Welcome!

Thank you for taking time to join us for the inaugural concert of our 2019-2020 season, “Melodies of Artistry and Inspiration”. For tonight’s concert, “American Portraits”, we are pleased to welcome our guest collaborators, The Waukesha Children’s Choir and Choral Members from Sussex Hamilton High School. The Choral Union’s first concert of the season is traditionally an event full of collaboration. Collaboration is a key part of the Waukesha Choral Union’s mission and provides a mutual benefit to us as well as a benefit to our collaborating choirs! It is always a joy to observe music across the ages.

Continuing in the spirit of collaboration, we are proud to enlist the Christmas Clearing House as our non-profit partner for this concert. While it may seem early to be thinking about Christmas, we intentionally elected our fall concert as the time to collaborate with the Christmas Clearing House in hopes that you would consider engaging with this important organization during the upcoming Holiday Season.

As President, I am thrilled to report that we have experienced the largest membership increase since the beginning of Maestro Michael Chapel’s tenure with the Choral Union. Not only are we celebrating five seasons with Mr. Chapel as our artistic director, we also welcome eight new members to the Choral Union this fall! We are incredibly excited to continue spreading music within Waukesha County, and now we’re eight voices stronger to do so.

See you at our next concert!

Makenzie Kojis
President, Waukesha Choral Union

STAY CONNECTED
Website www.ChoralUnion.org — Sign up for our eNewsletter
Facebook @waukchoralunion waukeshachoral

Randle-Dable-Brisk
Funeral, Cremation & Preplanning Services
1110 S. Grand Avenue, Waukesha (262) 547-4035
Supporting the Arts in Our Community for Generations
Lee & Cathleen Brisk Owners/Funeral Directors
Thomas Ribbens Owner/Funeral Director
www.waukeshafunerals.com
The Waukesha Choral Union (WCU) pursues artistic excellence through variety of musical programming. The WCU challenges, enriches, and educates its members, audiences and community. The chorus also impacts the community through collaboration with area schools, youth choral groups and local arts organizations in Waukesha County.

The Waukesha Choral Union can trace its roots as Waukesha’s premier choral society back to 1949 at Carroll University. Over the years, under various names and outstanding artistic directors, WCU has developed a reputation for excellent choral music performances in SE Wisconsin. Adhering to our educational mission, we have collaborated with Carroll University choirs, with music groups from Waukesha South, Waukesha North, Kettle Moraine, Muskego, Hartford Union, and New Berlin Eisenhower High Schools, and with the Waukesha Children’s and the Lake Country Children’s Choirs. We’re proud to have shared the stage with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, the Milwaukee Choristers, Jubilate Chorale, and Bel Canto Chorus. Our potential is endless!
Coming to the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts
BROOKFIELD, WI

Orion Weiss
PIANO
Saturday, January 25, 2020, 7:30PM
FRASER | MOZART | MENDELSSOHN

Giora Schmidt
VIOLIN
Saturday, February 22, 2020, 7:30PM
KRAUS | KABALEVSKY | SVENDSEN | MOZART

Yolanda Kondonassis
HARP
Sunday, March 29, 2020, 3:00PM
PROKOFIEV | GINASTERA | HAYDN

Eric Silberger
VIOLIN
Saturday, April 25, 2020, 7:30PM
MARSH | PAGANINI | BOWEN

Andrew Balio
TRUMPET
Saturday, May 8, 2020, 7:30PM
MACMILLAN | STRAUSS | TOMASI | BEETHOVEN

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!
262-781-9520 -or- wilson-center.com
Info at: wcoconcerts.org
From Facials to Facelifts

Is your skin showing signs of a life well lived?

We offer solutions for Age Spots & Wrinkles

Facial Rejuvenation
We can help you gain smoother, tauter, suppler skin with an assortment of procedures.

Facial Treatments
We offer a variety of facial surgery procedures to help you achieve the features you desire.

State-of-the-Art Equipment

Visit our website or call to explore your options for a more energetic appearance.

Lake Country Plastic and Hand Surgery
Tracy E. McCall, MD FACS | Board Certified Plastic Surgeon
N19W24075 Riverwood Drive #228 Waukesha, WI 53188
(262) 523-1200 | www.wiplasticsurgery.com
SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

Keeping the Waukesha Choral Union singing takes money as well as time, effort, and audiences. Show your support by coming to our performances, singing with us, liking us on Facebook, making a donation, or advertising in our print programs. We are a 501(c)(3) organization, and your donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Waukesha Choral Union is always in need of an extra pair of hands. Call (262) 238-3454 or email marketingmanager@choralunion.org to help out.

