



The Vail Chorale

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*One-time presentation of our
Fall 2022 Holiday Concert
(which never took place)*

Saturday, January 7, 2023, 3:00 p.m.

**The Academy Village
Arizona Senior Academy Building
13715 E Langtry Lane, Tucson**

Melissa Hale, Director

Michael Melton, Assistant Director & Accompanist

Donations gratefully accepted

Program

Prelude

- Christmastime is Here..... Vince Guaraldi
- White Christmas..... Irving Berlin, arr. Edwin Sung
(Clarinets: Jaci Howard, Julia Pierce; Piano Michael Melton)
- Personent Hodie (Children's Voices Resound Today - Medieval Carol)
(Drums: Rene Cañez)
- Wexford Carol (12th Century Irish Carol)..... arr. Elaine Hagenberg
(Drums: Rene Cañez)
- La Berceuse (French Christmas Lullaby)..... Barbara Bell; arr. John Rutter
- Ave Maria (Hail Mary) Javier Busto
(Solo: Janet Cañez)

The Vail Choral Tenors and Basses, directed by Michael Melton

- O Magnum Mysterium (O Great Mystery)..... Evan Ramos
- Riu, Riu, Chiu (16th Century Spanish Carol)..... arr. Mateo Flecha the Elder
- Coventry Carol (16th Century English Carol)..... arr. Mike Perdue
- & A La Nanita Nana (19th century Spanish Carol)..... arr. Norman Luboff
(Singers: Julie Dawson, Mindi Bennett, Melissa Hale; Guitar: Mike Perdue)

The Vail Choral Ensemble

- What Child is This? (19th Century English Carol) William Dix;
arr. Ruth Elaine Schram
- Silent, Holy Night..... Joseph Moor, Ken Berg
(Singers: Leslie Nitzberg, Erika Brand, Melissa Hale, Julie Dawson, Mindi Bennett,
Nicole Herington, Bill Smith, Dale Thoreen, Mike DePaso, Dave Ladd;
Clarinets: Jaci Howard,, Julia Pierce)
- Eight Days of Lights (Hannukah Celebration of the Miracle of Lights)
Judith Clurman with David Chase
(Vail Choral Sopranos & Altos)
- Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas..... Hugo Martin & Ralph Blaine
- A Charlie Brown Christmas (Medley)..... arr. Steve Zegree
(Drums: Rene Cañez)
- Winter Wonderland..... Dick Smith, Felix Bernard; arr. Andy Beck
- Carol Sing! (Medley)..... arr. John Leavitt
- Peace, Peace (and on Earth, Peace) Rick & Sylvia Powell; arr. Jay Rouse
- We Wish You a Merry Christmas (Traditional English Carol) arr. J Brown



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The Vail Chorale Singers

Sopranos

Erika Brand
Janet Cañez
Becky Diaz
Jaci Howard
Martie Maierhauser
Jeri McEwen
Leslie Nitzberg
Amy Ramirez

Altos

Mindi Bennett
Julie Dawson
Pamela Hennessey\
Nicole Herington
Jan Lougee
Julia Pierce
Tammy Quinn

Tenors

Lynne Perdue
Dale Thoreen
Bill Smith

Basses

Rene Cañez
Mike DePaso
Dave Ladd
Michael Perdue



Our conductor, Melissa Hale, was involved in music throughout her youth, starting with church choir at the age of 8 and piano lessons at 10. At University of Alabama in Huntsville and Birmingham Southern College, she studied Voice Performance, accompanied the Women's Chorus, and continued singing in the College Choir, the Village Singers, and Music Ambassadors (a scholarship program). She has performed with choirs and ensembles in the U.S., Mexico, Guatemala, and Europe. Melissa served as Assistant Conductor with The Vail Chorale since its inception in 2011.

Our Assistant Conductor and Accompanist, Michael Melton, has been active throughout his career as a conductor, singer, pianist, coach, and teacher. He is recently retired from Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago where he served as Director of Choral Activities and Opera Conductor and taught voice, conducting, diction, and secondary methods. He continues his summer work in Chicago as score reader for video productions of Chicago Symphony Orchestra concerts at the Ravinia Festival. As of this fall, we are delighted to say that he has joined us as Assistant Conductor for The Vail Chorale! His book, *Inspirwe are delighted tossayng Harmony: A Memoir about Leading with Grace*, was published in 2019.

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Who We Are

We are a non-auditioned, multi-generation community chorus, open to anyone age 18 and up who enjoys choral singing. Based in the Greater Vail, Arizona, area, we have been entertaining local audiences since 2011, singing jazz, pop, and folk arrangements, Broadway tunes, Renaissance madrigals, sacred music, and classical gems.

We invite choral singers of all musical skill levels to sing with us! Please go to www.thevailchorale.com to learn how to join us in song. We're looking forward to our Spring 2023 season—keep an eye out for the details.

The Vail Chorale is a member of the Arizona Choral Arts Association (ACAA).



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