

Central Washington University Department of Music presents:

CWU Choirs

A Breeze of Fall

University Chorale Prof. Vijay Singh, *conductor*

Vox Divina Dr. Nicole C. Lamartine, *conductor*

Wildcat Chorus Dr. Scott Peterson, *conductor*

CWU Chamber Choir Dr. Nicole C. Lamartine, *conductor*

Jerilyn S. McIntyre Music Building Wayne S. Hertz Concert Hall Sunday, November 19, 2023 4:00 PM

Program

University Chorale Prof. Vijay Singh, conductor Gavin Ma, collaborative pianist

O Mistress Mine

The Seal Lullaby

Gyorgy Orban

Eric Whitare

Jou-Jou

A Maiden Is In A Ring

R. Murray Schafer

Hugo Alfven

Vox Divina Dr. Nicole C. Lamartine, conductor **Gavin Ma & Emmeline Baldwin**, collaborative pianists

We Are a Circle

Rick Hamouris Arr. Joan Szymko

Anya DeGroot, Faye Lu, and Kerensa Red Bow, percussion

Little Bird

Nicole Lamartine

Does the World Say?

Kyle Pederson

Samantha Staab and Alyssa Acob, soloists Bethany Olson, violin

Arirang

Traditional Korean Arr. Hyo-Won Woo

Anya DeGroot and Faye Lu, percussion

Wildcat Chorus Dr. Scott R. Peterson, conductor Nathan Ortiz, collaborative pianist

Ad Astra

Mis on inimene?

Let Me Bend Your Ear

Vive L'Amour

CWU Fight Song

Jacob Naverud

Pärt Uusberg

Vijay Singh

Alice Parker & Robert Shaw

CWU Chamber Choir Dr. Nicole C. Lamartine, conductor Dr. Issac Vargas, collaborative pianist

"Creating Our Future"

Bogoroditse Devo

...Rejoice, for thou hast born the Saviour of our souls

Ara Lee Arr. Ethan Sperry

Arvo Pärt

Moira McGregor, Sofie Strandjord, and Trevor Patnode, solos Anya DeGroot, Kerensa Red Bow, and Jeff Ludlow, percussion

For the Future

Andrew Maxfield

...we create a place of safety for others

Bethany Olson, violin Thomas Ortega, cello

Pure Imagination

Leslie Bricusse/Anthony Newley Arr. Matthew Nielsen ...living there, you'll be free, if you truly wish to be

Chichester Psalms

Leonard Bernstein

Mvt. 1, "Ura hanevel" (Psalm 108, vs. 2 and Psalm 100)

... goodness and truth endureth to all generations

Aho

Personnel

Vox Divina

Samantha Staab Lynn Patterson Alex Dominguez-Santiago Lexi James Melanie Santana Victoria Arneson-Saunders Olivia Holloway Lupita Cruz DJ Kaija Anna Grushevskly Faith Nolander June Kingery Mariana Benitez Hope Cox Jessica Brown Fynn Alston Arlette Villalobos Cate Edelen Sarah Seevers Corinne Avis Kailee E Chen Ruby Barnes Mac Lynn Sherman Alex Morris Rebecca Wright Anya Degroot Emmeline Baldwin Alyssa C Acob Monica Gonzalez Emma Pearl Tranum Bethany Olson Corinne Williamson Faye Lu Aspen Lillywhite

Chamber Choir

Soprano

Sofia Strandjord Moira McGregor Anna Grushevskly Juliana Lind Camille Brennan Miranda Wojciechowicz

Tenor

James Kirkham Jared McDonald Declan Brennan JT Durham Luke Echeverria Jakob Kennicutt Kupono Ling

Alto

Nicole Loveless Velia Saldivar Sophie Otness Morgan Lenz Mackenzie Turner Kristina Svistunov Corina Cervantes **Bass**

V Villanueva Jaykub Willis Nico Benabid Jared Loveless Trevor Stowell Evan Delmendo Trevor Patnode Andrew Gomes

University Chorale

Ashley Both Luca Castillejo Jessica Cosmos Jay Crisp Indigo Derousie Mulholland Dunlap Jillian Evans Caleb Fichtner Nate Fodge Kiko Gomez Gabriel Haberman Kailey Henry Nicole Horne Lexi James DJ Kaija Caitlyn Lenners Aspen Lilywhite Rafael Lua Tiago Nugent Wyatt Patten

Kyra Ross Melanie Santana Isamar Sotelo Alex Brekke Stevahn Trevor Stowell Ryn Sullivan Ryan Taylor-Schmidt Harvey Wolney Crinee Avis Allison Blakenship Devon Brown William Campbell Nate Crites Finn Doherty Genesis Duran Luke Echeverria Jonathan Edwards Kamron Emery Patricia Fehling Jenna Grinnell