SING WITH WAUKESHA CHORAL UNION

The Waukesha Choral Union derives its strength and quality from its members’ passion for singing and is always seeking new voices interested in:

- Improving your singing ability
- Performing major works with an orchestra
- Exploring new musical genres
- Socializing with other singers
- Being a part of a growing, dynamic arts organization

To schedule an audition please call (262) 238-3454 or email membership@choralunion.org

Next auditions will be held January 14, 2020

REHEARSALS

Tuesday nights at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, 2016 Center Road, Waukesha, WI

ADVERTISE WITH WAUKESHA CHORAL UNION

Our audience is encouraged to support those businesses that advertise in our concert programs. All ads include a link on our website. Single concert advertising available.

ADVERTISER BENEFITS

- Increased ad exposure to over 1000 guests throughout the season
- Rotating advertiser spotlights via social media and e-marketing - 1000 plus followers
- Advertiser table at performances (additional marketing collateral, giveaways…)
- All, or part, of your gift (ad purchase) may be tax deductible as a charitable contribution. Please check with your tax advisor
- Free tickets for each performance
- Your company’s web link and recognition on the WCU webpage
- We offer ads on a season and per-program basis, contact us to advertise in our next program, marketingmanager@choralunion.org.
Catering & Cakes
143 W. Broadway ~ Historic Waukesha
Est. 2004

Home of the Best Reuben!
Popular NY Style deli featuring “hand carved” corned beef and pastrami, signature sandwiches, salads, soups and made from scratch desserts in a warm nostalgic atmosphere.

Premium Wine & Beer, Friday Fish, Catering & Cakes
Open Monday-Saturday | (262) 522-9611
www.rochesterdeli.com
www.periwinklesbakery.com

St. Catherine of Alexandria
Rev. Michael D. Strachota

Mass Schedule
Saturdays: 5:00 PM at St. Catherine’s
Sundays: 9:00 AM at St. Catherine’s
7:30 AM at St. Joan of Arc
10:30 AM at St. Joan of Arc

Holy Day Schedule
Day of: 8:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Christian Formation
Preschool-Confirmation
W359 N8512 Brown St (Hwy P)
Oconomowoc (Mapleton)
5 ½ Miles North of Hwy 16
sc-office@scsjcluster.org
920-474-7000 | 1-877-871-8489

We’re celebrating our 30th anniversary and 10,000+ unique theater guides.
At least 1 theater guide printed & delivered per day.
At least 7 separate theater guides printed & delivered per week.
At least 30 separate theater guides printed & delivered per month.
At least 365 separate theater guides printed & delivered per year.
At least 10,000 separate theater guides since 1989.
Michael Chapel is the choir specialist at Brown Deer Middle/High School, where he directs nine different ensembles including: three middle school choirs, four high school choirs and a handbell ensemble. He is the musical theatre director, and is the fine arts event scheduling and performance facilities coordinator for the School District of Brown Deer. Mr. Chapel is active as an adjudicator for solo/ensemble festivals and honors auditions sponsored by the Wisconsin School Music Association (WSMA) and he is in his final year of a 4-year term as the Choir Coordinator for the WSMA Middle Level State Honors Choir. Additionally, he is the choir director and lead service accompanist at Parkside Community UCC (formerly St. Peter’s) in Saukville, WI.

Mr. Chapel is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Music and a Master’s Degree in Music Education – with an emphasis on choral conducting.

Good evening and welcome to our season-opening concert, “American Portraits.” A special note of thanks to the congregation and office staff of Oakwood Church for preparing for and hosting this evening’s event.

We gratefully welcome back to the stage our friends Mrs. Diane Skrobis and the Waukesha Children’s Choir. And, joining us for the first time, we are pleased to have the Hamilton High School Concert Choir and Hamiltones A Cappella Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Marilyn Mascitti. The Waukesha Choral Union is excited to begin our 2019-2020 season and tonight’s performances in collaboration with two of the very finest vocal music programs in the Waukesha-area.

“Melodies of Artistry and Inspiration” will continue in December as we present a Lessons and Carols at First United Methodist in Waukesha, as well as a new venue (for us): All Saints Lutheran in Wales. In March 2020, we return to Carroll University’s Shattuck Hall to collaborate with regional and community choral singers, orchestra and soloists for Handel’s “Messiah.” We will close our season at the University, but in the Humphrey Art Chapel’s acoustic and aesthetic beauty, with A Night at the Theatre featuring songs of the stage and screen.

