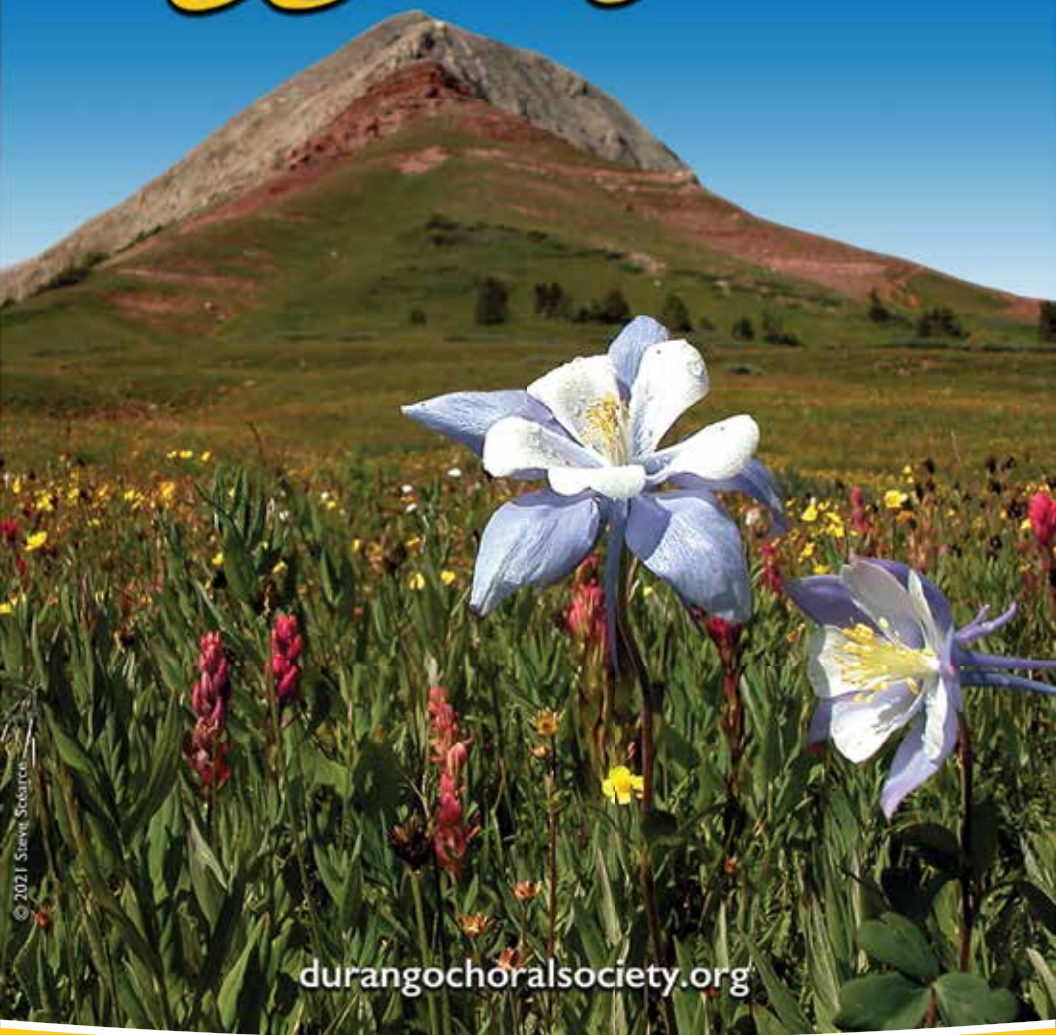


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From the Artistic Director

Welcome to the Durango Choral Society's 2021 Spring Virtual Season, "Bright & Beautiful"

As I gaze out the window on a brilliantly sunny winter morning, I find myself reflecting on the events of the past year and on the theme for our winter and spring 2021 concerts. It seems inconceivable that our entire way of life has been turned upside down, but today I am filled with hope. Life is indeed bright and beautiful, and I am pleased to offer you the gift of uplifting and inspiring music to bring you joy and peace.

