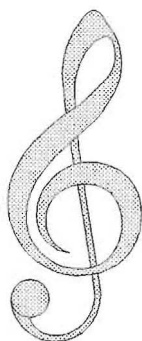


THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA
BISON MEN'S CHORUS
ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT



With Featured Guests

The University of Manitoba Jazz Ensemble
VOCAL-EASE

Friday - May 7, 1999
8:00 PM

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
61 PICARDY PLACE
WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

You are invited to join us for refreshments after the concert in the Church Hall.

PROGRAM

**O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES
PAST**

Isaac Watts, (Lyrics)
William Croft (Music)
Bruce Trinkley (Arranger)

RIVER IN JUDEA
Steve Denby - guitar
Steven Howes - drums

Linda Marcus (Lyrics)
Jack Feldman (Music)
John Leavitt (Arranger)

AVE MARIA (Angelus Domini)
Brock McEwen, Tenor
Merv Pritchard, Tenor
Keith Tipples, Baritone

Franz Biebl
Chanticleer (Arrangement)

GOD BE IN MY HEAD

Sarum Primer (Lyrics)
Jackson Berkey (Arranger)

GO DOWN MOSES
(Let My People Go)

Norman Luboff (Arranger)
Paul Sjolund (T.T.B.B. edition)

SALVE REGINA

Marian Antiphon (Lyrics)
William Mathias (Music)

AMAZING GRACE
Steve Denby - guitar
Steven Howes - drums

John Newton (Lyrics)
Ed Lojeski (Arranger)

RIDE THE CHARIOT
Michael Potter, Tenor

William Henry Smith (Arranger)

Selections by the VOCAL-EASE

DRINKING SONG
(Back and Side Go Bare)

John Still (Lyrics)
R. Vaughan Williams (Music)

A RED, RED ROSE

Robert Burns (Lyrics)
Emily Crocker (Music)

THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM

Joe Darion (Lyrics)
Mitch Leigh (Music)
John Leavitt (Arranger)

PROGRAM (Cont'd.)

THE LONGEST TIME
Steven Howes, Tenor

Billy Joel (Lyrics and Music)
Roger Emerson (Arranger)

WHEN I FALL IN LOVE

Edward Heyman (Lyrics)
Victor Young (Music)
James Q. Mulholland (Arranger)

CHORUS MEMBERS

Conductor - Reno Gerl
Accompanist - Cary Denby

Associate Conductor - Steve Denby

Tenor I Steven Howes, Peter Jones, Brock McEwen,
Michael Potter, George Robb, Tim Sale

Tenor II David Burton, Mike Butler, Howard Hicks,
Ian Livingstone, John Long, Gary Martin, Gary Mischke,
Charles Patterson, Merv Pritchard, George Reenders,
Peter Spencer

Baritone Fletch Baragar, Robert Begg, Victor Boudreau,
Harold Christie, Keith Christie, Ray Drobko,
Rob Einarson, Lane Graham, Tom Jones, Brian Kirk,
Doug Nelson, Wes Pastuzenko, Bob Preston,
Gordon Rempel, Jim Ryan, Harvey Stevens, Keith Tipples,
Stirling Walkes

Bass Pat Caldwell, Roger Coll, Jim deGraff, Brian Doob,
Dave Elias, Bob Hilton, Bob Kellow, John Madden,
Jack McDowell, Glen Mead, Hugo Muller, John Mundie,
Aubrey Neal, Ted Redekop, Steve Stothers,
Neil Warkentin, Barry Warrack, Herman Yaeger

BISON MEN'S CHORUS

The **BISON MEN'S CHORUS** was founded in September 1984 by Dr. Larry Patterson, who served as its conductor until July 1997. When Larry retired from the University, Reno Gerl was appointed as his replacement. In January 1999, Steve Denby joined the **CHORUS** as associate conductor.

