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Womyn's Chorus
Giving Voice to Our Community



Artistic Director
Jordan R. Markham

presents

Kaleidoscope

Saturday, November 20, 2021 at 7:30 PM
(Auction at 6:30)

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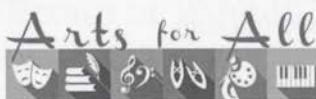
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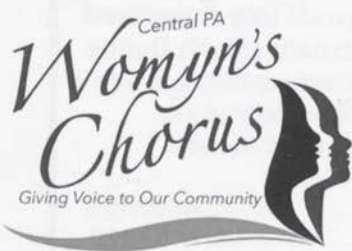
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Welcome!



When I think of a kaleidoscope, I envision a cylindrical device filled with fragments of brightly colored glass of varying shapes and sizes, every piece beautiful with its own distinct character. With each movement, the pieces shift and arrange themselves into patterns, magnifying the individual beauty of each piece. Each movement creates a different picture, creating magnificent patterns, lovely to behold.

The 2021 Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus is a collection of unique individual talent and personality. Our fall concert showcases our versatility, bringing voices together in a kaleidoscope of music – each song bringing a new and different experience.

Kaleidoscopes also represent resilience in the face of constant shifting and change. In a kaleidoscope, change is art. The CPWC is proud of the work we have done throughout this pandemic, leaning into what we know best – making and sharing music with one another and with you – in whatever form we are able.

We are grateful to you for joining us every step of the way – whether it be virtual, outdoors, or indoors in person, we are happy to have our members, friends, supporters, and audience members be a part of our kaleidoscope, creating the whole of the Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus. A remarkable artistic landscape, capable of shifting into something more beautiful with every turn.

Laura Edinger
President of the Board

The Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus brings together a diverse group of women, united by the joy of singing, to celebrate and empower women, and to affirm a positive image of lesbians and feminists.

Program

In Meeting We are Blessed **Troy Robertson**
Text by R. Gatsnahos/John Donne

In our labors and in our meetings with others, we are blessed. We create enduring friendships, and we are no longer alone.

Sponsored by Phyllis Smith—To all who need friends!

Let the River Run **Carly Simon**
Arr. by Craig Hella Johnson

The movie *Working Girl* portrays the excitement of dreaming. And even though we may be trembling and shaking as dreamers, daring brings a new awakening as possibilities become reality.

Sponsored by Arleen Shulman

Pure Imagination **Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley**
Arr. by Matthew D. Nielsen

From *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*, wonder and magic exist in everyday lives. Simply look around and view anything you wish, in the world of your imagination.

Sponsored by Darla Henry — To all the dreamers who embrace their dreams!

Baba Yetu **Christopher Tin**
Arr. by Roger Emerson

Soloist: Annie Hughes

Written for the video game series *Civilization*, *Baba Yetu* is an epic, rhythmic text of "The Lord's Prayer," sung in the Swahili language. It won a 2011 Grammy award.

Sponsored by Martha O'Conner

Nine to Five **Dolly Parton**
Arr. by Ed Lojeski

Soloist: Erin Eckert

A humorous movie of the 80's, the song became an anthem for the empowerment of working women: women overcoming adverse workplaces and contrary bosses to emerge strong and independent.

Program

Overture to the Marriage of Figaro W.A. Mozart
Arr. by Howard Cable

Ever tried to be a violin? Singing Mozart in scat syllables provides lots of fun for both singers and audiences.

Speechless Alan Menken
Lyrics by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul
Arr. by Jacob Narverud

Soloist: Ashley Zink

"I won't be silenced." In *Aladdin*, Jasmine sings of the power of speech, not to be kept quiet or shut down.

Sponsored by Deb and Lucy Glorius—To all who have no voice

Butterflies Kacey Musgraves, Luke Laird,
and Natalie Hemby
Arr. by Andy Beck

Soloist: Rebecca Bausinger

Ah, falling in love, a new you emerging from a chrysalis, feeling like you're on Cloud 9, and able to fly.

Sponsored by Eileen Csongradi

Roar Katy Perry, Lukasz Gottwald, Max Martin,
Bonnie McKee and Henry Walter

Get your fight on. Be your own hero - you are a champion, you can roar louder and bolder than a lion.

The Human Heart Stephen Flaherty
Lyrics by Lynn Ahrens
Arr. by Andy Beck

Soloist: Ollie Silver

The musical, "Once on this Island," tells the story of a loving heart, teaching us that the love we give is stronger than death.

Sponsored by Cynthia Swanson—a woman with a boundless heart.

Kusimama Jim Papoulis

Kusimama, or Stand Tall, brings new world rhythms and language to a song of standing tall, with hope, strength, acceptance, and positivity.

Sponsored by Rima Cameron—To those in our Community

Who joins the Central PA Womyn's Chorus?



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Erin Eckert
Laura Edinger
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Darla Henry
Phyllis Smith
Wendy Roberson

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Deb Glorius
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Stephanie Long
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The Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus
rehearses on Monday nights
at Colonial Park United Church of Christ,
5000 Devonshire Road, Harrisburg.
We welcome new singers, members,
volunteers, and community involvement.

