowler  
Rory Harting  
Annabel Herbert  
Gracie Jones  
Leah Jorgensen  
Bryce Lester  
Madeline MacGregor  
Willow McIlvaine-Newsad  
Russell Newell  
Madison Overstreet  
Isabel Sperry  
Evan Stegall  
Max Swedeem  
Laine Torrance  
Reann Tuter  
Anne-Catherine Vana





A review by John von Rhein in the *Chicago Tribune* states that “Matthew Schlesinger wielded the ideal Monteverdi tenor: light, clear, technically solid and musically accomplished.” **Matthew Schlesinger** holds a Bachelors of Arts degree in Music Education from Western Illinois University, and a Masters in Music Education from Vandercook College of Music. He is proud to be in his sixth year as the Choral Director at Hoffman Estates High School, and is formerly the Choral Director at Plainfield High School, Central Campus. Matthew also continues to perform around the Chicago area with groups such as the Chicago Symphony Chorus (where he is currently the Tenor 1 Section Leader, has served as AGMA Delegate, and has had the opportunity to solo with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra in Berlioz’s *Romeo and Juliet* and have to cover the role of Cassio in Verdi’s *Otello* and the Tenor Solos in Britten’s *War Requiem*), the Oriana Singers, Opera Potpourri and the Grant Park Symphony Chorus (where he currently serves as an AGMA representative). Even with all of these experiences, his greatest joy in life is spending time with his wife Melissa and his two daughters, Emily and Elyse.

Over the past five decades, the Hoffman Estates High School Concert Choir has established a tradition of excellence known throughout the community. The mission of the organization is to produce quality performances in a nurturing and cooperative atmosphere. The ultimate goal is to help each other to: enjoy positive and successful experiences at all ability levels, develop the skills necessary to become lifelong musicians, sing with a natural, free, and vibrant tone, appreciate a variety of musical styles and genres, perform in an entertaining and communicative manner, set the standard of excellence in behavior and performance, and create memories that will be



**Aaron Young** started teaching for the De Soto public school district in 2004. At De Soto he has taught at the junior high school for seven years, was associate director of the high school choirs for four years, and at the start of the 2011 school year he became the Director of Choirs at De Soto High School. His high school and junior high school choirs have performed well at state organizational contests, and have enjoyed many successful performances while on tour to many out-of-state competitions. In May of 2012, his high school Concert Choir, took first place in their division and won the *Esprit de Corps* award at the Music in the Parks competition held at Dollywood in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Most recently, in May of 2013, his high school Concert Choir competed at the Music in the Parks competition held at King’s Island in Mason, Ohio, and received a superior rating. Before beginning his teaching career he received his Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Quincy University, and his Master of Arts degree in Conducting from Western Illinois University. His professional affiliations include NAFME, MMEA, MCDA, and ACDA.

Outside of his professional interests he enjoys running, and coaching cross country, basketball, and baseball. He also enjoys spending time with his beautiful wife Jamie, and two children (with a third on the way in February); Nolan and Aila.





**Melanie Butcher** is in her ninth year as the director of choirs at Macomb High School. At MHS, she conducts five choirs: Mixed Chorus, Concert Choir, Madrigal Singers, Men's Ensemble, and Jazz Voices. Mrs. Butcher also conducts the 7th grade choir, 8th grade choir and the MJH Swing Choir at the Macomb Junior High School. Each year, her students participate in IGSMA and IHSA Solo and Ensemble Contest and Organization Contest receiving superior ratings. Mrs. Butcher received a B.A. degree in Music Education and a M.A. degree in Choral Conducting from Western Illinois University. Mrs. Butcher resides in Macomb with her husband, Joe, and their two sons, Nick (9 years old) and Andy (6 years old). She is

a member of ACDA and MENC.



