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Hosts:

3:00-6:00 p.m. *Henry Winkler*

6:00-9:00 p.m. *Elayne Boosler*

Guest Host: Mario Machado

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All times are approximate.

3:00 p.m.

Universal Dance Designs Kennedy Tap Company

Arlene Kennedy, Director

The company has performed for such tap greats as the Nicholas Brothers and Gregory Hines and appeared in *42nd Street* and *Bring in Da Noise, Bring in Da Funk*.

IT DON'T MEAN A THING

Choreography: Paul and Arlene Kennedy

Music: Duke Ellington, Lyrics: Irving Mills

3:10 p.m.

Opera California Youth Choir

Sung Hye Roh, Director

Sohl Kim, Conductor

David Kim, Piano

John Chong, Drum

Gilbert Kim, Bass Guitar

Mimi Lee, Jung Choi & Andrew Lee, Sleigh Bells,

Jang-go, Jing (Gong)

The thirteen-year-old choir has performed in operas, at choral festivals and on tour in Uganda and Rwanda last summer. They just completed a CD in the Swahili language.

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS Traditional English Carol,
arr. John Rutter

SLEIGH RIDE Leroy Anderson, arr. Jung Choi

LORD'S PRAYER The Bible, arr. Jung Choi

3:15 p.m.

Kim, Eung Hwa Korean Dance Academy

Eung Hwa Kim, Director and Choreographer

The dancers are all second generation Korean Americans. They recently gave a critically acclaimed performance at the Ford Amphitheatre with the internationally known percussion group Samulnori.

PUPPET DANCE

Music: Traditional

3:20 p.m.

Agape International Children's Choir*

Elle Perrault, Director

Rashid Lanie, Piano

Rob McDonald, Bass

David Neal, Guitar

Cal Bennett, Saxophone

Sese Abejon, Percussion

The choir, comprised of 5 to 15 year olds, performs a hip-hop version of the "The Twelve Days of Christmas," enumerating what children see as the best holiday gifts.

TWELVE ECO DAYS OF CHRISTMAS John Camden Hotten,

Lyrics by Ting Ho, arr. Elle Perrault

3:25 p.m.

Activities for Retarded Children and Adults (ARC) Handbell Choir

Dixie Henrikson, Director

The bell choir, founded in 1985, has performed hundreds of times in a wide variety of venues including Anaheim Stadium, the Special Olympics opening ceremonies and several television shows.

JINGLE BELLS James Pierpont

WHITE CHRISTMAS Irving Berlin

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING Felix Mendelssohn, arr. Charles Wesley

3:30 p.m.

Salvation Army Tabernacle Children's Chorus

Barbara Allen, Director

Steve Allen, Piano

The chorus represented the State of California for two consecutive years at the International Children's Choir Festival in Cambridge, England.

COMING DOWN THE CHIMNEY TONIGHT Donnelly/Strid

HEAVEN'S CHILD Joel Lindsey

Madison Spirrett, Vocal Solo

SWINGIN' AT SANTA'S PLACE Kirby Shaw

3:40 p.m.

America Chinese Dance Association*

Angela Lai, Artistic Director and Choreographer

The Ribbon Dance originated as an entertainment in the Chinese Imperial Court 1,500 years ago. It is considered one of the most beautiful and popular Chinese Classical dances.

DREAMY SHADOW CAST BY RAINBOW AND CLOUDS - RIBBON DANCE

Music: "Young Ming Mountain in Spring," composed by Tung Yung Shen

3:45 p.m.

Honor Choir of Southern California Youth Chorus and East Valley Children's Chorus

Samuel Lin, Artistic Director

Jasmine Lin, Piano

The Honor Choir, representing top members of two San Gabriel Valley-based choruses, has performed in the Overseas Chinese Choral Festival and in New York, Boston, Washington DC and Hawaii.