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Musicians



Jordan R. Markham, Artistic Director & Conductor, studied at The Peabody Conservatory of The Johns Hopkins University and Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania. He is a classically-trained singer, having studied under Grammy-winning baritone William Sharp and soprano Susan Solomon Beckley of Bucknell University. He was a chorister at The National Cathedral and a chorister and soloist in The Handel Choir of Baltimore. Throughout the past decade, Jordan has performed with The Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, as well as at Carnegie Hall, the Boston Symphony Hall, and the Jackie Gleason Theatre. He has been active in the musical scene for the past decade directing, accompanying, and acting in theaters throughout Pennsylvania and Maryland. He is currently serving as Director of Music & Organist at St Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Tyler A. Canonico, Collaborative Pianist, is hailed as “one of east coast’s finest young concert organists and inspiring church musicians. Tyler is the Minister of Music and Organist at Market Square Presbyterian Church in downtown Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. In addition to his work, he is the organist for the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra, a co-founding member of Allegro con Fuoco, serves on the American Guild of Organists’ national committee for Pipe Organ Encounters, and is the Sub Dean for the Harrisburg AGO Chapter. His education includes a Master of Music in organ performance from the University of Alabama and a Bachelor of Arts in organ performance and sacred music from Lebanon Valley College. Tyler is exclusively represented by Concert Artists Cooperative.



Dr. Erik Forst, percussionist, is the Director of Percussion Studies at Messiah College, where he oversees all aspects of the Percussion Area. He maintains a healthy performing schedule as a soloist and clinician both nationally and internationally. Dr. Forst is also in demand as a Percussionist and Timpanist throughout the East Coast, most recently being appointed the Principal Timpanist with the Gettysburg Chamber Orchestra in 2018. He is a clinician and performer for several percussion companies. An ardent supporter of new music, Dr. Forst has been involved in the commissioning of several new works. He performed with CPWC at its 2021 Spring Concert. Welcome back, Erik.

The Chorus thanks Cynthia Swanson, retiring President, and Mary Nancarrow, retiring Board member, for their many years of service.



When Cynthia Swanson attended her first Womyn's Chorus Spaghetti Dinner in the 1990's, little could she have known that she would serve on its board for 18 years and be its President for 12. After a year of volunteering, she joined CPWC's board in 2003.

Over the years, she and her eventual partner Mary Nancarrow used a fundraising strategy that raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for the Chorus. The strategy? "We were not afraid to try (almost) anything, and never said no to anything," Cynthia said. Whether a Valentine's Day Dinner Dance, car wash, caroling, pancake breakfast, rummage sale, raffle, staffing Dog Shows or serving food and beer at Farm Show events, Cynthia organized our talented members and friends with lots of heart.

A childhood in an Air Force family, a career in counseling and casework management and working with the Women's Theater Guild years ago honed her ability to lead a non-profit group with adaptability and good humor. Cynthia said she was thrilled to work with the Chorus because it was so good to be part of something special -- a safe place for lesbians.

This sense of belonging has provided much of her energy. Cynthia never stopped moving at any Chorus event. She has donated thousands of hours of her time, both as officer and as volunteer for virtually any task (like driving a truck!). Although no longer President, Cynthia continues to serve the Chorus in an emerita role and helps whenever needed. We deeply appreciate her dedication, leadership and the legacy she leaves us.

"I claim the title of Biggest Fan," says Mary Nancarrow, who is leaving the Board after eighteen years as non-singing member and Fundraising Co-Chair. It was the "beautiful, joyful and powerful" music that first drew Mary to the Chorus. It was commitment to the music and the mission that kept her working for the Womyn's Chorus ever since. "I've loved how the Chorus gives voice to so many women -- as feminists, lesbians, singers or audience. Every concert has given me goosebumps."

Mary has a long history of advocating for women's equality and LGBTQ+ rights. She helped get an ordinance prohibiting LGBT discrimination passed in Harrisburg in 1983 and was later president of Pennsylvania National Organization for Women.



She first volunteered with CPWC by videotaping concerts. Since joining the board in 2003, she has been called "relentless" in promoting the Womyn's Chorus. Along with Cynthia Swanson, she helped to keep the Chorus on track financially. They built a travel fund and volunteer system. They created new fundraisers and worked throughout every event (even this year's Virtual Auction, yard sale and tonight's silent auction!). Mary coordinated or wrote grant proposals and collaborated with other groups. "I am just so thankful for every volunteer, the donors, the supportive organizations and our audiences," Mary said recently. We are grateful for the thousands of hours she has given to the Chorus.



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
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VOLUNTEERS: We rely on volunteers to support the Chorus with everything from fundraising coordination, graphic design, grant writing to on-site duties at concerts. This season's special volunteers are Theresa Alberici, Sandy Boothe, Rebecca Bowen, Rima Cameron, Laura Dalton, Marlene Kanuck, Stephanie Long, Julie Metzger, Linda Mussoline, Mary Nancarrow, Genni Piatt, and Cynthia Swanson.

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Tyler A. Canonico, conductor

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