We WILL defeat this virus! We WILL sing together again! Although I have no idea what the new "normal" will look like, I do know that the arts will survive and thrive.

You, our devoted friends, have sustained us, encouraged us, and supported our musical efforts in spite of not being able to physically attend a live concert. I promise that you will see us together in person as soon as it is safe for all of us. We continue to follow the science and choose facts over fear.

In the meantime, I hope that our three musical offerings in the next few months will lift your spirits and refresh your feelings of gratitude, hope, and anticipation of good times to come.

The Durango Choral Society's four multigenerational choirs will open our winter/spring season on March 5 with titles including All Things Bright and Beautiful, Ain'a That Good News, Shenandoah, Make Our Garden Grow, The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee, and When the Saints Go Marching in. Yes, the entire program is designed to bring you hope and joy!

Everything on the program is sure to delight and inspire you. The program highlight will be a virtual performance of How Can I Keep From Singing, recorded individually by our adult singers and skillfully mixed together by our technical guru Gordon Thomas.

Did you know that the Choral Society has travelled all around the world? On April 23 we will release Around the World with the Durango Choral

Society, with never before seen or heard audio and video performance and rehearsal footage from our concert tours to far flung places including Salzburg, Prague, Greece, Budapest, Hawaii, Innsbruck, and even Carnegie Hall!

When is Mother's Day this year? Beginning on Mom's special day, May 9, you are in for a very special treat. Since we cannot host our annual Cabaret this year, we will bring a rousing, joyous performance to your living rooms with soloists, choirs, and jazz combo taking a wild romp through Broadway, Opera, and the Great American Songbook. I might even sing a few selections from the police blotter to spice up the evening. Watch for it.

Thank you so much for your continued support and encouragement. You have kept up our spirits, kept us singing, and filled us with hope for a bright and beautiful future.

With love, hope, and joy,
Linda Mack Berven
Artistic Director/Conductor



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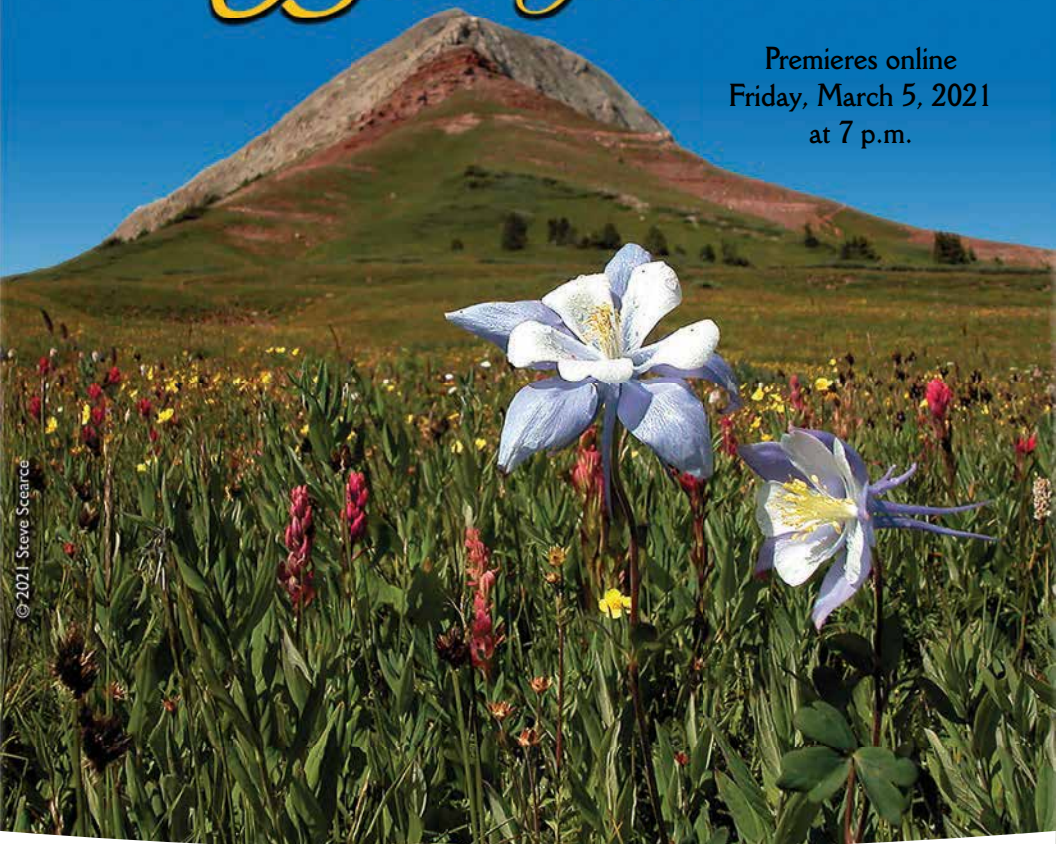


