

**RYC • UPCOMING EVENTS**

- December 11** Vocina and Bella Voce at Wesley Homes, Lea Hill, Auburn 5:30pm
- December 12** Colla Voce, Salty's on Alki, 7pm, Society of Port Engineers party
- December 17** Consonare to Leavenworth Festival of Lights
- December 18-January 2** Winter break
- January 6** Mini-retreats: CS, CV and BV
- April 21** RYC Season Concert, "The Journey ..." 3pm
- May 19** RYC Season Concert, "Beyond Borders" 3pm
- May 25-26** Bella Voce and Colla Voce to Fort Worden Children's Choir Festival
- June 2** Vocina to Music in the Parks Festival, Federal Way
- June 4** Friends and Family Concert/Awards



**Auditions for RYC 2017-2018 Season**  
Sept 2017 – Jun 2018

**Auditions for January enrollment are now being scheduled. Grades 2-12.**  
*Rehearsals — Mondays at Cedar Heights MS, Covington*

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**PROGRAM NOTES**

This Little Babe is a poem by a 16th century English Jesuit priest Robert Southwell, said to be influenced by Shakespeare and Donne. Here, Southwell portrays the story of Jesus's birth as a 'sneak attack on the forces of evil.' Who would expect God to send an impoverished *baby* to vanquish Satan?

This little Babe so few days old is come to rifle Satan's fold;  
All hell doth at his presence quake, though he himself for cold do shake;  
For in this weak unarmed wise, the gates of hell he will surprize.

With tears he fights and wins the field, his naked breast stands for a shield;  
His battering shot are babish cries, his arrows looks of weeping eyes.  
His martial ensigns Cold and Need, and feeble Flesh his warrior's steed.

His camp is pitched in a stall, his bulwark but a broken wall;  
The crib his trench, haystacks his stakes; of shepherds he his muster makes;  
And thus, as sure his foe to wound, the angels' trumpets alarum sound.

My soul with Christ, join thou in fight, stick to the tents that he hath pight.  
Within his crib is surest ward, this little Babe will be thy guard.  
If thou wilt foil thy foes with joy, then flit not from this heavenly Boy.

**Come Hear  
the Rainier  
Chorale**

**7:30 PM Tonight  
& 2 PM Tomorrow**  
@ Kent United  
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**Join Us For the Rest of Our Season**



**Masterworks—March 25**

**Sentimental Journey  
Pops Concert—June 9 & 10**

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*This list reflects donations and pledges received since July 1, 2017. We regret any errors or omissions. Please contact RYC with your corrections.*

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Rainier Chorale,  
established 1983  
Rainier Youth Choirs,  
established 2007

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## RAINIER YOUTH CHOIRS • STAFF

**LEORA SCHWITTERS, Artistic Director/ Founder, Director, Young Women's Ensemble, Consonare and Colla Voce**, retired from Cedar Heights Middle School (Kent) after 25 years of teaching K-12 choral, instrumental, and general music in the public schools of South Dakota, Wyoming and Washington. As Past-President of the Washington State American Choral Director's Association (WA-ACDA), she received their 2014 Leadership Award...

**KAREN FULMER, Executive Director**, retired from Sumner School District after teaching choral music for 31 years at the junior high and high school levels and serving as district Music Coordinator. Serving as national Vice President of the 20,000-member ACDA, Karen previously held offices of Washington State and Northwestern Division president. She was named the 1997 Washington State Teacher of the Year for all subject areas...

**BRIAN HOSKINS, Director, Young Men's Ensemble, Consonare**, choral director at Nelsen Middle School and Lindbergh High School in Renton. Brian is to be presented with the 2018 Outstanding Music Educator Award by WMEA in February. He is a two time recipient of the "Ahead of the Class: Excellence in Teaching Award" presented by the Renton Chamber of Commerce. Brian was the Intermediate Chorus Conductor for the Young People's Chorus (YPC) of New York City...

**AMY BALLARD, Director, Bella Voce**, choral director at Bonney Lake HS in Sumner School District. Mrs. Ballard regularly judges large group and solo/ensemble contests throughout the state and sings with the Tacoma Symphony Chorus. In 2010, she received recognition as the "Most Outstanding Young Choral Educator of the Year" by the Washington State ACDA. She is currently the President for the Valley Region WMEA and the NW ACDA Women's Honor Choir Chair...

**KAREN MARTIN, Director, Vocina**, general music specialist at Kent Elementary; runs the KE Music Academy – an after school music program for students, staff and parents – providing instruction and performance in steel drums, mariachi, musical theater, choir, piano and guitar. Conductor of the Evergreen Women's Chorale in Kent for almost 30 years...

**LORI MCEWEN, Lead Accompanist, Consonare, Colla Voce**, in high demand throughout the region for her fine piano skills; accompanies school choirs, vocal and instrumental soloists, and at Fairwood UMC; studied piano and voice at CWU...