The **CHORUS** is a Program of the School of Music. It also is a member of the Intercollegiate Male Choruses, Inc. It has approximately 50 members. Its repertoire consists of traditional male chorus selections: spirituals, jazz arrangements, folk and art songs, sacred music, show pieces and commissioned works. It has produced three tapes and one CD.

In addition to its annual Christmas Medieval Feast in December and Spring Concert, it performs at a variety of concerts during the year. This past season it sang at the campuses of the University of Minnesota in Morris and Crookston in October. It performed with the Gimli Men's Choir and at ChoralFest Manitoba in November. In February it joined with the Women of Note and Ron Paley for a concert at St. Mary's Cathedral. It was a guest choir at the Men Only Festival on April 16th.

New singers and opportunities to perform are always welcome. If you are interested, please contact Reno Gerl at 253-2681 or Dave Burton at 269-8774.

RENO GERL - conductor. Reno was the associate conductor of the **CHORUS** in the 1995-96 Season before becoming conductor in 1997. He is a graduate of the School of Music and the Faculty of Education at the University of Manitoba. As a music educator, he divides his time between being the Music Supervisor of the St. Boniface School Division and music teacher at Windsor Park Collegiate. He plays trumpet for the River City Band and sings with The Riffs, a four-voice a cappella group. He has been involved as conductor and clinician for local instrumental and choral ensembles.

STEVE DENBY - associate conductor. Steve attended the University of Manitoba where he sang with the University Singers. Upon graduation he began a teaching career. Since 1989 he has overseen the music program at Ecole River Heights School. Steve has served as director for the Dutch Canadian Choir and has co-directed the Central Manitoba Youth Choir. For relaxation he plays in Streamline, a weekend country dance band, and appears in theatre productions put on by Regents Park United Church.

CARY DENBY - accompanist. Cary is a graduate of the School of Music of the University of Manitoba. In addition to being the accompanist to the **CHORUS** Cary accompanies the Women of Note and the Winnipeg Girls' Choir. Also she is the organist at Regents Park United Church. When not busy accompanying various choirs, Cary spends a great deal of her time with her two young children.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA JAZZ ENSEMBLE

VOCAL-EASE

PROGRAM

I HEAR MUSIC	Phil Mattson (Arranger)
'ROUND MIDNIGHT Soloist - Simone Gendron	Dave Barduhn (Arranger)
LEMON DROP Soloists - Liane Collet Simone Gendron	Marti Clapp (Arranger)
ANGEL EYES Soloists - Jodie Borle Liane Collet Simon Gendron Jason Sapinsky	Michele Weir (Arranger)
ON BROADWAY Soloists - Jodie Borle Simone Gendron Jason Sapinsky Piano - Jon Alexiuk	
TAKE THE "A" TRAIN Soloist - Jodie Borle	Steve Zegree (Arranger)

JAZZ ENSEMBLE MEMBERS

Conductor - Michelle English

Vocalists **Jodie Borle, Liane Collet, Simone Gendron, Tina Klein,
Jon Pear, Kristel Peters, Everett Martin, Jason Sapinsky**

Rhythm Section **Jon Alexiuk - piano
Carl Ratchinsky - bass
Jeff Tetrault - drums**

VOCAL-EASE

The VOCAL-EASE was established in 1988 by Dr. Larry Patterson. It is a program of the School of Music. When Dr. Patterson took a sabbatical in 1995, Mr. Tom Dowden took over as conductor of the group. Ms. Michelle English became its conductor this academic year.

The VOCAL-EASE has performed several times at the Canadian Rocky Mountain Festival in Banff. This is the third time it has performed with the ~~CHORUS~~ CHORUS. This year it appeared in the final concert of ChoralFest Manitoba and at the SAG Convention.

Michelle English - conductor. Michelle received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Music from York University. She also has a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Manitoba. As part of her responsibilities as a full time teacher with Kildonan East Collegiate, she conducts a vocal jazz group. In addition Michelle is the music coordinator for Celebrations Dinner Theatre which is located in Canada Inn on Pembina Highway.