

HOLIDAYS WITH MISSION PEAK



DEC 7, 2024 @ 7:30PM

DEC 8, 2024 @ 4:00PM

EAST BAY PEOPLE'S CHOIR

MISSION PEAK CHAMBER SINGERS

NILES DISCOVERY CHURCH, NILES BLVD, FREMONT

WWW.CHAMBERSINGERS.ORG

A note from the Artistic Director

Welcome!

We're so glad you're here to ring in the holidays with us. This concert is a labor of love, resilience, and dedication from our singers, board members, and staff, and is filled to the brim with what we hope will bring you joy and even a bit of laughter as we gather to celebrate the holidays together.

You'll hear eclectic carols from around the world, songs about how we treat those we don't know yet, and music that reminds us of the wonder and mystery found in the magic of this season. You'll even get to hear some of our young friends read the text to songs intended for children ages 1 to 92 who still enjoy a laugh, and listen for sounds of hooves on the rooftop.

During this season, we remember that music is everywhere. We take comfort in the ritual of group singing, knowing that people have been singing together for centuries and will sing together far into the future! We join together, with carolers, concert goers, curmudgeons, and all folks who appreciate song around the world. We come together not only to have a great time and share our hard work with those we love, but also to join in the centuries-old tradition of group singing during the darkest time of year. We keep our fires kindled through making music together. Raising our voices together in harmony emboldens us, and connects us to others and the world beyond ourselves. It also connects us to you!

We are grateful for your presence, your laughter and applause (thanks in advance!) and, most importantly, your voices. Each of us at Mission Peak wishes you and yours the warmest and most peaceful of Holidays!

We hope you enjoy!

Dr. Corie Brown
Mission Peak Artistic Director

PS Ho, ho, ho! Santa hopes you'll be present (and not on your tech) during the show. BUT, during intermission, or post show, please follow us on instagram or facebook! Better yet, post a picture of you and your favorite musician who sang in today's concert, and then tag us in a Facebook or Instagram post after our concert and you'll be entered to win TWO free tickets to our March show!
fb: @missionpeakchambersingers ig: missionpeaksings

PERSONNEL

DR. CORIE BROWN, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR
HSIN-YEE SHIH, COLLABORATIVE PIANIST

PERCUSSION
ANDREW HATHAWAY

EAST BAY PEOPLE'S CHOIR

SOPRANO

CATHY BARRY
SALLY CALLAN
SHARON CANDELARIO*
ALICE CHEUNG
CAROLA DI ALESSANDRO*
LAURA EVANS
MAKEBA GARRAWAY**
CHARITY JENTZSCH
WING KO*
MARIAH LAGUNA
SYDNEY MOURA*
FARNAZ PARHAMI*
KAREN POZNIAK
AURÉA QUINTONG*
SANDI SUMARNO*
KARLA THOMAS*
TERA VITEK
SHEILA YAU

TENOR

CARL BLINCOE
ANDREW CHIANG
JUDY CHONG
GLENDA CHUI*
ANDREW HATHAWAY
VICTOR JANN*
BENJAMIN SCOTT*

BASS

RON ABARILLO
ROMAIN BACOU*
CHRISTOPHER BREITLING**
ADAM LEE**
PAUL MALKIN

ALTO

CANDACE CHOY*
NANCY COUMOU
FALGUNI DESAI
JACQUELINE FLATEN*
SHIRLEY GILBERT
SHAMEKIA GOLDSMITH
JOAN GOWER
CLAIRE HARPER
LISA HARRIS*
KIRSTEN KAVULAK*
KENDRA LAIRD
BRENDA LOREMAN*
MARY MALKIN
KELLY MORAN
PAMELA NITSOS**
TONI NOVAK
ANN PARKS-COUNCIL
SUE RUDHOLM*
TRACY TRAVIS

* MEMBER OF CHAMBER SINGERS

**CHAMBER SINGERS SECTION LEADER

Welcome to
Holidays with Mission Peak

PROGRAM

East Bay People's Choir

Christmas is Coming

English carol

Winter With You

Pink Zebra

Bonk' Abaphandle (All Those Who are Outside, Call Them In)

Trad. Zulu greeting song

Arr. Barrett and Ndlovu

A New Year Carol

Benjamin Britten

Sing Along: O Come, All Ye Faithful

(lyrics on next page)

