The Department of Music

proudly presents

Messiah

George Friderick Handel

Patricia P. Fleitas, Conductor

Robyn Lamp, Soprano Monica Berovides-Hidalgo, Alto David Verdoni, Tenor Matthew J. Daniels, Bass

Florida Atlantic University Chamber Singers

Saturday, December 1, 8 p.m.
University Theatre
FAU Boca Raton Campus



Program

Messiah

George Friderick Handel (1685 - 1769)

from Part the First

Sinfony

"Comfort ye" (accompanied recitative: tenor)
"Ev'ry valley" (air: tenor)

"And the glory of the Lord' (chorus)

"Thus saith the Lord (accompanied recitative: bass)

"But who may abide" (recitative: bass)

"And He shall purify" (chorus)

"Behold, a virgin shall conceive" (recitative: alto)

"O thou that tallest" (air: alto)

"For unto us a child is born" (Chorus)

Pifa

"There were shepherds" (recitative: soprano)

"And lo, the angel of the Lord" (accompanied recitative: soprano)

"And the angel said unto them" (recitative: soprano)

"And Suddenly there was with the angel" (recitative: soprano)

"Glory to God" (chorus)

"Rejoice greatly" (air: soprano)

"Then shall the eyes of the blind' (recitative: alto)

"He shall feed his flock" (duet: alto and soprano)

"His yoke is easy" (chorus)

from Part the Second

"Hallelujah!" (chorus)

From Part the Third

"Worthy is the Lamb" (chorus)

"Amen" (chorus)

Participating Artists



Dr. Fleitas is professor of music and director of choral and vocal studies at Florida Atlantic University. Since her appointment in 1992 her primary goal has been to develop and cultivate all facets of the choral and vocal curriculum and performance ensembles. She conducts the University Chamber Singers, and teaches in the areas of applied graduate and undergraduate voice, applied graduate conducting, undergraduate conducting, and graduate courses in choral literature. Dr. Fleitas was the 2001 recipient of the Florida Atlantic University Faculty Talon Award in recognition of exceptional leadership, commitment,

and service to FAU students. She is also a recipient of the 2003 -2004 award for excellence in undergraduate teaching. Her ensembles have performed throughout Europe, Canada, and the United States. In addition, the FAU Chamber Singers have performed for the Florida Music Educators Association State In-service Conference and the Florida American Choral Directors Association Conference.

Prior to joining the music faculty at Florida Atlantic University, Dr. Fleitas was associate coordinator of choral programs at Texas A&M University, College Station. While at Texas A&M, she founded the Texas Collegiate Women's Choral Festival, an annual event that remains active at the state level. Dr. Fleitas received a Master of Musical Arts and a Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Performance from UT Austin under the tutelage of Dr. Morris J. Beachy. In addition, she holds music education degrees from Florida International University and Barry University in Miami, Florida. Dr. Fleitas is an active choral clinician, adjudicator, and guest conductor. She currently serves on the state board of ACDA as R&S chair for colleges/universities.



Krisztina Kover serves as faculty and collaborative artist in the area of keyboard studies at Florida Atlantic University. Part of her assignment in the Department of Music is to serve as pianist for the university's Chamber Singers and students in the applied voice and graduate conducting studios of Dr. Patricia P. Fleitas. A native of Hungary, Ms. Kover holds a bachelor of music degree in piano performance and music education from the Béla Bartók Music Conservatory of Miskolc University where she graduated summa cum laude. In 2005 she received

the Master of Arts in piano performance with honors from FAU, under the tutelage of Dr. Heather Coltman. She is the recipient of the Graduate Student in EHungary, Austria, Italy, Latvia, Switzerland, the Czech Republic, Germany, Poland, and the United States. Most recently, Kover had the privilege of collaborating as pianist for the 2005, 2006, and 2007 Florida American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) Intercollegiate Honor Chorus at the annual state conferences. She has been invited to be the collaborative pianist for the 2008 Florida Music Educators Association (FMEA) All-State Women's Chorus at the annual In-Service Conference in Tampa, Florida. Ms. Kover maintains an active private piano studio in the South Florida region and has been the assistant director of Teaching Outstanding Performers (TOPS) summer music camps at FAU for three consecutive years.

Participating Artists

Chorus

Edgar Abreu, Catherine Briggs, *Sally C. Brown, Tadeo Castro, Daniel Cruz, Matt Daniels, Olivia De la Garza, Jinon Deeb, Emmanuel Fergile, Kayla Fuce, Scott Gates, *Jonathan Glenn,Omar Gonzalez, Monica Hidalgo, Sumitra Jacobs, Karen Joint, Erin Kennelly, Robyn Lamp, Mauricio Leguizamon, Sarah Merkal, Roseann Moore, Victor Norfus, Guelmys Nunez, Gloria Picillo, +Adam Proenza, David Quant, Kristen Serici, Susan Van Praag, Edward Vandamas, David Verdoni, *John Weatherspoon, Erica Whitaker, James White, Katherine Yarbrough

+Member, FAU Men's Chorus
*Alumni, FAU Choral and Vocal Studies

Orchestra

Violin Laura Miller Erika Venable

Viola Diane Weisberg

Cello Anne Louise Turgeon

Double Bass Anna Klimata-Pietraszko

Oboe Jeff Apana JohnWeisberg

TrumpetDavid Bethea
Alebert Perera

Bassoon Michael DeGregorio

Timpani Dave Markgraf

Organ Krisztina Kover

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Sunday, Dec. 2, 3 p.m. University Theatre Free, \$10 suggested donation Symphony Orchestra, Laura Joella - conductor

Monday, Dec. 17, 8 p.m. University Theatre General Admission \$15 Gareth Johnson, violin; Heather Coltman, piano

Saturday, Jan. 5, 8 p.m. University Theatre General Admission \$15 Klezmer East

Saturday, Jan. 26, 3 p.m. Davie Liberal Arts auditorium General Admission \$15 FAU Chamber Soloists: The Enchanting World of Russian Romance: Natalya Kraevsky, soprano and Leonid Treer, piano.

Saturday, Jan. 26, 8 p.m. University Theatre General Admission \$15 Duo Turgeon

Sunday, Jan. 27, 3 p.m. University Theatre General Admission \$15 FAU Chamber Soloists: The Enchanting World of Russian Romance: Natalya Kraevsky, soprano and Leonid Treer, piano.

Saturday, Feb. 9, 8 p.m. University Theatre General Admission \$15 Duelling Divas - Culture Meets Comedy

Sunday, Feb. 17, 3 p.m. University Theatre Free, \$10 suggested donation Jazz Band, Neal Bonsanti - director

Thursday, Feb. 21, 8 p.m. University Theatre Free, \$10 suggested donation Wind Ensemble and Symphony Band Kyle Prescott and Sean Murray - conductors

Saturday, Feb. 23, 3 p.m. Davie Liberal Arts Auditorium General Admission \$15 FAU Chamber Soloists: Roots of Classical Music -Tribute to Black History Month Student Showcase

Saturday, Feb. 23, 8 p.m. University Theatre Free, \$10 suggested donation Symphony Orchestra with concerto and aria competition winners. Laura Joella - conductor

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