TOMORROW SHALL BE MY DANCING DAY English Traditional Christmas

Song, arr. John Rutter

THE VIRGIN'S SLUMBER SONG Music by Max Reger, English words by Edward Teschemacher

WE NEED A LITTLE CHRISTMAS Jerry Herman, arr. Anita Kerr

4:00 p.m.

Orphean Circus*

Ken Roht, Producing Artistic Director

John Ballinger, Musical Arranger

This 10-year-old theatre company is known for their extravaganzas using products from 99¢ Only Stores. They perform excerpts from the latest of these, *Peace Squad Goes 99!* Orphean Circus would like to thank the 99¢ Only Stores for the material for their costumes.

4:10 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes Children's Choir

Luke McEndarfer, Conductor

Nancy Ruczynski, Piano

These youngsters performed for Pope John Paul II at the Vatican's Millennium Jubilee Celebration and recently participated in an international congress of 4000 singers in Cologne, Germany.

THE VIRGIN MARY HAD A BABY BOY Traditional, arr. Hal H. Hopson

JESUS IS BORN, PRINCE OF PEACE Lloyd Larson

4:15 p.m.

Jung Im Lee Korean Dance Academy

Jung Im Lee, Artistic Director and Choreographer

Chan-gu Choom is the Korean name of this dance which originates from the beginnings of Korean farming culture and reflects the simplicity of rural festivals.

HOURLASS DRUM DANCE

Music: Traditional

4:20 p.m.

San Fernando Valley Youth Chorus

Colleen Kennedy, Director

Kathleen Moon, Piano

Last spring the chorus appeared as the Children's Chorus in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* at the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood.

A LA NANITA NANA Traditional Spanish Song, arr. David Eddleman

FEAST OF LIGHTS Traditional, arr. Simon A. Sargon

4:30 p.m.

Mariachi Voz de America*

Richard Mata, Director

Esperanza Juarez, Violin

Omar Mata, Trumpet

Bernardo Salazar, Trumpet

William Gutierrez, Vihuela

Arnold De Leon, Guitarron

Robert Aguilera, Guitar

Zada Mendoza, Violin

Lucy Gomez, Violin

Genn Juarez, Harp

Juan Carlos Ruiz, Trumpet

These musicians represented the City of Los Angeles in Jalisco, Mexico, at the annual Encuentro del Mariachi International Festival and did a six-week tour throughout France.

and

Sierra Park Elementary School Folklorico

Felix Salcedo, Artistic Director and Choreographer

This award-winning folklorico troupe has mastered adult versions of the traditional dances of Mexico. The group performs two dances from the colorful southwestern Mexican state of Michoacan.

EL CASCABEL Lorenzo Barcelata

LA COSTILLA

Music: Traditional, arr. Silvestre Vargas & Ruben Fuentes

JARABILLO DE TRES

Music: Traditional, arr. Silvestre Vargas & Ruben Fuentes

Alejandro Sanchez, Lizette Estala and Jacqueline Perez, Solo Dancers

FELIZ NAVIDAD Jose Feliciano

4:45 p.m.

Harmonies of St. Thomas*

Jose Antonio Espinal, Music Director/Founder

Christoph Bull, Piano

This girls' choir began in 2002, performed at Our Lady of Los Angeles Cathedral the very next year and made their first international appearance last summer in Germany.

BOURRÉE J.S. Bach, arr. Ramon Noble

A QUE LA GUSTO Mexican Carol, XVI century, arr. Ramon Noble

Cynthia Rodriguez, Mezzo-Soprano

POR EL VALLE DE ROSAS Miguel Bernal Jimenez, arr. Ramon Noble

Delia Maria Rios, Soprano

SANCTA MARIA Pietro Mascagni, arr. Steven Mercurio

Aileen Haro, Soprano; Guadalupe Montellano, soprano;

Delia Maria Rios, Alto; Cynthia Rodriguez, Alto

5:00 p.m.