Mission Peak Chamber Singers

Antiphonal Alleluia from "Occasional Oratorio"

George F. Handel (1685-1759)

Arr. Liebergen

**Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen
(Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming)**

Arr. Praetorius (1571-1621)

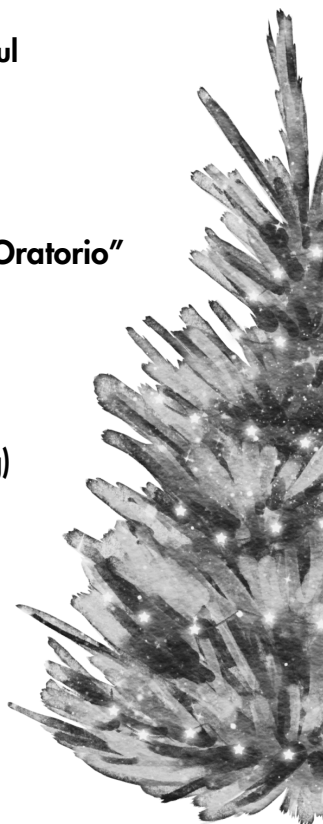
Treat a Stranger Right

Willie Johnson

Arr. Moira Smiley

and Alexander Lloyd Blake

Brenda Loreman, Soloist



Imaginary Creatures (selected movements)

1. Mermaid

2. Unicorn

3. Imaginary Friend •

Andrea Ramsey

INTERMISSION •

Funky Dreidl from Three Pieces for Chanukah •

Robert Applebaum

Christmas Song

Mel Torme and Robert Wells

Sing Along: Here Comes Santa Claus

(lyrics on next page)

East Bay People's Choir

Text Me Merry Christmas

David Javerbaum and Adam Schlesinger

Carl Blincoe, Jackie Flatten, Aurea Quintong, Lisa Harris, soloists

Storm is Passing Over

Charles Albert Tindley

arr. Baker

Silent Night / Noche de Paz

Franz Gruber

Arr. Carrillo

Rosas Pandan

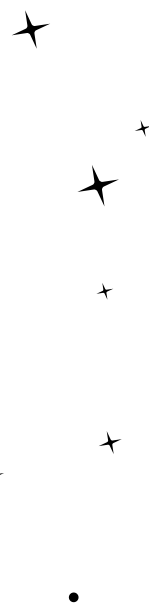
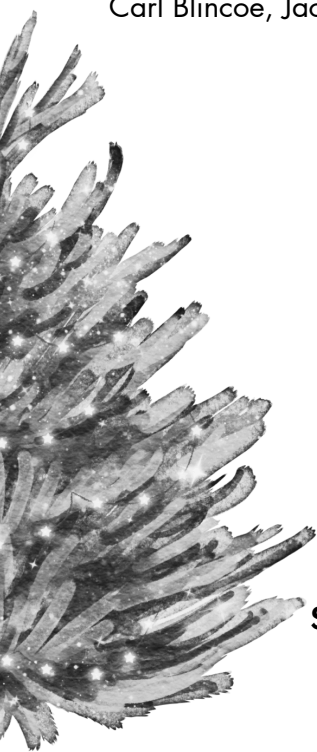
Visayan folk song

arr. Hernandez

Makeba Garraway, soloist

Sing Along: Christmas Is Coming

(lyrics on next page)





O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him, born the King of Angels
O come, let us adore Him (x3), Christ the Lord

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation
Sing all ye citizens of heav'n above
Glory to God, glory in the highest
O come, let us adore Him (x3), Christ the Lord

Here Comes Santa Claus

Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus,
Right down Santa Claus lane
Vixen and Blitzen and all his reindeer
Pullin' on the reins
Bells are ringin', children singin'
All is merry and bright
Hang your stockings and say your prayers
'Cause Santa Claus comes tonight!

Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus,
Right down Santa Claus lane
He's got a bag that's filled with toys
For boys and girls again
Hear those sleigh bells jingle jangle,
Oh what a beautiful sight
So jump in bed and cover your head
'Cause Santa Claus comes tonight!