**Jerry Myers** is the Director of Choral Activities and Associate Professor at St. Louis Community College – Meramec where he serves also as Coordinator of Music. He was on the choral faculty for ten years at Washington and Lee University in Virginia, on the voice faculty of Southern Virginia University and conducted the Eurydice Orchestra of Roanoke. He holds a Bachelor of Music from Illinois State University, a Master of Arts in Music from Western Illinois University and the Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Conducting from UNC – Greensboro.

The Meramec Chamber Singers was founded by Dr. Myers in 2009 shortly after his arrival at STLCC-Meramec. The ensemble is selected by audition from the membership of the Concert Choir. The Chamber Singers, along with the Voices of Magic, serve as ambassadors for the College and often perform on campus and throughout the community.

Dr. Myers' ensembles have premiered works with various artists including the Paul Winter Consort, John McCutcheon, Orchid Ensemble, and Barbara Higbie. In 2014, the Concert Choir will perform Duruflé's Requiem with the St. Louis Philharmonic.

Dr. Myers was twice the recipient of the Phi Theta Kappa Glauk Mentor Award and he has been recognized by the STLCC Board of Trustees on multiple occasions for his ensemble's accomplishments. He is a sought-after adjudicator, lecturer and clinician. His presentation Avoiding Destructive Interference: Maximizing the Choral Sound was featured at the ACDA Voices United Convention in Washington, D.C and the MCDA Conference. He led 2-Year College Repertoire Reading Sessions at ACDA Conferences in his capacity as Repertoire and Standards Chair for 2-Year Colleges for the Southwestern Division.

He and his wife Laura, a WIU Music Therapy graduate, have two daughters, Ella and Leanna. In addition to his conducting, he is a certified pet therapist and hospice volunteer with "Freckles".



**Heather Zosel** is Assistant Professor of Choral Music Education at Western Illinois University, where she directs the Concert Choir and Jazz Choir, and teaches Choral Methods, Conducting and Vocal Techniques. Dr. Zosel also supervises student teachers, directs the WIU Madrigal Dinner, and advises the Sigma Alpha Iota chapter. She has been invited to direct and adjudicate festivals throughout the state of Illinois, as well as in Iowa, Arizona, and Washington State.

Dr. Zosel holds a DMA in choral conducting from the University of Arizona where she studied under Bruce Chamberlain and Elizabeth Schauer. While at the UA, Dr. Zosel was Assistant Director of the University Community Chorus (UCC), and served as collegiate president of the American Choral Directors Association. Through her work with the UCC, she was awarded the Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant for the College of Fine Arts in 2011. She received both her MA in choral conducting and BM in music education from Washington State University, where she studied with Lori Wiest, and received the prestigious Presser Award for outstanding scholarship and musical ability. Dr. Zosel's dissertation research focuses on the a-cappella music of Herbert Howells.

Before receiving her doctorate, Dr. Zosel was Director of Choirs and Bands at Oroville High School, and conductor of the Okanogan Valley Orchestra Chorus, both in Washington State. She is active in choirs and musical theatre, and has served as chorus master, vocal coach and accompanist for several production companies in Washington State. Dr. Zosel is a member of the American Choral Director's Association and the National Association for Music Educators.



**James Stegall**, Professor of Music, is the 2013 Distinguished Faculty Lecturer at Western Illinois University. In addition to his role as Director of Choral Activities, he conducts the Western Illinois University Singers, Madrigal Singers and teaches graduate and undergraduate choral conducting and literature. Through juried application his University Singers have achieved significant recognition through state, regional and national convention performances including the Illinois Music Educators Association, the National Association for Music Education and the American Choral Directors

Association. They have appeared on professional venues with the Dallas Brass, Kansas City Symphony, Peoria Symphony, and Phoenix Symphony. Additionally, Dr. Stegall has presented for the College Music Society, The International Conference on Arts and Humanities, The Phenomenon of Singing International Symposium, the National Association for Music Education and the American Choral Directors Association.