Ethan Harris Edgar Higgins Judy Kuo Carmella Mccracken Meredith Montgomery Eze Odimba Trevor Patnode Isaac Solis Calia Stodden Alonso Torres Sergio Valdez Emily Wall Wyatt Webberley

Wildcat Chorus

Jonathan Edwards Luke Echeverria Jakob Kennicutt James Kirkham Oscar Osorio Carter Bowlin Gabriel Frank Aali Kerow Rafael Morales-Velez Elijah Orosco Allen Tang Steve Wenger Kael Bartness Thomas Bellah William Campbell

Alex Godwin Andrew Gomes Edgar Higgins Jared Loveless Wyatt Patten Doug Snyder Harvey Wolney Collin Brown Brandon Gaudet Ryan Harman Soren Lundquist Ryan Taylor-Schmid Charles Tetreault V Villanueva Nathan Ortiz

About CWU Choirs

University Chorale is the largest mixed choral ensemble at CWU open to all students without audition. Founded by Scott Peterson as a graduate teaching assistant in 1974, Chorale has become a destination ensemble for all students who love to sing regardless of major area of study. Prof. Vijay Singh has directed the Chorale since 1999 and emphasizes building musicianship, teaching vocal technique, commitment to excellence, and varied entertaining programming.

Vox Divina creates beauty in community by performing music infused with expression to inspire the lives of all audience members. As a non-auditioned treble choir, our members range from brand-new singers to pre-service music education majors. We strive to bring breadth and depth of musical experience: the ensemble provides new singers with music literacy and a foundation of strong vocal technique, while music education majors receive leadership opportunities. The choir sings a variety of musical styles from cultures around the world and is under the leadership of CWU Director of Choirs, Dr. Nicole Lamartine.

The CWU Wildcat Chorus is as ensemble for any CWU tenor and bass student who would like to sing. The "Wildcatters" are non-auditioned. They are an energetic group which fosters a team attitude and works to be a support group for the members as well. We generally sing a program of music styles taken from the traditions of the tenor/bass choral canon. The Wildcat Chorus has appeared at two Washington Music Educators Association conferences and at a NW Division Conference for the American Choral Directors Association in Seattle. This is "Dr. P's" eleventh year as director. He is also Artistic Director and Conductor of Canticus Vocal Ensemble. The CWU Chamber Choir is the flagship choral ensemble at Central, representing excellence in vocal talent, musicianship, and professionalism. This SATB ensemble focuses on innovative programming - including premieres, commissions, and guest artists - to create a concert experience of exploration and intention. With a tradition of excellence spanning several decades, the CWU Chamber Choir is under the conducting leadership of Director of Choirs, Dr. Nicole C. Lamartine. The members represent the highest level of singing musicians at Central, including vocal performance and music education students.

The Conductors



Dr. Nicole Lamartine Director of Choirs 509-963-1616 Nicole.Lamartine@cwu.edu

As Director of Choirs at Central Washington Univeristy, Dr. Nicole Lamartine acts on her values of empowering the next generation of choral educators and cultivating excellence in 21st century choral performance.

As a clinician and guest conductor of three international honor choirs (DoDDS Honor Choir in Germany, AMIS TTBB

Honor Choir in Abu Dhabi, TAISM Festival Choir in Oman), nine All-State choirs (MN, CO, WA, OR, WY, MT, AK, KS), the 2014 NW ACDA TTBB Honor Choir, and dozens of regional honor choirs, Nicole seeks to positively impact choral musicians all over the world. She is slated to conduct All-State choirs in ID, MT, and NM in 2024-5.

An avid champion for music education, Nicole has headlined conferences of the Association for Music in International Schools (Hong Kong) and the Washington Music Educators Association. in February, 2023, she will headline the 8th Costa Rica Seminar on Choral Conducting in San Jose, Costa Rica.

Dr. Lamartine's research focuses on rehearsal technique and anatomy and movement for conductors, and she has presented at dozens of conferences including national and regional meetings of the American Choral Directors Association, the National Collegiate Choral Organization, College Music Society, California All-State Music Conference, and the National Association of Teachers of Singing.

From 2020-2022, Dr. Nicole Lamartine served as the Sorensen Director of Choral Music at the University of California, Santa Barbara, where she conducted the flagship UCSB Chamber Choir, integrated relevance into graduate choral studies at the MM and DMA levels, and taught studio conducting and voice. As Professor and Director of Choral Activities at the University of Wyoming from 2008-2020, she led the Collegiate Chorale, The UW Singing Statesmen and the Happy Jacks, and taught conducting and studio voice. Her choirs were honored to sing at several national and regional conferences (2020 NW ACDA, 2017 NW NAfME, 2015 NW NAfME, 2012, NW ACDA, 2011 NCCO, 2011 NW MENC), and she is a recognized expert in females conducting tenor/bass choirs. She won the Ellbogen Award for Meritorious Classroom Teaching, the university's highest teaching award.

