



# DUPAGE CHORALE

## Sings with Strings



**Patrick O'Shea, Director**

**Dec 7, 2025**

## Welcome to the McAninch Arts Center!



Dear Friends,

It is always a joy to welcome you to the McAninch Arts Center. Each season, our stage becomes a home for extraordinary artistry from around the world, and we are thrilled to share these experiences with you. From unforgettable music and breathtaking dance to thought-provoking theatre and laugh-out-loud comedy, our touring performances bring the very best of the arts right here to DuPage County.

Your presence here is more than just attending a show—it is a celebration of the arts and a vital part of keeping them alive in our community. Every ticket purchased, every standing ovation, and every shared moment in this theater helps us fulfill our mission to make the arts accessible, engaging, and transformative.

As you enjoy today's performance, I encourage you to explore everything the MAC has to offer—from our gallery exhibitions and educational programs to our local and international collaborations. Whether this is your first visit or your fiftieth, we are honored to share this experience with you and look forward to making you feel right at home.

If you enjoy coming to the MAC, the greatest help you can offer us is to share your experiences with friends and neighbors. Word-of-mouth is one of the most powerful ways to keep the arts thriving in our community. If there is anything we can do to make your experience more enjoyable, please do not hesitate to let us know.

We look forward to entertaining you this evening, and we thank you sincerely for your support of the MAC.

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Diana'.

Diana Martinez  
Executive Director  
McAninch Arts Center



## **Music at the MAC**

Welcome to a place where music is performed, studied, explored and shared!

In the McAninch Arts Center at College of DuPage, students and community musicians explore the musical arts, hone their skills, and entertain audiences. You can walk through our hallways and hear the sounds of instrumental and vocal ensembles, private lessons in all instruments and voice, music classes, and performances like the one you are enjoying today.

We hope you enjoy the broad range of music we make with collaborations of eager musicians and experienced faculty in classical, jazz and unclassifiable styles. All of our ensembles welcome new members at the start of every semester and perform regularly.

Music has thrived at COD for over four decades. While faculty, students, and audiences change, we are part of a legacy of music as an essential form of human expression from the very beginning of human life. The primacy of musical expression continues to this day, despite all obstacles.

We hope you enjoy tonight's concert. Drop in on our free Music Fridays @ Noon in MAC 140. Join us on Facebook (AtTheMAC) or join our e-newsletter for news about all the events at the MAC ([www.AtTheMAC.org](http://www.AtTheMAC.org)).

Thank you for joining us for these concerts. Enjoy the music!

**The Music Faculty at College of DuPage**

McAninch Arts Center  
at College of DuPage  
presents

# ***DuPage Chorale Sings with Strings***

**Patrick O'Shea, Director**  
**William Buhr, Accompanist**

*In an effort to support our students, \$2 of each ticket  
goes to the John Belushi Scholarships for Music Students*

Sunday, Dec. 7, 2025  
Belushi Performance Hall, 7:30 p.m.



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## PROGRAM

*Misericordias Domini*, K. 222 ..... Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart  
(1756-1791)

*Die Nacht*, Op. 56 ..... Josef Gabriel Rheinberger  
(1839-1901)

*Angelus Choral Suite* ..... Paul Barker  
(b. 1966)

I. Angelus Domini

II. Sancta Maria

III. Spiritu Sancto

*A Prayer of St. Anselm*\* ..... Patrick M. O'Shea  
(b. 1967)

\* World premiere of string version.

## INTERMISSION

*String Quartet in G Major* (1929) ..... Florence Beatrice Price  
(1887-1953)

II. Andante Moderato

*La Alborada de la Esperanza* ..... José L. Elizondo  
(b. 1972)

*Mira el Sol* ..... José L. Elizondo

*Dreams and Dances* ..... Gwyneth Walker  
(b. 1947)

I. Bones Be Good

II. Some Dreams Hang in the Air

III. Let There Be New Flowering



# Want to Help Support COD Music Students?



The College of DuPage Foundation has started a new initiative fund for music students who can't afford private lessons. Stop by the Box Office for more information or call the COD Foundation at (630) 942-2462 to make a donation.