The Illinois Music Educators Association recognized Dr. Stegall's contributions in teaching with the Mary Hoffman Award of Excellence. At WIU he received the Outstanding Teacher in the College of Fine Arts Award, three Outstanding Student Organizational Advisor Awards, two Faculty Excellence Awards, four Professional Achievement Awards and also the Outstanding Music Alumnus Award from Stephen F. Austin State University.

On a personal note, James Stegall resides in Macomb, IL with his wife Erin, a middle school choral director and his ten-year old son, Evan, a nationally ranked USA swimmer.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

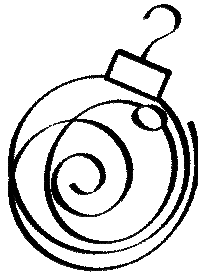
It is a pleasure to bring you the annual Holiday Festival of Choirs. Thank you Monsignor Richard Pricco and St. Paul Church for providing your beautiful sanctuary that makes possible this opportunity to combine the best of our WIU and Macomb community. We have come a long way since that first performance in Hainline Theater.

Over the years our guest performers have included School of Music Faculty, harpists, brass ensembles, string quartets, hammered dulcimers and handbell choirs to mention a few. It seems fitting, however, to celebrate these 20 years by inviting my former students who now have their own thriving choral programs and have become leaders in the field of choral music. I am thrilled to have Melanie, Jerry, Matt, Lucas and Aaron with us today. Let me also pass on the regrets of the many other graduates would be with us were it not for their own holiday performances at this time.

I wish you the best for a wonderful holiday season and sincerely hope you enjoy our presentation.

With warmest regards,

Dr. James Stegall  
Director of Choral Activities  
2013 Distinguished Faculty Lecturer



# WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

## **Our Vision**

Western Illinois University will be the leader in educational quality, opportunity, and affordability among its peers.

## **Our Mission**

By enacting our values and supporting the synergy between instruction, research, creativity, and service, Western Illinois University prepares a socially responsible, diverse student, faculty, and staff population to lead in the global society.

## **Our Values**

*Academic Excellence:* Central to our history and tradition is the commitment to teaching, to the individual learner, and to active involvement in the teaching/learning process. Western Illinois University's highly qualified, diverse faculty promotes critical thinking, engaged learning, research, and creativity in a challenging, supportive learning community. We are committed to an academic environment that encourages lifelong development as learners, scholars, teachers, and mentors.

*Educational Opportunity:* Western Illinois University values educational opportunity and welcomes those who show promise and a willingness to work toward achieving shared educational goals. We are committed to providing accessible, high-quality educational programs and financial support for our students.

*Personal Growth:* Western Illinois University values the development of the whole person. We are committed to providing opportunities for personal growth in an environment that supports the development of wellness, ethical decision-making, and personal responsibility. With personal growth comes an environment and interpersonal dynamics that celebrate diversity, support internationalization of the curriculum, and encourage plurality of thought and perspective.

*Social Responsibility:* Western Illinois University is committed to equity, social justice, and diversity and will maintain the highest standards of integrity in our work with others. We serve as a resource for and stimulus to economic, educational, cultural, environmental, and community development in our region and well beyond.