Christmas is Coming

Christmas is coming, the goose is getting fat!
Please put a penny in the old man's hat.
If you haven't got a penny, a ha'penny will do
If you haven't got a ha'penny, then God bless you!

Translations:

Bonk' Abaphandle (South Africa)

All those who are outside, call them in
All those who are outside, come inside
We have made a passage for them, let them in
We have made a passage for them, come inside

Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen (Germany)

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming
From tender stem hath sprung
of Jesse's lineage coming
As men of old have sung
it came, a flow'ret bright
Amid the cold of winter
When half spent was the night

Rosas Pandan (Philippines)

Here I am, Rosas Pandan, coming from the mountains
to be with all of you to celebrate this festivity

This song is my only offering, the only legacy from my forefathers
a song that is ancient, the pride of our mountains

A-ya-yay a-ya-yay a-ya-yay

Here is my song as I dance beautifully to it,
it's as cool as the morning dew

oh, the young man, he's excited to meet her



UPCOMING EVENTS:

MISSION PEAK SINGS A CABARET: 2025 CONCERT & GALA

March 15, 2025

Christ the King Lutheran Church, Fremont

Gala: 6:00pm seating, show included

Cabaret Concert: 7:30pm, doors open at 7:00pm

We're thrilled to present our first-ever Cabaret & Gala evening! Our two choirs will be joined by smaller acts who will bring you an entertaining evening of show tunes, Disney favorites, and oldie-but-goodie singalongs. Join us for the Cabaret Concert only or come early for the Gala before the show, where you can meet the performers, bid on silent auction items, and enjoy hor d'oeuvres and bubbly with other Bay Area community arts supporters. For more information about our limited-seating Gala and how you can support live choral music in Fremont, go to chamber.singers.org. Families are welcome at the Cabaret, so long as adults are accompanied by their children.

GIVE MY REGARDS TO BROADWAY

May 3, 2025 7:30pm

Niles Discovery Church, Fremont

Dim the lights and pull the curtain: Mission Peak Choirs take us to the stage this spring! Join us for a spectacular evening of show tunes, schmaltz, and swoon. We'll be joined by a jazz combo on Bob Chilcott's energizing Nidaros Jazz Mass and we'll swing back to favorite show tunes, movie chart toppers, and even a few jazz standards. Songs by ABBA (Dancing Queen), Gershwin (I Got Rhythm), and Into the Woods (Children Will Listen) will have you wanting to jump out of your seats and take the stage. Coco's Remember Me and Dear Evan Hansen's for Forever will feature inspiring lyrics and local soloists. This one-night-only concert is an homage to those who set the gold standard- the stars on Broadway, and the stars in our own backyard. Come meet our Fremont community honorees and join us for the 2024-2025 Concert Season farewell reception following the show. This event is child and family friendly and welcomes first-time concertgoers.

Contact us for group rates.

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS DONORS!

CHAMPION (\$5,000+)

DAVID JOHNSON

ALLY (\$100+)

ALICE CHEUNG

CLAIRE COLLET

CAROLA DI ALESSANDRO

CORIE BROWN

DAISY SALINAS

DIANA TASHJIAN

DONLEY & KATHRYN PARMENTIER

DWAYNE GOODWIN

GLENDA CHUI

JASON FREDERICK

JANET HOLMES

JOYCE & TERRY JOHNSON

LINDA FREDERICK

LAURIN TOEGEMANN

MONIKA LEE

NICHOLAS TRAN

PAUL SCHUTZ

PAUL & MARY MALKIN

RAYMOND HU

RON ALBARILLO

SALLY CALLAN

SYDNEY MOURA

ANONYMOUS

BENEFACTOR (\$1,000+)

BRENDA LOREMAN

CHENMING HU

THE WINE GROUP

PHILIP LEE

ANONYMOUS

DEVOTEE (\$500+)

CARL BLINCOE

DIANA TENG

JUDITH CHONG

LISA LAHOWE

ANONYMOUS

ENTHUSIAST (\$50+)

ANTOINETTE NOVAK

SHARON CANDELARIO

JUDY ZLATNIK

TAMARA SPARKS

WAYNE FISCHER

ANONYMOUS

WELL-WISHER (< \$50)

BARBARA CHARNLEY

DIANA WITTEBORT

GLENN FITZGERALD

ANONYMOUS



Corie Brown
Artistic Director

Corie Brown (she/her) serves as Assistant Professor of Choral Music Education at San José State University. She leads the SJSU Concert and Treble Choirs, and brings diverse teaching experience in both public and community settings. Dr. Brown has taught in Colorado, Oregon, Illinois, Michigan, and most recently in Colombia with the Fundación Nacional Batuta, where she aided in the creation of the organization's choral area.