Thank you so much for joining us for this evening’s event. We are so very grateful to you for your continuing support of the arts in our community. We cannot do what we do without you and your generous patronage. Please enjoy tonight’s performances!

Michael Chapel
WAUKESHA CHORAL UNION
2019-20 Season
“MELODIES OF ARTISTRY and INSPIRATION”

AMERICAN PORTRAITS

Friday, November 1, 2019 – 7:30 pm
Oakwood Church - Hartland, WI

The CHILDREN’S CHOIR OF WAUKESHA

American Folk Songs...............................................................arranged by Aaron Copland

1. Simple Gifts (Shaker Song)
2. The Little Horses (Lullaby)
3. I Bought Me A Cat (Children’s Song)
4. Zion’s Walls (Revivalist Song)
5. Ching-A-Ring Chaw (Minstrel Song)

HAMILTON CONCERT CHOIR

Bright Morning Stars ............................................................ Traditional Appalachian Song
arranged by Shawn Kirchner

Star of Peace............................................................................ Lowell Mason (1792-1972)
text by Jane Cross Simpson (1822-1886)

Sure on this Shining Night......................................................Morten Lauridsen
text by James Agee

All That Hath Life and Breath................................................Rene Clausen
text adapted from Psalms 96 & 22

The WAUKESHA CHORAL UNION

Selections from: Frostiana - Seven Country Songs...............................Randall Thompson
text by Robert Frost

1. The Road Not Taken
5. A Girls’ Garden
6. Stopping By Woods On a Snowy Evening
7. Choose Something Like a Star
HAMITONES A Cappella Choir

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star .................................................................arranged by Daniel Elder
original text by Jane Taylor (1783-1824)

All Star (as an English Madrigal)..........................................................Greg Camp
arranged by Nathan Howe

Where Peace Has Always Been .............................................................Michael John Trotta

Counting Stars .........................................................................................Ryan Tedder

The WAUKESHA CHORAL UNION

The City and the Sea.................................................................................Eric Whitacre (b.1970)
text by e.e. cummings

1. i walked the boulevard
2. the moon is hiding in her hair
3. maggie and molly and milly and may
4. as is the sea marvelous
5. little man in a hurry

Northwest Passage..................................................................................Z. Randall Stroope (b.1953)

1. A Willow by the River (text by William Carlos Williams)
2. Mountains (text by Marjorie Seiffert)
3. The Prairie (text by John Hay)

COMBINED CHOIRS

Hold Me, Rock Me....................................................................................Brian Tate (b.1970)
based on lyrics of traditional spirituals

Thanks to the support of the Wisconsin Arts Board, we are able to continue to bring excellent concert performances to the community.
The Christmas Clearing Council of Waukesha County (CCC) promotes and coordinates giving to families in need during the Christmas season. You can help us make the season brighter for children who might not otherwise experience the joy of the holidays in one of several ways. Please consider sponsoring a family, donating new toys, gift cards or money, organizing community service projects or volunteering with CCC.

Do you know of someone who might benefit from CCC’s services?

To qualify, applicants must:

- Live in Waukesha County
- Have placement of their child
- Meet the income qualifications for the federal free and reduced lunch program
- Attend school in Waukesha County

To apply, the applicant should contact their child’s social worker at school or any other agency with which they work (e.g., WIC, Head Start, Workforce Development). Applications are available now. Deadline to apply is Friday, Nov. 15, 2019.

Important Dates:

**Nov. 15, 2019:** Last day to apply for Christmas assistance through CCC

**Dec. 5, 2019:** Last day to sponsor children his season

**Dec. 11. 2019:** Last day to drop off a new, unwrapped gift in one of our red barrels.

A full list of our toy collection sites can be found at [www.christmasclearingcouncil.org/give-toys](http://www.christmasclearingcouncil.org/give-toys)

For more information on our services, visit www.christmasclearingcouncil.org.
Kjerstin Christensen
Ellie Evans
Marina Evans
Annabel Fisher*
Teresa Gabel
Aiden Gagne
Brooke Hansen
Presley Hansen*
Allie Honl*
Emma Keene
Jordan Keene*
Christian Krawchyk
Emma Lenz
Danielle Longden
Anna Milton*
Eden Rasch
Jenna Schabow
Nina Schabow*
Emilia Streator*
Abby Szolyga*
Melody Wirt*