## WIU CHOIRS CALENDAR 2013 - 2014

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| September 13 | School of Music Scholarship Concert<br>COFAC Recital Hall  |
| September 17 | IMEA District IV All-State Preparation Workshop<br>COFAC and Heritage Room   |
| September 23 | University Singers at Founder's Day Celebration<br>Grand Ballroom  |
| October 5    | WIU Choirs All Britten Concert<br>Wesley United Methodist Church<br>7:30p (Free)   |
| October 11   | Choral Leadership Workshop<br>COFAC Recital Hall<br>9:00a-3:00p (Admission)  |
| November 4-6 | Fall Recruiting Tour<br><br>North Scott High School                      West Liberty High School<br>Moline High School                              Gloria Dei Lutheran Church<br>First Congressional Church                      Iowa City West High School<br>Clear-Creek Amana High School |
| December 7   | Holiday Festival of Choirs 20th Anniversary Concert<br>St. Paul Church<br>2:00p and 7:30p (Admission)  |
| January 23   | <i>If A Picture Paints A Thousand Words: A Conducting Master Class</i><br>Dr. Stegall and the Western Illinois University Singers<br>IMEA All-State Conference<br>Peoria, Illinois   |
| March 2      | University Singers and Concert Choir Spring Concert<br>Nature and Spirituality<br>COFAC Recital Hall<br>3:00p (Free)   |
| March 21     | WIU Junior/Senior Honor Chorus Festival<br>All Day (Auditioned / Fee)  |
| April 19     | Choir and Orchestra Masterworks Concert - Brahms<br>COFAC Recital Hall (Admission)   |
| April 24     | Vocal Jazz Concert<br>COFAC<br>7:30p (Free)  |
| April 27     | WIU Choirs Student Conductors Concert<br>COFAC<br>3:00p (Free)   |

## SING ALONG CAROLS

### O Christmas Tree

O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree!  
Thou tree most fair and lovely!  
O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree!  
Thou tree most fair and lovely!

The sight of thee at Christmas tide  
Spreads hope and gladness far and wide  
O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree!  
Thou tree most fair and lovely!

O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree!  
Thou hast a wondrous message:  
O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree!  
Thou hast a wondrous message:

Thou dost proclaim the Savior's birth,  
Good will to men and peace on earth.  
O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree!  
Thou hast a wondrous message.

### Joy to the World

Joy to the world! The Lord has come:  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room,

And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Savior reigns:  
Let men their songs employ,  
While fields and floods,  
rocks, hills and plains

Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

### Deck the Hall

Deck the hall with boughs of holly,  
Fa la la la la, la la la la.  
Tis the season to be jolly,  
Fa la la la la, la la la la  
Don we now our gay apparel,  
Fa la la, la la la, la la la  
Troll the ancient Yule-tide carol,  
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

See the blazing Yule before us,  
Fa la la la la, la la la la.  
Strike the harp and join the chorus,  
Fa la la la la, la la la la  
Follow me in merry measure,  
Fa la la, la la la, la la la  
While I tell of Yule-tide treasure,  
Fa la la la la, la la la la.



## SING ALONG CAROLS

### Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow  
in a one horse open sleigh,  
O'er the fields we go,  
laughing all the way;  
Bells on bobtail ring,  
making spirits bright;  
What fun it is to ride and sing  
a sleighing song tonight!

Jingle Bells! Jingle Bells!  
Jingle all the way!  
Oh, what fun it is to ride  
In a one horse open sleigh!

Jingle Bells! Jingle Bells!  
Jingle all the way!  
Oh, what fun it is to ride  
In a one horse open sleigh!

Day or two ago  
I thought I'd take a ride,  
And soon Miss Fannie Bright  
was seated by my side.  
The horse was lean and lank,  
misfortune seem'd his lot,  
He got into a drifted bank,  
and we, we, got upsot.

Jingle Bells! Jingle Bells!  
Jingle all the way!  
Oh, what fun it is to ride  
In a one horse open sleigh!

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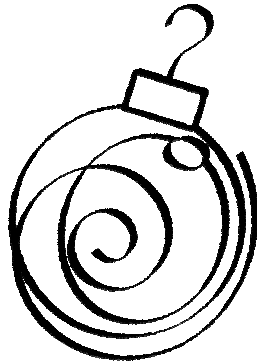
### Angels we Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high,  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains.  
And the mountains in reply,  
Echoing their joyous strains.

Gloria  
In excelsis Deo  
Gloria  
In excelsis Deo

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be,  
Which inspire your heavenly song?

Gloria  
In excelsis Deo  
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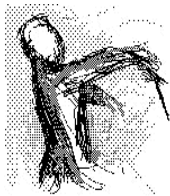
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