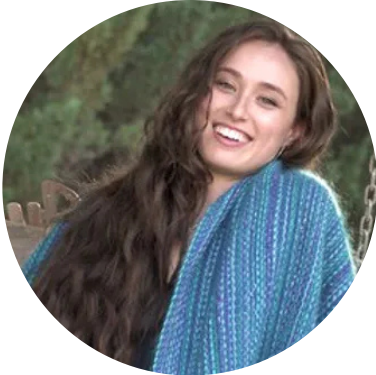
As a conductor, Dr. Brown is active nationally and internationally as a clinician and guest artist. She recently served as faculty at the Kula Kāko'o Virtual Choral Conducting Institute in Hawai'i, adjudicated the Festival Coral de Santander in Colombia, and presented at the Western American Choral Directors Conference. Corie also serves as the Artistic Director for the Mission Peak Chamber Singers in Fremont, with a focus on providing access to quality choral singing in the Bay Area and beyond. As a mezzo-soprano, she has appeared with the Ad Astra Music Festival and Oregon Bach Festival Choirs, as well as the award-winning University of Oregon Chamber Choir, University of Colorado Boulder University Singers, and the Chicago Chorale.

Dr. Brown is privileged to hold degrees from Alma College, the University of Oregon, and the University of Colorado Boulder. She is an active member of the American Choral Directors Association and National Association for Music Education, and serves on the board of directors of the California Choral Directors Association.



Hsin-Yee Shih Collaborative Pianist

Hsin-Yee earned her Bachelor's & Master's degrees in Piano Performance and Bachelor's degree in Oboe Performance from the Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD, where she studied piano with Benjamin Pasternack and oboe with Joseph Turner. Hsin-Yee has accompanied for the Ohlone Chamber Singers in Fremont and Summer in the City Camp at San Jose State University. She is currently the accompanist for the Community Women's Chorus in South Bay. She currently teaches piano at C&L Music and privately in Fremont, CA.



Missa Hawk Managing Director

Missa Hawk is a graduate from San Jose State in Music Education with a choral focus. She has been a vocalist for most of her life and currently sings at Saint Andrews Episcopal Church. She is also a current section leader of Yala Lati Women's Choir. She has been awarded the San Jose State University Dean's List in 2021, received a Senior Award from the Certificate of Merit for Excellence in Music Education, Awarded a scholarship from the Englespoon Family Endowed Scholarship, is a two time Golden Champion winner from Youth Focus Inc. Talent competition, and grand champion for Greater South Bay County Fair Talent Competition.



Bites

Bites is a local food delivery startup dedicated to empowering your favorite restaurants by providing easy online ordering for pickup and delivery. With zero markup and no hidden fees, we ensure that your meals are affordable. Our mission is to support local dining by helping restaurants thrive, allowing you to enjoy direct access to the food you love—all through a simple, user-friendly app.

<https://withbites.com/merchants>

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE
SPRINGFIELD WEALTH
MANAGEMENT GROUP
HERE AT MERRILL.**

Rory E. Springfield, CFA

Senior Vice President
Wealth Management Advisor
Portfolio Manager

Merrill Lynch Wealth Management

555 California Street, 9th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94104
T 415 676 2626 T 800 937 0616 F 415 599 2310
rory_springfield@ml.com
www.fa.ml.com/roryspringfield



Warm Thoughts and Best
Wishes for a Wonderful
Holiday Season, a Happy New
Year, and a year filled with
Health, Happiness and Success.

Building a joyful, vocal and involved community through song



Gather on Tuesday evenings
at Niles Discovery Church

No singing experience necessary

Accessible membership fee with
financial aid available

MISSION PEAK Chamber Singers

Members of the People's Choir can audition to
sing with the Mission Peak Chambers Singers

**For more information contact Artistic Director
Dr. Corie Brown at info@chambersingers.org**