Celtic Spring

Elizabeth Wood, Musical Leader

Called the "von Trapp family of Celtic music," the five Wood children and their father honor their Irish ancestry with masterful performances across the U.S. and on "Good Morning America."

DECK THE HALLS Old Welsh Air

MISS LYALL'S Traditional

KING'S REEL Traditional

FERRET REEL Andy Renwick

DINKIE DORIAN'S Francie Byrne

JENNY DANG THE WEAVER Traditional

5:05 p.m.

Antelope Valley High School Choral Music Travel Ensemble*

John Crocker, Vocal Music Director

Carol Selmser, Piano

This select group, which debuted in June 2003 at New York's Carnegie Hall, opens with an African ceremonial song about young men coming of age.

SOMOGWAZA arr. Pete Seeger

THE SHEPHERD'S PIPE CAROL John Rutter

5:10 p.m.

Harmonic Bronze Handbell Ensemble

Lawrence Rowland, Leader

The five-year-old group is drawn from students grades six to nine in the Acton-Agua Dulce School District. Their selection melds musical virtuosity and sound techniques only handbells can achieve.

PASSACAGLIA Kevin McChesney

5:25 p.m.

Greater Ebenezer Youth and Childrens Choir*

Seminolia Lamar, Choir Director

Donald Hunt, Piano

Fred Washington, Bass

Donnir Johnson, Drums

Debra Williams, Keyboards

The choir is one of five singing groups at the Greater Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church and is featured on a recently released CD and in a gospel showcase on KJLH radio.

"A SOULFUL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION MEDLEY"

TELL ME THE STORY OF JESUS Wm Parker, Frederic A. Challinger,
arr. Carol Cymbala

THE FIRST NOEL Traditional English Carol

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS French Carol Melody, arr. Kirk Franklin
Brandon Archer, Narrator

FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN (PRETTY LITTLE BABY BOY)
arr. Gary Hines

PEACE ON EARTH Babbie Mason, arr. Babbie Mason
Jennifer Smith, Vocal Solo

HALLELUJAH from Handel's *Messiah*, arr. Mervyn Warren & David Hall
Darryl Hardin, Narrator
Nicholas Lauderdale, Vocal Solo

5:30 p.m.

Spring Autumn Dance Ensemble*

Mandarin Wu, Director and Choreographer

Founded in 2001, the ensemble is comprised of Chinese-American dancers who explore new ways of expressing their heritage by drawing on a variety of dance genres.

SPIRIT OF THE DRUM

Music: Liu Yu Sheng & Zhu Xiao Lin

TRICKLING WATER

Music: Traditional Chinese

ODAICO

Music: Traditional Japanese

THE TIGER GRINDING TEETH

Music: Traditional Chinese, arr. Zhao, Zhi Ping

5:40 p.m.

Los Angeles Chinese Chorale

Samuel Lin, Director

Stephanie Lan, Piano

The chorale won the silver medal at the 2002 Global Overseas Chinese Choral Competition "President Cup" in Taipei, Taiwan and was named the group with the "Most Beautiful Tone Quality."

CHAO BAI JUN WAN GE (WORSHIP THE KING) Cainan Mui

SONG OF PRAISE Taiwan Aboriginal Song, arr. Chien, Nan-Chang

Melody Kuo, Banjo Drum & Wood Block

Samuel Lin, Conga Drum

5:45 p.m.

First AME Church Pasadena Youth/Young Adult Choir*

Cheryl Holland, Minister of Music

Harold Bowen, Piano

Jimmy Watlington, Drums

Robert Turner, Keyboard

The gospel choir, recipient of numerous commendations, most recently was named one of the top four choirs in southern California by KKBT 100.3 the Beat and Steve Harvey's Hoodie Awards.

THE REAL MEANING OF CHRISTMAS Joesph Pace II

6:00 p.m.