No donation is too small.

Thank you for your consideration.

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## **Misericordias Domini**

(Latin Offertory, Psalm 89:2)

Of the Lord's mercies, I will sing forever.

## **Die Nacht** (Joseph von Eichendorff)

How lovely it is here to dream away  
the night in the quiet woods,  
when in the dark trees  
the old fairy-tales echo.

The mountains stand shimmering in  
the moonlight  
as if deep in thought,  
and through the tangled  
undergrowth  
the stream rambles, lamenting.

For wearily upon the meadow,  
Beauty walks now to her rest,  
and with cool shadows  
Night covers up the dear one.

There is an eerie lament  
in the quiet splendor of the wood:  
the nightingales sing  
about her the entire night.

The stars rise and set --  
When will you come, morning wind,  
and lift the mists again  
from the dreaming child?

There is already a rustling in the  
trees,  
The lark will awaken soon --  
Thus would I like faithfully to dream  
away  
The night in the quiet woods.

## **Angelus Suite**

### **I. Angelus Domini**

The angel of the Lord announced to Mary:  
The Lord is with you. Hail Mary.  
Behold the handmaid of the Lord.  
Hail Mary.

### **II. Sancta Maria**

Holy Mary, full of grace.  
Blessed are you among women.  
Mother of God, Holy Mary.  
Full of Grace, Holy Mary.

### **III. Spiritu Sancto**

By the Holy Spirit, Ah, Mary.  
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.



### **A Prayer of St. Anselm**

O my God teach my heart where and how to seek you, where and how to find you...

You are my God and you are my All and I have never seen you.

You have made me and remade me,

You have bestowed on me all the good things I possess,

Still I do not know you...

I have not yet done that for which I was made...

Teach me to seek you...

I cannot seek you unless you teach me

or find you unless you show yourself to me.

Let me seek you in my desire, let me desire you in my seeking.

Let me find you by loving you, let me love you when I find you.

Amen.

### **La Alborada de la Esperanza**

(Rafael Z. Flores, sung in Spanish)

Wake up and pray

for a new era of peace

that brings us hope

to leave darkness behind. After all the sorrows,

the light of love shall finally bring about joy.

So long have you wept my brother!

So many burdens have you carried in your heart! Troubles and rejections,

sadness and sorrows

that leave scars in your soul.

I know!

But don't allow yourself to falter.

Don't allow your soul to lose its flight. Halt your tears and look up to the sky. A

new day is breaking.

Let us sing to the sun of dawn.

The day of hope has finally come.

The path that leads us to truth.

The nascent harmony of the light of freedom.

Love, forgiveness, faith and hope.

Our love and compassion shall be our strength. Brother, join this song,

and you shall see the dawn of a new day.

This shall be the day of peace!

## TEXT AND TRANSLATIONS

### **Mira el Sol**

(Patricio Mendez, sung in Spanish)

Look at the sun  
over all creation!  
So many blessings from God! Light that overflows love.

Brotherhood  
of all mankind.  
So much to be thankful for!

Awaken,  
arise and go.  
Sow as you walk, without looking back. With faith  
everything will grow.

Wake up,  
take my hand and come with me. Join in singing "Glory."  
In God,  
our singing is so amplified.

So much happiness  
that it's impossible to hold back! My soul is ready.  
I have opened my heart to God.

In His hands I feel safe.  
In His house I have my nourishment.

With Him, in the meadows  
the lion and sheep play together. And before dawn,  
stars shine brightly  
like that time.

What prosperity!  
I have more than I sought. So much to be thankful for! I have already much to  
give.

Let us share the good news, announcing it from the rooftops.

With Him, the sea is calm, my North Star a clear map. And the breeze as it passes,  
recites immemorial wisdom.

Look at the sun  
over all creation!  
So many blessings from God! Light that overflows love.

Brotherhood  
of all mankind.  
So much to be thankful to God for!

***Dreams and Dances***

**I. Bones Be Good** (Lucille Clifton)

i beg my bones to be good  
but they keep clicking music  
and i spin in the center  
of myself, a foolish frightful  
woman  
moving my skin against the wind  
and tap dancing for my life.