Dr. Lamartine has enjoyed abundant opportunities to commission and premiere new works from leading composers such as Craig Hella Johnson, Libby Larsen, Jennifer Higdon, Gerard Schwarz, Forrest Pierce, Gabriela Lena Frank, John Muehleisen, and Karen Thomas.

She conducts Chor Anno with Howard Meharg (Vancouver, WA), providing an opportunity for a creative outlet as ensemble singers to choral music educators in the NW. Chor Anno performed at the 2022 NW ACDA conference. She is also the founding Artistic Director of the Santa Barbara Gay Men's Chorus, which just completed its first season.

An active performer, Dr. La has sung professionally with Conspirare, the Santa Fe Desert Chorale, and Colorado Bach Ensemble. She has served the American Choral Directors Association as President of the Northwestern region. She achieved world, national, and state records in powerlifting, demonstrating that creativity is intertwined with strength of body and mind. The "Nicole Lamartine Choral Series" is published with Santa Barbara Music Press and focuses on accessible music for emerging Tenor-Bass choirs.



Professor Vijay Singh Vijay.Singh@cwu.edu

Vijay Singh is an active performer, composer, teacher, conductor, and clinician residing in Ellensburg, Washington where he is Professor of Music at Central Washington University. A graduate of Willamette University (B. M. Ed/Clarinet & Voice) and Portland State University (Masters in Choral Conducting/Vocal Performance), he has rapidly gained international attention for his eclectic musical compositions, performances,

workshops, and conducting appearances. Vijay's teaching experiences have included work at public secondary schools, community college, and university levels. He currently teaches choral arranging, jazz pedagogy, directs the University Chorale, and award-winning CWU Vocal Jazz 1, and oversees the vocal jazz program (3 jazz choirs). Vijay's student ensembles at CWU have been honored as some of the finest in the nation with invitations to perform at prestigious national IAJE, JEN, MENC, and ACDA conventions. As a composer, Vijay writes for all levels in both the classical choral and jazz idioms. His compositions (over 180 published) are widely available from a number of publishers and he often writes on commission for some of North America's finest ensembles. Vijay's "MASS with Orchestra" received it's world premiere at Lincoln Center in New York City May 30th, 2011. An active performer, Vijay has appeared as featured bass-baritone soloist with such notable groups as Male Ensemble Northwest, Choral Cross Ties, the Oregon Symphony, the Robert Shaw Chorale, David Byrne (Talking Heads), Clark Terry, the Disciples of Groove, and as a member of the awardwinning a cappella jazz quartet Just 4 Kicks. He has appeared in professional opera and musical theatre productions, and maintains an active career in oratorio, recital, and contemporary music. Vijay served 4 years as National Repertoire and Standards Chair for Jazz Choirs in the American Choral Director's Association and is in demand as a guest conductor of AllState and Honors choirs. He has conducted All-State choirs in over 26 states and has the distinction of conducting both All-State Concert Choirs and Jazz Choirs within the same year. Vijay has served as adjudicator/jurist at international festivals in Canada, the Netherlands, Germany, and the United States. The recent recipient of a 16th ASCAP Composer's Award, Vijay is also a member of ACDA, NAfME, JEN, ASCAP, and the National Association of Teachers of Singing. Vijay was honored with CWU's highest faculty award, the Distinguished University Professor for Artistic Achievement, in 2011-12.



Dr. Scott Peterson Scott.Peterson@cwu.edu

In the fall of 2012, Scott Peterson returned to his alma mater to conduct the CWU Men's Choir as an adjunct professor.

He retired in June, 2012, from Yakima Valley Community College after 36 successful years as Director of Choral Activities. While at YVCC, Dr. Peterson conducted the Concert

Choir and Chamber Singers and also taught music appreciation and music theory. He continues as Chorusmaster of the Yakima Symphony Chorus which is the choral organization of the Yakima Symphony Orchestra. He teaches a Choral Literature Techniques course in the CWU summer graduate offerings for the Masters of Music Education.