* High School Women’s Choir

Director – Diane Skrobis
Accompanist – Sarah Milton

Diane Skrobis is the founder/director of the Children’s Choir of Waukesha, a choral program including four choirs spanning grades 1-12 and “The Singing Tree”; a pre-school music and movement program involving parent and child beginning with newborn babies through age six. Diane has taught all ages from pre-school through adult. She has taught in the Whitnall, Waukesha, and Kettle Moraine School Districts as well as at Pius XI High School in Milwaukee and Carroll University in Waukesha. Mrs. Skrobis’ students have sung in local, state, district, and national honor choirs for the past 31 years. Diane has conducted state honor choirs in Wisconsin, Georgia, Mississippi, and Indiana and lectured on children’s choirs and early childhood at Alverno College, Lawrence University, Silver Lake College in Manitowoc, and Carroll University as well as at state and divisional music conferences. Diane’s choirs have sung locally with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, the Waukesha Symphony Orchestra, the Waukesha Choral Union, the Bel Canto Chorus, the Jubilate Chorale as well as at Carnegie Hall in New York City, Canterbury Cathedral in England and throughout southern Germany, France, and Switzerland. Selected students have recorded for the Lorenz Corporation for their music education CD’s. In addition to her CCW choirs, Diane currently teaches at The Augustine Academy in Delafield and at Alverno College in Milwaukee.
HAMILTON CONCERT CHOIR

Bartos, Sydney
Brundage, Isabella
Butscher, Grace
Calmes, Austin
Clark, Adriana
Consiglio, Samantha
Costa, Jonathan
Davila, Joseph
Donnelly, Kaitlyn
Driscoll, William
Drover, Soumaya
Fenner, Sydney
Flynn, Margaret
Fry, Alayna
Gerovac, Sarah
Gomez, Luis
Grana, Jady
Heintz, Ella
Hickling, Ashlin
Holler, Jenna
Jauquet, Zackary
Kienast, Jessica
Kluender, Callen
Korban, Hannah
Krzyston, Lucas
Kurhajec, Anna
Kurucz, Elizabeth
Kurucz, Grace
Lassiter, Tarynn
Leiner, Isabelle
Liedtke, Michael
Lock, India
Lor, Kenneth

Mitchell, Nicholas
Mittelstaedt, Kailey
Moore, Sarah
O’Dwyer, Shannon
Petropoulos, Nikolas
Plechaty, Elijah
Richter, Katelyn
Ross, Peyton
Ruege, Madison
Schlamann, Lauren
Schley, Maeghan
Schmitz, Lauren
Simmons, Catherine
Smolik, Evan
Spoerl, Jacob
Stimson, Mason
Strauss, Nicholas
Strauss, Noah
Stumpf, Olivia
Suneja, Mya
Swan Candler, Dejah
Taylor, Briana
Tennyson, Lauren
Thoms, Lillia
Ullrick, Madeline
Ware, Be
Wenger, Alexandria
Wojciechowski, Alexander
Wroblewski, Logan
Zanon, Trina
Sauceda Pulvermacher, Isabella

knitch

Inspire. Create. Imagine.

We are a full service yarn and fiber arts store, offering classes and a beautiful selection of yarns, fiber, patterns, notions and more.

608 Milwaukee St  Delafield, WI  knit@knitch.net
262-646-9392  www.knitch.net

Bring in this ad for 10% your entire purchase!
Marilyn Mascitti is the director of choral activities at Hamilton High School in Sussex, Wisconsin. Mascitti earned a bachelor’s degree in Music Education from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and a Master’s degree in Music Education from Boston University in 2011. The 2019-2020 year will mark Mascitti’s 13th year as a choral director at Hamilton High School in Sussex, Wisconsin. The HHS Concert Choir, A Cappella Choir, and competitive show choir-Synergy- are under her direction. She also teaches Beginning Piano, Advanced Piano, and Voice Lessons at Hamilton High School, and was the vocal music director for HHS’s annual musical in 2019-20.

Under Mascitti’s direction, Hamilton’s choirs have performed with the Milwaukee Master Singers, Mark Wood’s “Electrify Your Strings” program, and as part of a professional collaboration with the “McCartney Years.” The choirs have also traveled to perform in Disney World, New York, and London – where they walked in the New Year’s Day parade and sang in London’s International Choral Festival.

Accompanist Sarah Plamann graduated from Martin Luther College with a degree in Choral Education and UW-Milwaukee with a Masters of Music in Education. Ms. Plamann currently serves as the Theatre and Cantabile Choir Director for Hamilton High School and is an Elementary General Music Teacher in the district. She has served as an accompanist for various choirs and festivals throughout the Milwaukee and Madison areas, as well as a church organist in Brown Deer. Ms. Plamann has also been a piano and choral adjudicator in the Milwaukee/Madison area for over 10 years.
EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE INFORMED CHOICES

SERVICES

- Information & Assistance
- Long-Term Care Options Counseling
- Aging Services
- Caregiver Support
- Senior Dining & Home Delivered Meals
- Specialized Transportation
- Determination of Financial & Functional Eligibility for WI Long-Term Care Programs
- Adult Protective Services
- Elder & Disability Benefits Counseling
- Health Promotion

ADRC RESOURCES OFFERED AT NO COST!

