

Grace Notes



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Welcome Christmas

The *University Singers*, *University Chorale*, *Canta Bella* and *Pioneer Mens' Chorus*, under the direction of **Stephen Zork**, presented a choral narrative of the Old Testament prophetic references to the coming Messiah and continued with the New Testament celebration of Christ's ministry on earth. The concert took place on Friday, December 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Howard Performing Arts Center. They presented the 13th Century Plainsong *Of the Father's Love Begotten*, Richter's *Creation*, Stroope's *Psalm 23*, Pelz's *Psalm 121*, Hall's *Universal Song*, Halley's *Laudate Dominum*, Stroope's *Magnificat*, Forrest's *Venite Adoramus*, Nickel's arrangement of *Sweet Little Jesus Boy*, Sandvik's *A Savior is Born Today*, and Archer's *Angels From the Realms of Glory*. The Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of **Claudio Gonzalez** joined forces with the Choirs in Duruflé's *Kyrie* and *Sanctus*, Wilberg's arrangement of *Angels We Have Heard on High*, Susa's *Christmas Garland*, and Nicholas Zork's *When You Come*. Michael Sandvik, Helen Woldemichael, Cristina Piccardi, Marcelo Martins, Monica Pavel Kissinger, Paul Byssainthe, Jr., and Elsy Gallardo were the student conductors. Vocal soloists were Katie Drexler, Natasha Pohlka, Joshua Goines, and Anthony James. Debra Rosengren, flute and Josué Rodríguez, oboe also participated in the concert.

Andrews University Symphony Orchestra

The *Andrews University Symphony Orchestra*, under the direction of **Claudio Gonzalez**, presented their Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 4, at 8:00 p.m., in the Howard Performing Arts Center. The orchestra performed Corelli's *Concerto Grosso in G minor, Op. 6, No. 8*, Chadwick's *Noel from Symphonic Sketches*, and Berlin's *A Symphonic Portrait*. The concert also included repeat performances of the combined choral/orchestral works featured in Welcome Christmas: Duruflé's *Kyrie* and *Sanctus*, Wilberg's arrangement of *Angels We Have Heard on High*, Nicholas Zork's *When You Come*, and Susa's *Christmas*

Jan. 9 Junior Recital: Daniel Mendoza, clarinet
Jan. 9 Second Sunday: Penny Kohns, flute
Feb. 4 Departments of English and Music Vespers

Garland. **Stephen Zork** was the Chorus Master and student conductors were Monica Pavel Kissinger, Paul Byssainthe, Jr., and Elsy Gallardo. Vocal soloists were Joshua Goines and Anthony James.

Fourth International Music Competition

The Fourth International Music Competition (2009-10) will be in Woodwind, Brass and Percussion. The preliminary round/application deadline is February 18, 2010. Applications must be postmarked no later than February 11, 2011. The final round/competition final will be on March 27, 2011. Performers from any country are eligible but must be between the ages of 17 and 27 or currently enrolled in a Master/Undergraduate degree program or High School on March 27, 2011, the day of the final round. To request application forms, repertoire lists, or any other information please contact Carlos A. Flores, Andrews University International Music Competitions director, at 269-471-3555, 269-471-6342, cflores@andrews.edu, or check the DOM website at <http://www.andrews.edu/cas/music/>.

The competition for the next 2 years will be in Piano (2011-2012) and Strings (2012-2013).

Recitals

The following degree recitals took place since the end of last school year:

Graduate Organ: Irene Gavas
Graduate Voice: Nina Menezes
Senior Trumpet: Yves Clouzet
Graduate Saxophone: Olga Boneta
Junior Piano: Gona Choi
Junior Piano: Denny Hong
Graduate Conducting: María Cristina Martínez
Graduate Piano: Olena Rybachok

Junior Clarinet: postponed due to inclement weather

See below for Upcoming Events

Upcoming Events

Feb. 5 Sinfonietta Winter Concert
Feb. 12 Wind Symphony Pops Concert
Feb. 13 Second Sunday: Chi Yong Yun, piano
Mar. 3 AU Music Festival Showcase Recital
Mar. 4 Wind Symphony Vesper Concert
Mar. 5 AU Music Festival Concert
Mar. 5 Faculty Recital: Carla Trynchuk, violin and Trina Thompson, piano
Mar. 6 Symphony Orchestra Young Artist Concert