

Riverside Jr. High Choral Department Presents:



WINTER CONCERT

Featuring the choral music sounds of:

Golden Harmony Golden Sound
Maroon Men Golden Sensation

Tuesday, December 19th, 2023 – 7:00pm
Riverside Jr. High - Hawk Hall

William Rogers, Director
Emma Ayen, Student Teacher
Naoko Wallace, Accompanist
Amber Phlipot – Choreographer, Assistant Show Choir Director

WINTER CONCERT PROGRAM:

**Please take a moment to silence your devices to avoid interruptions during our performance*

Pre-Concert Performances

Starting at 6:30 and continuing into Concert Program

Adelle Davies & Emerson Trombley – “O Holy Night”

Audrey McElroy – “The First Noel”

Grace Hedeon – “I’ll be Home”

Eleanor Hampshire & Makenzie Haley – “Santa Tell Me”

Leah Dwaram & Miya Tanksley – “Last Christmas”

Annie Heinzmann – “Silent Night”

Monica Worden & Julia Day – “let it Snow”

Combined Choirs

“Winter Wonderland” – *arr. by Andy Beck*

Words and Music by Dick Smith and Felix Bernard

Choreography by: Amber Philipot

Golden Sensation

“Light the Legend” – *Music by: Michael Isaacson*

A Song for Chanukah

Lyric by Susan Nurenberg, Hebrew Lyric by Steven Reuben

“Something Told the Wild Geese” – *Music and additional words by: Andy Beck*

Words by Rachel Field (1894-1942)

Soloists: Claire Lory & Selome Tekle

“Sleigh Ride” – *Arranged by: Kirby Shaw*

Music by: Leroy Anderson

Choreographed by: Eleanor Hampshire, Maddie Melton, & Zoe Rearick

Solos: Hailey Irwin & Libby Lewis

Concert Soloist, Lydia Wilson – “The Christmas Song”

Golden Voices

“Hurling Down the Pine” – *Arranged by: Tim Winebrenner*

Lumberjack Folk Song

“A La Ru” – *Arranged by: John Englert*

Words and Music from: Los Pastores (The Shepherds)

“White Christmas” – *Arranged by: Audrey Snyder*

From the Motion Picture Irving Berlin’s HOLIDAY INN

Soloists: Lucas Grant, Joshua Ritter, Oliver Paul, & Nicholas Pety

Choreographed by: Amber Philipot

Golden Harmony

*Extra-Curricular, Competitive Show Choir
Assisted and Choreographed by Amber Philipot*

(Two Songs from our 5-song "Back to the 80's" competition set)

"I'm Still Standing" – Arranged by: Pete Schmutte

Words and Music by Elton John and Bernie Taupin

"Nine to Five" – Arranged by: Ed Lojeski

Words and Music by Dolly Parton

Soloists: Claire Lory & Emmy Trombley

Combined Choirs

"Carol of the Bells" – Arranged by Peter J. Wilhousky

Concert Soloists, [Nora Edmondson](#), [Lexi VanSelow](#), & [Ellie Wilkins](#) – "Hallelujah"

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"A Festive Noel" – Words and Music by Dave and Jean Perry

"Carry the Light" – Words and Music by: Andy Beck

Soloist: Addy Lee

"Santa Claus is Coming to Town" – Arranged by: Kirby Shaw

Words and Music by Haven Gillespie and J. Fred Coots

Choreographed by: Adelle Davies, Addison Holtsclaw, Kaylin Schultheis

Soloists: Ellie Wilkins & Gabby Brown

Combined Choirs

"I See a Star" – Words and music by: Greg Gilpin

RJH CHOIR MEMBERS:

Riverside Sound

C. NATHANIA ABAIGAE	KATIE FERGUSON	AUDREY MCELROY	KENLEY SLAGLE
J'DA ALLEN	SCARLETT GORDON	LUCY MCGRATH	ELEANOR SMALLWOOD
DARCY BORNEMAN	MAKENZIE HALEY	ZOE MEZZETTA	AVA SNYDER
GABRIELLA BROWN	KYLIE HARRISON	IRRIS MOORE	MALI THOMAS
SIMARA BROWN	GRACE HEDEEN	AMY MORRIS	ISABELLA TODD
LANEY CHRISTENSEN	ELLIANNA HERRING	EVELYN PALMER	EMERSON TROMBLEY
HALLE DANIELS	ADDISON HOLTSCRAW	TORI QUALLS	ABIGAIL VARGO
ADELLE DAVIES	TRINITY JIMPSON	AVA ROBINSON	ELIZABETH WILKINS
BELLA DENNEY	RORY KOLDUS	ISABELLA SALINAS	LYDIA WILSON
NORALEE EDMONDSON	ADELINE LEE	KAYLIN SCHULTHEIS	LAYLA WITNEY-
ADELINE EINHORN	CARLEE LONG	AMELIA SHIELDS	MARSHALL

Riverside Maroon Men

DAVID ANDERSON	LUCAS GRANT	JOSHUA RITTER
DAVID BARRETT	BLY HODA	COOPER RIVERA
LOGAN BLAKE	RISHI KADAKIA	ZAYD SCHUCK
HECTOR CUETO	OLIVER PAUL	ALEXANDER SURRA
	NICHOLAS PETTY	

Golden Sensation

LILLIAN BALLENGER	KELSEY HAWKINS	MIA MILLER	MIYA TANKSLEY
VALERIE CARBAGAL	ANNE MARIE	KEYLIANA MOORE	SELOME TEKLE
CYNTHIA CORREAL-	HEINZMANN	MARY MURPHY	ZOE THOMSON
ROSALES	ISABELLA HOWARD-	ADDISON POWELL	ALEXIS VANSELOW
ELLA DAHL	BROOKS	JULIA PRATER	MIA WAIN
JULIA DAY	HAILEY IRWIN	SHAYLEE PRATER	MADISON WALKER
ALISIA DELUNA	EMILY KELSEY	ZOE REARICK	LILLIAN WEIDNER
DAPHNE DEMOSS	ELIZABETH LEWIS	DAVEYAH ROSS	ASHLEY WITMEIER
LEAH DWARAM	CLAIRE LORY	MARISSA SARACINO	PAYTON WOLF
EMMIE FERGUSON	KELSI MCCLAIN	JOSIE SMALLWOOD	MONICA WORDEN
ALEXANDRA GRAY	AVA MCGRAW	ELLEIGH SMITH	GENEVIEVE ZIINO
ELEANOR HAMPSHIRE	MADILYNN MELTON	MADELINE SMITH	

MISSION OF RJH CHOIR:

1. The primary mission for Riverside Jr. High School Music is to nurture student musical ability through:

Thoughtful rehearsals

Positive and productive teaching

Providing valuable musical experiences

2. While there are many secondary objectives that will also play a vital role in developing well-rounded students and that will connect them with the vision of Riverside Jr. High - using sound as a means to communicate the sentiments embodied in musical works will always be the ultimate focus.
3. Music as an art has a uniquely transformative power over societies worldwide and is often referred to as the world's only common language. We believe that Jr. High students are not too young to begin understanding the meaning of music as art and its place in world culture and history. It is our mission to nurture this understanding through teaching students how to develop their performance abilities and by teaching appreciation of music in diverse cultures and periods.
4. In order for them to develop their abilities, students will be taught how to demonstrate dedication and maturity in regard to their musical development. Dedication because the skills needed to recreate music are both numerous and complex. Maturity because once the musical technical skills are learned, students must possess an open mind in order to understand them and to communicate the meaning of the composer's work.
5. Riverside Jr. High Music Department teachers believe that literacy plays a vital role in the success of musicians. To become a true musician, one must be able to speak, write, and read about music and to obtain musical knowledge and appreciation. Students will engage in activities that encourage them to read, write, and speak about music - enhancing their literacy and content area skills.