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Durango Choral Society

Premieres online
Friday, March 5, 2021
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Bright and Beautiful

will focus on uplifting and inspiring music to bring you hope and joy! The Durango Choral Society's four multigenerational choirs open our spring season with titles including *All Things Bright and Beautiful*, *Ain'a That Good News*, *Shenandoah*, and *When the Saints Go Marching In*. One of the program highlights will be a virtual performance of *How Can I Keep From Singing*, recorded individually by our adult singers.

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Around the World with the Durango Choral Society



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Around the World with the Durango Choral Society will treat you to never before seen or heard audio and video performance and rehearsal footage from our concert tours to far flung places, including Zagreb, Salzburg, Prague, Greece, and Hawaii as well as Santa Fe, Cincinnati, Telluride, and Carnegie Hall. This virtual event will offer you an inside look at our many adventures with performance videos in spectacular locations, photos, and commentary by Linda Mack Berven, PLUS performances of international music by our Women's and Youth Choirs.

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Durango Choral Society at the Rudolfinum Theater in Prague

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Lacrymosa
Hostias

from *Requiem*

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Gerakina (sung in Greek) arr. Henry Leck
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Molitva/Prayer (sung in Croatian) Franjo Dugan
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Curtis Storm, tenor

Kyrie Gabriel Fauré
Sanctus

from *Requiem*

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Day Break (Australia) Stephen Hatfield
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Durango Women's Choir here at home

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Durango Choral Society in Salzburg

Amazing Grace

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Libera Me

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from *Requiem*

Jeffrey Jones, Baritone

Introit and Kyrie

Maurice Duruflé

Sanctus

In Paradisum

from *Requiem*

with Prelude Gemischter Choir, Budapest,
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And, in Hawai'i

City Called Heaven

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Sue Weber, Soloist

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Sansa Krona

(West Africa)

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Agnus Dei

from *Requiem*

Gabriel Fauré

Durango Choral Society and Telluride Chamber Choir in Telluride and Durango

Sanctus

David Lingle

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Thomas Heuser, Conductor

Durango Women's Choir

A Gaelic Blessing

John Rutter



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Sit back on the sofa, grab an appetizer, and enjoy a rousing, joyous virtual Cabaret with performances by soloists, choirs, and jazz combo taking a wild romp through Broadway, Opera, and the Great American Songbook. You will hear everything from Cole Porter to George M. Cohan, Georges Bizet's *Carmen* to *Phantom of the Opera*, and even a musical rendering of the Durango Herald police blotter complete with a chance for you to sing along!

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Anything Goes

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Music of the Night Andrew Lloyd Weber
from *Phantom of the Opera*
Curtis Storm

Broadway Ladies arr. Philip Kern
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From the Director

Durango Children's Chorale Durango Youth Chorus

The other day my daughter commandeered my phone and set Pandora to the Disney station, and I heard a song that really resonated with me. It is a song from the movie *Frozen 2* called *Into the Unknown*, and while Elsa (the main character) sings this song in a totally different situation, the chorus has stuck with me as I have chosen music for our virtual season. We are venturing “into the unknown” and while I find it so uncomfortable to be going about life without live singing, I am confident that it is not forever. There is comfort and joy in revisiting the beautiful music the choirs of the DCS have created in the past. For me, it was a humbling experience to peruse videos dating back to 2012 and see our little beginning DCC singers blossom into confident contributing members of DYC. I hope our selections from seasons past will bring you the comfort and joy you need to feed your musical soul as we continue to move “into the unknown.”