Hollywood Klezmer*

Jordan Charnofsky, Producer and Guitarist

Leo Chelyapov, Clarinet

Martin Glicklich, Flute

Robert Korda, Violin

Jeffrey Stern, Drums

Victor Koler, Jr., Bass

Dmitri Mamokhin, Bass and Trumpet

Fusing the traditional Jewish instrumental music of Eastern Europe with world, jazz, and classical sounds, the ensemble has performed at the Playboy Jazz Festival and on tour across the U.S.

RUMANIAN SERBA Traditional/Folk

ODESSA BULGARISH Traditional/Folk

6:05 p.m.

Westridge Glee Club*

Paul Stephenson, Upper School Music Director

Rachel Chew-Tang, Piano

The glee club's opening selection expresses the dream and hope for peace among the people of the earth.

PEACE MASS, "KYRIE" Bob Chilcott

ONE CANDLE LIGHTS THE WAY Jay Althouse and Sally K. Albrecht

6:15 p.m.

Grandeza Mexicana Folk Ballet Company*

Jose Vences, Director and Choreographer

Grandeza evokes Christmas festivities in Nuevo Leon, one of the northernmost Mexican states influenced by cowboy culture as well as Czech and Scottish traditions of early settlers.

VIVA LINARES

Music: Traditional

CAFE ROMA

Music: Traditional

EL CIRCO

Music: Traditional

6:25 p.m.

Inspirational Voices of Free!

Windy Barnes Farrell, Director

The group has performed at House of Blues, Stevie Wonder's 8th Annual Toy Drive, and the Jerry Lewis and Lou Rawls telethons.

SONG OF COMFORT Barnes Farrell

Pam Vincent, Joyce Vincent & Windy Barnes Farrell, Vocal Solos

POUR YOU OUT A BLESSING Barnes Farrell/McDonald

Windy Barnes Farrell, Vocal Solo

6:30 p.m.

Yuval Ron Ensemble*

Yuval Ron, Composer and Oud

Carolyne Aycaguer, Harmonium

Maya Haddi, Vocals and Tambourine

Jamie Papish, Dumbek

Asaf Levy, Riqq

Yeghish Manukyan, Clarinet

Virginie Alumyan, Kanoun

Maya Karasso, Dancer

The ensemble brings together artists from Israel, Armenia, France and U.S. uniting the musical traditions of the various communities of the Middle East.

D'ROR YIKRA Traditional, arr. Yuval Ron/Maya Karasso

6:40 p.m.

Church of Scientology Choir

John Kimmich, Director

The choir has performed widely, including appearances with Neil Diamond on his HBO Christmas Special and on "Hello Santa" recorded by the Wilson Sisters.

WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS Traditional, arr. Alice Parker

PRAYER FOR PEACE John Kimmich

6:45 p.m.

Vox Femina Los Angeles

Iris Levine, Director

Janet Noll, Piano

The first selection by this women's choral ensemble, which has recorded two CDs, is a traditional Hanukkah song describing the spinning of the dreidel or top associated with the holiday.

S'VIVON Traditional, arr. Charles Baker

UNDER THE HOLLY BOUGH Music by Scott Henderson,

Lyrics by Charles MacKay

MUSIC DOWN IN MY SOUL Traditional Gospel, arr. Moses Hogan

7:00 p.m.

Mariachi Divas*

Cynthia Shea-Carballo, Director

Mayra Martinez, Vihuela and Vocals

Ileana Garcia, Lead Vocals and Percussion

Cynthia Marie Gonzalez, Vocals and Guitar

Suzanne Garcia, Violin and Vocals

Leticia Sierra, Violin and Vocals

Nelly Cortez, Gitarron and Vocals

Keiko Okamoto, Flute and Vocals

Mona Feda, Trumpet

Maria Villalobos, Timbales and Vocals

Nakeiltha Campbell, Congas and Cajon

The ensemble includes women of Mexican, Cuban, Costa Rican, Panamanian, Japanese, Swiss and Anglo descent and augments traditional Mariachi instrumentation to reflect this multi-cultural mix.