**II. Some Dreams Hang in the Air**  
(Lucille Clifton)

some dreams hang in the air  
like smoke. some dreams  
get all in your clothes and  
be wearing them more than you do and  
you be half the time trying to  
hold them and half the time  
trying to wave them away.  
their smell be all over you and  
they get to your eyes and  
you cry. the fire be gone  
and the wood but some dreams  
hang in the air like smoke  
touching everything.

**III. Let There Be New Flowering**  
(Lucille Clifton)

let there be new flowering  
in the fields let the fields  
turn mellow for the men  
let the men keep tender  
through the time let the time  
be wrested from the war  
let the war be won  
let love be  
at the end



## PERSONNEL

### DUPAGE CHORALE

**Patrick O'Shea, Director**

**William Buhr, Accompanist**

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Jackie Duffy-Hook  
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Rika Seko  
Carmen Abelson

#### Cello

Steven Houser  
Margaret Daly

#### Violin 2

Sam Battista  
Kjersti Nostbakken

#### Bass

Grace Heintz

#### Viola

Becky Coffman  
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## PROFILES



**Dr. Patrick O'Shea** (Director) holds the degree of Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Music from Arizona State University, Master of Music degree in Choral Music from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Bachelor of Music degree, *summa cum laude*, in Vocal Performance from Shenandoah Conservatory in

Winchester, Va. His composition teachers have included the late Russell Woollen, as well as Thomas Fredrickson and Randall Shinn. He has served frequently as a clinician and adjudicator, and has been commissioned to write new works, particularly for choral and chamber music ensembles. Dr. O'Shea is a member of the American Choral Directors Association, the American Society of Composers Authors and Publishers, American Composers Forum, and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia music fraternity.



Enjoying a national reputation as an accompanist, chamber musician, adjudicator and clinician, **William Buhr's** work as a collaborative pianist has taken him to performing engagements in over thirty countries on six continents. Buhr has served on the accompanying staff of the Chicago Symphony Chorus at the invitation of founder/director Margaret Hillis, and has accompanied

James Levine, Michael Tilson Thomas, Yo-Yo Ma, June Anderson, Berndt Weikl and others at the Ravinia Festival. He has also worked with Stephen Sondheim, Patti LuPone, Audra McDonald and Cerveris in the Ravinia Festival productions of *Sunday in The Park with George* and *Anyone Can Whistle*.

Holding degrees from the University of Illinois and DePaul University, Mr. Buhr has appeared in many international festivals as well as numerous national and regional conventions of major musical and educational organizations. Mr. Buhr has served on the faculty of the Choral Music Experience Institute for Choral Teacher Education with Doreen Rao since its inception in 1986, and has played for the national touring companies of numerous Broadway musicals including *Showboat*, Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, and *The Phantom of the Opera*. He has served as the accompanist of the New Classic Singers since 1986, and has enjoyed an association with Anima - Young Singers of Greater Chicago (formerly the Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus) since 1984.





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## Your Gift to the MAC

- Brings nationally and internationally renowned artists to our community
- Supports our SchoolStage program that annually offers affordable arts experiences to thousands of schoolchildren
- Provides students and community members the opportunity to interact with artists
- Enhances quality of life in our community

Without the generous support of the Friends of the MAC, we would not be the beacon for the arts in DuPage County. We gratefully thank our friends, and we invite others to join them.

## Arts Center and MAC-tastic Treat Seats Endowments

Donor may choose to direct gifts to the Arts Center Endowment or the MAC-tastic Treat Seats – Tickets for Kids & Families Endowment. Donations made to these MAC Endowments, our “savings accounts,” go into principal secured, invested accounts that will provide ongoing support for arts programs and arts accessibility for years to come.

The McAninch Arts Center and the College of DuPage Foundation can also provide you with information on planned giving options, gifts of stock, IRA Charitable Rollovers and other giving opportunities.

**For complete details, visit the MAC Box Office or  
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(630) 942-3088 or [foundation@codfound.org](mailto:foundation@codfound.org).**

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