HOURS
Monday-Friday
8:00am - 4:30pm

LOCATION
Human Services Center
514 Riverview Avenue
Waukesha, WI 53188

CONTACT
(262) 548-7848
adrc@waukeshacounty.gov
Waukesha Choral Union Roster

Michael Chapel, Artistic Director

SOPRANO
Karen Bieszk
Chris Budish
Phyllis Cramer
Carrie Houk
Patricia Hummel*
Makenzie Kojis
Margaret Moyer
Barbara Miller
Allison Nastoff
Carol Slaybaugh
Wendy Stippich
Valerie Tetzlaff
Nancy Ziebell
Phyllisa Zuehlke

ALTO
Nancy Bertram
Melissa Brefka
Mary Carvalho
Mary Beth Ebert
Connie Farrow
Maureen Hair
Annie Hwang
Ann Lambert
Joyce Ann Rathmann
Michele Rinka
Judy Rosynek
Susan Till
Sue Wallenslager
Anne Wandler*

TENOR
Scott Campbell
Ryan Gonzalez
Robert Henderson
Alex Hummel
Paul McCoy
Jacob Strelitzer

BASS
Jake Bergman
Richard Berner
Richard Blauvelt
Charlie Hummel*
Dwayne Krager
Carl Rathmann
Ed Stenzel
Scott Westbrook

* Denotes Section Leader

WCU 2019-2020 Season Leadership Team

OFFICERS
Makenzie Kojis.................................................................President
Anne Wandler.................................................................President-Elect
Barbara Miller...............................................................Treasurer
Susan Wallenslager....................................................Secretary
Tami Cook.................................................................Immediate Past President

DIRECTORS AT LARGE
Alex Hummel                  Mary Beth Ebert                  Robert Henderson
Mondi Hernandez ‡            Michele Rinka                   Wendy Stippich
Maggie Urban ‡               

‡ Denotes Community Non-Singing Member

COMMITTEE HEADS
Allyson Imig............................................................Marketing Director; Ex -Officio
Mary Beth Ebert...........................................................Membership
Anne Wandler............................................................Ad Sales & Development
Mary.................................................................Music Librarian

ADMINISTRATION
Michael Chapel..........................................................Artistic Director; Ex - Officio
Simon Gheller...........................................................Accompanist

Waukesha Choral Union offers significant opportunities for leader involvement and development! Board of director and committee participation is fun, challenging, and rewarding. Speak with any member about being part of the future of Waukesha Choral Union!
WCU PATRONS/CONTRIBUTORS

(Recognizes contributions received from 4/2018- 10/2019)

Maestro ($2500 and above)
The Fred & JoAnn Portz Foundation
On behalf of Karelyn Beck
Barbara Miller
US Bank Foundation Matching Gift Program

Conductor ($1000 to $2499)
Greater Milwaukee Foundation
Michele Rinka
Waukesha County Community Foundation
Wisconsin Arts Board

Soloist ($500 to $999)
Waukesha Rotary Club Charitable Club

Chorister ($250 to $499)
Richard Berner
Richard Berner
In honor of Hattie Berner
US Bank Foundation Dollars for Doing

Patron ($100 to $249)
Armand Carpentier
Cash Contributions
GE Foundation

Accompanist ($25 to $99)
Anonymous
Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser
Mary Carvalho
Tom & Marcia Cook
Matthew C. Emerson
Lillian Genskow
In honor of Norm Goeschkow’s 25 years with WCU

Friends (<$25.00)
Just Giving

DONATE TO WCU

www.choralunion.org
(262) 238-3454
Waukesha Choral Union, PO Box 495, Waukesha, WI 53187

Advertise in our next concert program
Call (262) 238-3454 or email Marketingmanager@choralunion.org

Estate planning
Please consider remembering WCU in your will. There is no better time to say “thank you” for the joyful choral music you have loved for 40+ years! Making your final gift to WCU would help to ensure continued quality performances in your community for years to come. Email President@choralunion.org to discuss this thoughtful donation

Keep us singing by shopping online thought the Amazon Smile Program
Go to www.choralunion.org and click support us/how to support us

Waukesha Choral Union is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your donation may be tax deductible, consult your financial advisor.