GUANTANAMERA Jose Marti, Jose Fernandez Diaz

Leticia Sierra, Violin; Keiko Okamoto, Flute; Nikki Campbell, Shekere

LA VIDA ES UN CARNAVAL Victor Daniel Roberto

7:10 p.m.

Jubilant Voices of Holman United Methodist Church*

Melida Skeete-Smith, Director

The choir claimed first place in the 19th Annual McDonald's Gospelfest Competition at the Shrine Auditorium in 2003.

CAROL OF THE BELLS M. Leontovich & Peter Wilhousky,

arr. Carol Cymbala

JESUS, OH WHAT A WONDERFUL CHILD Broughton Kelbin

Myron Jackson & Jules Green, Vocal Solos

CHRISTMAS MEDLEY, arr. Melida Skeete-Smith

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH Matthew M. Huesmann

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM Phillip Brooks & Lewis H. Redner

CHANT INTERLUDE Andrae Crouch

Nakeiltha Campbell, Percussion

7:20 p.m.

TRIP Dance Theatre

Monica Favand, Artistic Director and Choreographer

Favand's dance was inspired by the sound of Bon Brown's music and describes Father Winter calling the winter winds from afar to work their chilling spell on the earth.

FATHER WIND

Music: "Vetar Vee," composed by Bon Brown, performed by KITKA

Dancers: Monica Favand, Shannon Harris, Alesia Young, Craig Ng,

Janet Collard, Tomas Tamayo

7:25 p.m.

Donald Brinegar Singers*

Donald Brinegar, Director

The ensemble will give the world premiere performance of Morton Lauridsen's *Nocturnes* in February 2005 and will be the featured group in Costa Rica's "Voces del Mundo" festival next August.

O COME, O COME EMMANUEL Terry Schlenker

LULLAY MY LIKING Gustav Holst

Donald Brinegar & Krysta Close, Vocal Solos

A GLIMPSE OF SNOW AND EVERGREEN Vijay Singh

7:35 p.m.

AC Timba Jazz Project*

Gustavo Ramirez, Director and Keyboards

Juan Carlos, Bass

Jesus Diaz, Conga Drums

Raul Pineda, Drums

Javier Vergara, Sax

The group, founded by the late master percussionist Long John Oliva, performs a 500-year-old spiritual song of the Yoruban culture brought to Cuba from Africa and preserved to this day.

ACHÉ ELEGUA Long John Oliva

7:45 p.m.

Soldiers on Soul Patrol*

Randy Quesada, Founder/Director

The choir, which grew out of Randy Quesada's program for at-risk youth, sings music ranging from gospel to Latin to hip hop and won first place at the 2000 McDonald's Gospelfest.

HOSANNA Randy Quesada

NO GREATER LOVE Glen M. Woodward

Leslie Medina, Vocal Solo

JOY Randy Quesada

8:00 p.m.

Jazz Tap Ensemble

Lynn Dally, Artistic Director

Jerry Kalaf, Music Director and Drums

Dally and Kalaf bring together the professional dancers and musicians of the ensemble and the teen tappers of Caravan Project in this festive samba version of the ancient yuletide carol.

GREENSLEEVES

Choreography: Lynn Dally, Becky Bloom, Channing Cook Holmes

Music: Traditional, arr. Jerry Kalaf

Channing Cook Holmes, Josette Wiggan & Joseph Wiggan, Soloists

8:10 p.m.

Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles

Bruce Mayhall, Director

Tom Shell, Piano

The chorus has toured Russia and will sing throughout South America in 2006. They've been featured on numerous television shows including *Will & Grace* and *Mad TV*.

BOOGIE WOOGIE HANUKKAH Eric Lane Barnes

THE CHRISTMAS SONG Mel Torme, arr. Alan Broadbent

CHRISTMAS TALK/COOL YULE Brad Willis

A LA NANITA NANA Traditional Spanish Song, arr. Bobby Buchanan

8:20 p.m.