A native of Iowa, Scott Peterson received his D.M.A. degree in Choral Conducting from the University of Washington where he conducted the U. W. Opera Chorus. He was granted Central Washington University's first M. A. degree in conducting where he formed and conducted the Central Chorale. He received a B. A. degree in music education from Midland Lutheran College where he conducted the Freshmen Chorale. Dr. Peterson studied with Robert DeCormier, Dale Warland, Abraham Kaplan, Joan Conlon, William Hatcher, Maurice Skones, E. Gordon Leavitt and Eugene B. Nelson. He also twice performed as a member of the Robert Shaw Festival Singers in Carnegie Hall under Robert Shaw.

Dr. Peterson was a member of Male Ensemble Northwest for 27 years. During that time he performed with MEN at two national ACDA conferences and several division conferences. He was on the faculty at the Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival for 7 summers where he conducted the FSAF Chamber Singers and the Festival Chorus.

Dr. Peterson is past president of the Northwestern Division of the American Choral Directors Association. During his term, the Divisional conference was held in Vancouver, B. C., the first ACDA conference to occur outside the United States.

CWU Choral Faculty

Dr. Nicole Lamartine, Director of Choirs

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Be a part of the excellence!

We offer a variety of choral opportunities for any interested singer - and you don't have to be a music major to participate! Vox Divina, Wildcatters, and Chorale are ALL non-auditioned - just sign up for the class. Chamber Choir will hold auditions for additional members each quarter in finals week.

Ouestions?

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Vox Divina (SA) MUS 211/411

Dr. Nicole Lamartine

MWF 12-12:50pm Band Room (McIntyre 150)

Wildcat Chorus (TB) MUS 228/428

Dr. Scott Peterson

MWF 12-12:50pm Choir Room (McIntyre 153)

University Chorale (SATB) MUS 267/467/567

Prof. Vijay Singh

MTWF 11-11:50am Choir Room (McIntyre 153)

Chamber Choir (SATB) Dr. Nicole Lamartine MUS 268/468/568

M(T)WThF 2-3:15pm Choir Room (McIntyre 153)

Exciting News for CWU Choirs!

Prof. Vijay Singh is excited to announce that CWU's Vocal Jazz 1 has been selected to perform at the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) Northwest Regional Conference January 26th, 2024 in Spokane, WA. Vocal Jazz 1 is recognized as one of the finest jazz vocal ensembles in the country and has consistently been invited and showcased at regional and national ACDA events during Prof. Singh's 24 year tenure at CWU. ACDA is the largest professional organization for choral music in the world and has one of the most rigorous audition procedures for performance selections. Directors must submit three consecutive years of live un-edited concert recordings for blind audition scrutiny and judging. Only the finest ensembles are chosen and invited! Prof. Singh and the Vocal Jazz 1 students are excited to share CWU's quality music program with the 6 state ACDA-NW membership and will premiere 3 brand new works at the conference!

Dr. La is excited to announce that the CWU Chamber Choir has been selected to perform (by blind audition) at the 2024 Washington Music Educators Association conference in Yakima in February, 2024. In addition, the CWU Chamber Choir was selected as one of six choirs in the US to perform a newly-commissioned piece at the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) Northwest Regional Conference on January 24, 2024 in Spokane, WA

Music Department Calendar of Events

Nov. 17, 7:00pm Nov. 18, 12:00pm	Composition Studio Recital+ Kellen Schuetze, Horn Recital*
Nov. 18, 2:00pm	Francisco Gonzales, Clarinet Recital*
Nov. 19, 12:00pm	Horn Studio Recital*
Nov. 19, 2:00pm	Noah Wilkerson, Clarinet Recital*
Nov. 19, 4:00pm	Choir Concert+\$
Nov. 19, 6:00pm	Sophie Fay, Cello Recital*
Nov. 20, 6:00pm	Corinne Williamson, Trumpet Recital*
Nov. 21, 7:00pm	Percussion Ensemble Concert+
Nov. 27, 6:00pm	Alessandro Squadrito Moore, Trumpet Recital*
Nov. 28, 6:00pm	String Studio Recital*
Nov. 29, 6:00pm	Dominic Dobbs, Flute Recital*
Nov. 29, 7:00pm	Wind Ensemble Concert+
Nov. 30, 6:00pm	Jazz Combo Concert 1*
Nov. 30, 8:00pm	Jazz Combo Concert 2*
Dec. 1, 7:00pm	Chamber Choir Concert at United Methodist Church\$
Dec. 2, 4:00pm	An Afternoon of Jazz+\$
Dec. 2, 7:00pm	An Evening of Jazz+\$
Dec. 3, 4:00pm	Orchestra Concert+\$

All dates and times subject to change. For the most recent calendar of events, visit www.cwu.edu/music

* Recital Hall + Wayne S. Hertz Concert Hall \$ Ticketed Parking is free every weekday after 4:30 p.m. and all day on weekends, unless otherwise stated.

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