

# **Holiday Extravaganza!**

-- INTERMISSION

Christmas Scherzo Arr. Don Sebesky

Christmas Cantacles Arr. O'Loughlin

Sleigh Ride Leroy Anderson Jesus is the Reason/Sweet Little Jesus Boy Arr. Wise

Minor Alterations Lovrien

Canadian Brass Christmas Arr. Custer

Hanukah Festival Arr. Richman

Glory to God in the Highest Arr. Wise

L'Arlesienne/Farandole Georges Bizet

He Brought Joy to the World Arr. Wise

Caribbean Sleigh Ride Wendel

Sing We Now of Christmas Arr. Bass

Around the World Arr. Chase

### Welcome to the NHSO!

### Before the concert begins:



- Read the Program Notes for Kids.
- Locate the restrooms and exits.
- Look around at the architecture of the theater.
- Listen to musicians warm-up their instruments.

#### During the concert:

- Clap as people enter the stage.
- Listen quietly as the orchestra plays.
- Wait for every section (called *movements*) of a piece to be played, then clap. (Hint: the conductor will turn to face you when it's time.)
- During intermission, you are free to get up.
- At the end of the concert, people may stand up to show their appreciation. This is called a *standing ovation*.



### **ENIOY!**







Jonathan Berryman is the Music Director of the Heritage Chorale of New Haven (the choir that will be singing with the orchestra tonight). He graduated from Princeton University before moving up to New Haven to attend Yale University. Besides running the Heritage Chorale, he also teaches in New Haven AND is working on getting his PhD (the highest college degree you can get!)



**Chelsea Tipton** is one of our conductors here at the New Haven Symphony Orchestra. He lives down in Texas, where he conducts another orchestra, and comes up to visit us 4 times a year.

Maestro Tipton was born in Oklahoma, but raised in North Carolina. Both of his parents loved music, too! His father played clarinet and his mother was a music teacher. He followed his father's idea and began playing clarinet when he was in the 4th grade. When he was in college, he realized that he liked conducting better and has been doing it ever since!

# The Heritage Chorale of New Haven



# Holiday Music Around the World

Countries and cultures all around the world celebrate different holidays in the winter. Here are three that are celebrated in the United States, and music that comes from their celebrations:

CHRISTMAS

**Christmas** is celebrated in the Christian religion. Christians believe that Jesus Christ was born on December 25, so they celebrate the day to remember his birth. Santa Claus is a large part of the holiday, too. Santa Claus is really Saint Nicholas, who was a real man that lived 300 years after Jesus was born! He gave money to his poor neighbors to help them out, so they remembered him and kept his memory alive by telling people about him. Santa Claus comes from Saint Nicholas: Saint = Santa and Ni**cholas** = Claus!

Some famous Christmas songs (called **carols**):

- Joy to the World
- Deck the Halls
- Silent Night

- Little Drummer Boy
- O Come All Ye Faithful
- The First Noel

# CHANUKAH

**Chanukah** (sometimes spelled **Hanukkah**) means "Festival of Lights," and comes from the Jewish religion. It celebrates the time when the Maccabees, a group of Jewish people living together, won a battle against the Seleucid Empire, who told Jewish people that they could no longer practice their religion. After the battle, the Maccabees wanted to pray at a temple. They could only find enough oil to light their candles for one night, but a miracle happened and the oil burned for eight nights! Now the holiday is celebrated by families lighting one branch of a menorah, or lamp, per night. Family members exchange gifts over the eight nights and eat and pray together. The holiday is celebrated at a different time every year, sometime between late November and early December.

Some famous Hanukkah songs:

- S'vivon Sov Sov Sov
- I Have a Little Dreidel
- Maor Trur

- Al Hanisim
- Mi Y'malel
- Nerli

# Kwanzaa

**Kwanzaa** is a holiday that celebrates African-American culture. It was first practiced in 1966, and runs from December 26 until January 1 each year. Each of the seven days is meant to learn about and reflect on one of these principles: **Umoja** (Unity), **Kujichagulia** (Self-Determination), **Ujima** (Collective work/responsibility), **Ujamaa** (Cooperative Economics), **Nia** (Purpose), **Kuumba** (Creativity), and **Imani** (Faith).

Some famous Kwanzaa songs:

- The Kwanzaa Song
- Seven Principles
- Ishe Oluwe

- Ogunire
- Oshun Chant
- Tarig Ash-Shoag

## **SCAVENGER HUNT**

How many questions can you answer?

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1. How many columns are there around Woolsey Hall?	
2. How many organ pipes are there behind the stage?	
3. How many oboes are on stage?	
4. How many brass instruments are on stage?	
5. How many lights are hanging from the ceiling?	
If you were writing a review of Heritage Chorale's performance tonight, which words would you use to describe it? Check all that apply!	
Captivating Boring	Effortless Quick
Exhilarating Amazing	Fascinating Vibrant
Quiet Fast	Fire Slow
Out of all of the pieces that you heard tonight, which one did you like best? Why?	

### **CONCERT REVIEW**

Write or draw about your experience at the concert tonight.
Who did you see? What did you hear?
What did you think about the music and the experience?
What would you like to tell the Maestro and the musicians?

We would love to know what you think! Scan or copy this page and send it to **us**:

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### **Family Concert Series: AROUND THE WORLD**

The NHSO Family Concert Series provides fun, interactive concerts for students ages 3-9 to meet the instruments of the orchestra. These concerts will be held from January - March at Davis Street School in New Haven and Shelton Intermediate School.

Before each concert, the NHSO offers an Instrument Petting Zoo where children can tap, tickle, and toot real orchestral instruments before the performance. Following the concert, families are invited to stay for a healthy snack. New Haven Reads provides free children's books for everyone who attends the concert. Attendance is FREE but donations are welcome!









#### **CHINA**

January 18 & 19

Join erhu player Kevin Chen as we kick off Chinese New Year celebrations!

#### **GHANA**

February 1 & 2

We invited John Wesley Dankwa to share his home country of Ghana's music and culture.

#### **PUERTO RICO**

March 14 & 15

Guitarist Lorena Garay will introduce us to the rhythms and melodies from her home country, Puerto Rico.

Visit NewHavenSymphony.org/Family to learn more.