JazzAntiqua Dance & Music Ensemble

Pat Taylor, Artistic Director and Choreographer

This trio of dances to interpretations of holiday classics by jazz greats is reprised from Holiday Celebration 2003 and reflects the ensemble's dedication to the art of jazz.

ENTR'ACTE (FROM THE NUTCRACKER SUITE)

Music: Tchaikovsky, arr. Duke Ellington

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Music: African-American spiritual, text by John W. Work, Jr., sung by Mahalia Jackson

LET IT SNOW!

Music: Jule Styne & Sammy Cahn, sung by Ella Fitzgerald

8:30 p.m.

Greater Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church Inspirational Choir

Rev. Harold Pittman, Conductor

Matthew Pittman, Keyboard

Donald R. Hunt, Piano

Fred Washington, Bass

Warren Ontiveros, Drums

This song medley reflects the meaning of Christmas for the choir, which performs throughout the U.S. and is featured on a CD recently produced by the church's The Music Ministry.

HOLD THE LIGHT arr. Pittman

I BELIEVE THIS IS JESUS John Work

Eric Battle, Vocal Solo

WONDERFUL COUNSELOR Traditional Negro Spiritual

RISE UP SHEPHERD AND FOLLOW Traditional Spiritual

Michael Verner, Vocal Solo

O HOLY NIGHT John S. Dwight and Adolphe Adam

Rev. Denon Porter, Rev. Fred Washington & Mark Pittman, Vocal Solos

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN African-American spiritual,

text by John W. Work, Jr.

Deacon Andrew Brown, Vocal Solo

8:40 p.m.

Mariachi Sol de Mexico*

Jose Hernandez, Director and Vocal Soloist

Jesse L. Hernandez, Guitar

Erick Hernandez, Violin

Mario A. Hernandez, Guitarron

Francisco J. Jaurequi, Vihuela

Hector Castro, Violin

Raul Cuellar, Violin

Art Gerst, Harp

Oscar Ortega, Violin

Fernando Ortiz, Trumpet

Fernando Moreno, Violin

Antonio Hernandez, Trumpet

Julio C. Hernandez-Salazar, Violin

The ensemble was the first mariachi group to be nominated for a Grammy and has performed at the Academy Awards and in more than 20 films, most recently *Seabiscuit*.

ARBOLITO DE NAVIDAD Gloria Estefan

EL REY DE LA HUASTECA Jose Hernandez

8:50 p.m. Finale

The audience is invited to sing along.

JOY TO THE WORLD

(George Frederick Handel and Isaac Watts)

Let every heart (let every heart),
Let every soul (let every soul),
Let every one (let every one),

Come hear the sounds...

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;

Let earth receive her King.

Let every heart prepare Him room,

And heaven and nature sing

(and heaven and nature sing!)

And heaven and nature sing (and heaven!),

And heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns;

Let men their songs employ;

While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains

Repeat the sounding joy (Repeat the sounding joy!)

Repeat the sounding joy (Repeat the sounding joy!)

Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

(Instrumental)

And heaven and nature sing

(and heaven and nature sing),

And heaven and nature sing (and heaven),

And heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Lord is come;

Let earth receive her King.

Let every heart prepare Him room,

And heaven and nature sing

(and heaven and nature sing!)

And heaven and nature sing (and heaven!)

And heaven and heaven (and heaven and heaven!)

And heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy unto the world and nature sing.

SILENT NIGHT

(Joseph Mohr and Franz Xaver Gruber)

Silent night, holy night.

All is calm, all is bright.

'Round yon virgin, mother and child.

Holy infant so tender and mild.

Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night.

Shepherds quake at the sight.

Glories stream from heaven afar.

Heavenly hosts sing "Alleluia."

Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

Silent night, holy night.

Son of God, love's pure light.

Radiant beams from thy holy face,

with the dawn of redeeming grace.

Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

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