ABOUT YOUR TEACHERS:

Will Rogers, Director



Will Rogers is a Jr. high teacher specializing in adolescent development and choral techniques. He graduated Indiana Wesleyan University with a degree in music education with concentration in choral studies and vocal music. During this time, Mr. Rogers served as the president for the collegiate chapter of the National Association for Music Education and was an active performer with the colleges' choirs and opera theater. Additionally, Mr. Rogers has completed graduate work in conducting and a master's degree in education administration from Butler University. Professionally, he has studied alongside numerous accomplished teachers and conductors as well as served on leadership committees for school projects throughout the state. Mr. Rogers began his career in Hamilton Southeastern Schools and is currently the choir teacher at Riverside Jr. High where he was named teacher of the year in 2019. In addition to his role in the classroom, he is an active judge and clinician, directs music-theater students, volunteers for FAIR education, and has organized the American Teacher project. Mr. Rogers is passionate about promoting the value of the arts in student development, sharing with students the joys and versatility of vocal music, as well as developing new and meaningful ways to teach and assess the adolescent singer.

Emma Ayen, Student Teacher



Emma Ayen is excited to be back at Riverside Junior High to complete her student teaching. She is a Fishers native, and over 10 years ago, was actually a Golden Hawk! Emma ended up going to Fishers High School where during her time there, she was a part of Sound and Electrum and fell in love with show choir. She ended up choosing to go to Ohio University to originally study Media Arts and Studies, however, had a change of heart and decided to follow her passion for music and working with children. By the end of this year, Emma will have a degree in Music Education – Choral Emphasis along with her Psychology Minor. During her time at OU, Emma was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi where she held multiple Exec positions, along with being a part of ensembles such as Bella Voce, Choral Union, University Singers and Title IX A Cappella. Miss Ayen is so proud of the students' work ethic over the past couple of weeks and is excited for everyone to see all their hard work come to life on stage!

Amber C.W. Phlipot, Show Choir Asst. Director & Choreographer



Amber C. W. Phlipot graduated from Butler University in 1995 with a Bachelor of Arts in Performing Arts, Vocal Music Concentration, Dance and Theatre minors. She has taught dance for more than 15 years – including ballet, tap, jazz, and musical theatre, before stepping into the role as choreographer for Noblesville Belfry's youth productions of Camp Rock and Honk. She serves as the choreographer and assistant director for Riverside Junior High's Show Choir and also works with choirs at Fishers Junior High. Past performances include roles at Beef and Boards Dinner Theatre, the Ruth Lilly Theatre at the Children's Museum, and Civic Theatre. She can be found performing at Matteo's Ristorante in Noblesville every other Wednesday evening. Amber is married and has four talented children who are all very involved in the performing arts, including Fishers Marching Band, Show Choirs, and Color Guard. Amber enjoys spending much of her time volunteering with various programs and can often be found in the choir costume closets at Fishers High School.

Naoko Wallace, Accompanist



Naoko Wallace was born and raised in the suburbs of Tokyo. She graduated from Musashino Conservatory in Tokyo, going on to complete a master's degree in Piano Performance from The University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. She participated in The Tchaikovsky Piano Competition in Moscow, played as a soloist with numerous orchestras and played around the country as a member of a 5-piano team. Naoko lives in Fishers, and teaches professionally in the area, as well as working as violin/piano duo, accompanist and church musician. She has spent many years working with Mr. Rogers and both Fishers and Riverside Junior High Choirs, and she always looks forward to each concert. She loves spending time with her husband, son and her three spoiled cats.

UPCOMING DATES:

02/03: ISSMA Solo Ensemble Competition

02/03: Show Choir Competition #1

02/09: Arts on the River

02/17: Show Choir Competition #2

02/24: Show Choir Competition #3

03/03: ISSMA Jazz Festival

03/12: Practice ISSMA Concert, 7:00pm

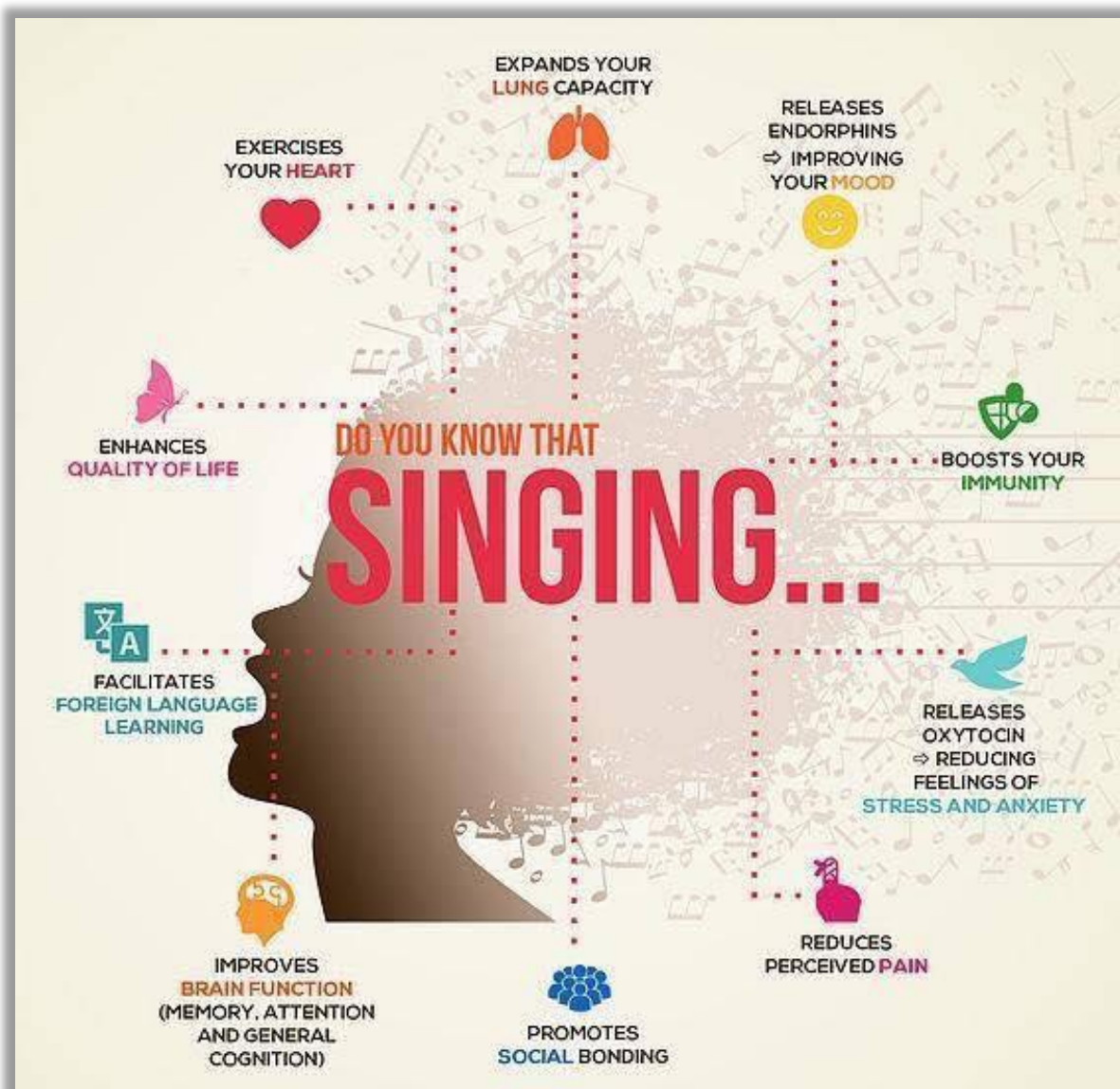
03/16: ISSMA Contest (All Choirs) Time TBD

05/04: Music Department Kings Island Trip

05/15: Spring Concert After-School Rehearsal

05/16: Spring "Pops" Concert

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School events like this one can only occur successfully when there is sufficient investment from our community and parents! Thank you to all who give of their time, – for this event and events in the past – you enrich our choir program and improve the experience for everyone!

Erica Blake

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Frank Saracino



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