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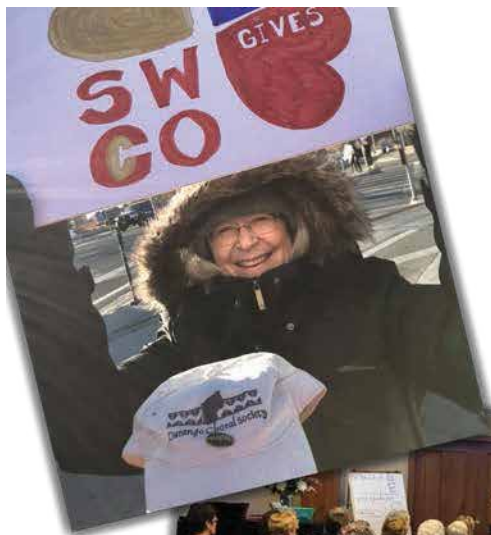
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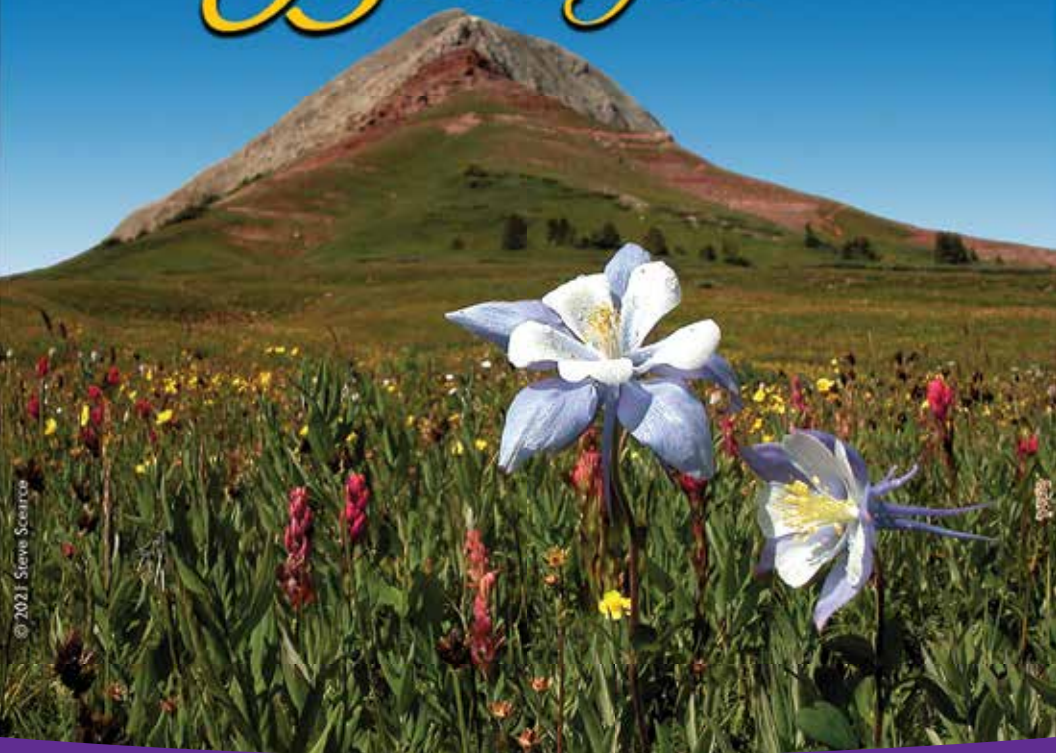
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