**MARY KAYE OWEN, Accompanist, Bella Voce**, has taught piano at The Red Door Music Studio in Renton for 25+ years. Nationally Certified Teacher of Music, specializing in Piano; past president of Washington State MTNA; Senior High Coordinator for the MTNA Performance Competitions...

For more information about our amazing staff:



<http://www.rainieriouthchoirs.org/about-ryc/staff.html>

## RAINIER YOUTH CHOIRS • MEMBERS

### Vocina

*Karen Martin, Director • Mary Kaye Owen, Accompanist*

Catalina Bolstad	Adalae Jones	Zechariah Neuneker
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Arwen Forsythe	Aryanna Lombard	Elijah Tomas
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### Bella Voce

*Amy Ballard, Director • Mary Kaye Owen, Accompanist*

Alaina Barnhart**	Olivia Johnson**	Stina Rude**
Rebecca Bock	Hanna Kelley	Kenna Samples
Scarlett Buchonis	Maryn King	Ashley Shea
Kaleb Buttenhoff	Journey Madison	Camryn Singer
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Chloe Duskin	Ryan Monsen**	Belle Stafford
Astrid Forsythe**	Bradi Nickila	Ryan Templeton
Juliana Jepson	Ann O'Keefe	

### Colla Voce

*Leora Schwitters, Director • Lori McEwen, Accompanist*

Brooke Bennett	Carter Hickok**	Bernice McKee**
Brady Buttenhoff	Macy Hirota**	Eleanor Robinett**
Olivia Duskin**	Lauren Huserik	Maddy Shivitz
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### Consonare

*Brian Hoskins & Leora Schwitters, Directors • Lori McEwen, Accompanist*

Christina Brighton	Emi Heinz	Mia Richards
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### Instrumental

Kim Rendle, Flute  
 Anne Rendle, Violin  
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 Bill McEwen, Guitar  
 Matt Garcia, Percussion

# LOOK TO THE STARS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2017, 3:00PM | NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Processional

Hodie Christus Natus Est ..... Anonymous  
 "Today Christ is born, today the Savior appears. Glory to God in the highest!"

## Consonare

We Three Kings ..... arr. Darmon Meador  
 Sponsored by Andy and Lisa Sweet

Bright Morning Stars .....arr. Shawn Kirchner  
 Traditional Appalachian Song In Memory of Stella Little

## Audience

O Come, All Ye Faithful ..... John F. Wade, (C. 1710-1786)  
 O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
 O come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem;  
 Come and behold him, born the King of angels,  
 O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!  
 Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
 O sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
 Glory to God, all glory in the highest;  
 O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

## Vocina

A Wenceslas Canon .....arr. Andy Beck  
 Traditional English Carol lyrics

A Festival of Lights ..... Tom Anderson

## Bella Voce

Starlight, Starbright ..... Pete Seeger/Brumfield  
 Sponsored by Bonita Migliore  
 Solos: Chloe Duskin and Camryn Singer, Kenna Samples, Ashley Shea,  
 Cora Mallory, Astrid Forsythe

The Dinner Bell Carol..... Leontovych/Kern  
 Sponsored by Dr. Joel Rude Family Dentistry, Maple Valley  
 Sound effects: Ryan Templeton, Journey Madison, Bradi Nickila

## Bella Voce and Colla Voce

Do You Hear What I Hear? ..... Regney & Shane, arr. Crocker  
 In Memory of Lauren Huserik's grandmothers, Irene and Rosemary

## Colla Voce

Estrella Brillante (Brilliant Star) ..... arr. Nancy Grundahl  
 Traditional Mexican Carol

This Little Babe ..... Benjamin Britten  
 see Program Notes p. 1, from "A Ceremony of Carols"

Al Shlosha ..... Allan Kaplan  
 "The world is sustained by three things, by truth, by justice, and by peace."

Carol of the Bells ..... Leontovytch/Wilhousky

## Audience

Joy to the World .....G. F. Handel (1685-1759)  
 Joy to the world! The Lord has come; Joy to the world! The Savior reigns:  
 Let Earth receive her King! Let men their songs employ,  
 Let e'vry heart prepare Him room, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
 And heav'n and nature sing! Repeat the sounding joy.

## Young Women

Ding-a-Ding-a-Dong ..... Greg Gilpin

## Young Men

White Christmas..... Irving Berlin/Snyder  
 Sponsored by Davis Piano Service  
 Soloists: Jonathan Zosel, Duane Davis, Barrett Rendle

## Consonare

Still, Still, Still..... arr. Norman Luboff  
 Sponsored by Amy O'Donnell-Riley

The Work of Christmas .....Dan Forrest  
 Sponsored by Amelia Higgins

We Wish You a Merry Christmas .....arr. Paul Johnson

## Alumni Favorites

God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen ..... arr. Keith Christopher  
 19th Century Traditional English Carol

You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch..... Albert Hague, arr. Funk  
 Lyrics by Dr. Seuss Sponsored by Piano Artistry Studio

## Audience

Jingle Bells ..... James Pierpont

## All Groups Combined

A Moonlight Sleigh Ride .....Don Besig and Nancy Price  
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