

David L. Walters Department of Music

## A CAPPELLA CHOR ELIEZER YANSON JR., DIRECTOR

RACHEL PARK, COLLABORATIVE PIANIST



### ALABAMA ALL-STATE CHOIR FESTIVAL CONVOCATION FRIDAY, MARCH 10 | 1:15 P.M.

BIRMINGHAM JEFFERSON CONVENTION COMPLEX CONCERT HALL 2100 RICHARD ARRINGTON BLVD N BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203

## PROGRAM

| HOSANNA TO THE SON OF DAVID | Thomas Weelkes<br>(1576 - 1623) |
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| ABIDE                       | Dan Forrest<br>(b. 1978)        |
| 0 LOVE                      | Elaine Hagenberg<br>(b. 1979)   |
| PAPANOK A LAKITAN           | Nilo Alcala<br>(b. 1978)        |

Messenger bird, Messenger bird, Tell my beloved I am not too far away.

CHE INTERMINABILE ANDIRIVIENI, FROM *DON PASQUALE*.......Gaetano Donizetti (1797 - 1848)

What endless going there and coming: 'Tis insupportable, one's back is broken! Nothing but ding-ding here, and ding-ding there. In peace they'll not a moment let us stay: But still, 'tis a good house, all's first-rate style; Spend here, spend there, eat, drink, and making merry.

The dinner over. Oh, there were such scenes! They began early, let us hear a bit. "Now," said the husband, "you must stay home;" Said the wife firmly, "Sir, go out I will!" The little wife will conquer in the end.

There is a certain marplot of a nephew who discomposes much of the old man's mind. Our little mistress is all fire and fury. It seems she doesn't account her husband much; Hush, hush, be prudent. There is someone coming. All will be well. There's plenty to regale us.

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# - CONDUCTOR & PIANIST -

**ELIEZER YANSON JR.** is an associate professor of music and director of choral activities at Jacksonville State University in Jacksonville, Alabama where he conducts the A Cappella Choir, Chamber Singers, and Civic Chorale and teaches undergraduate and graduate music classes. Prior to his appointment to Jax State, Eliezer served on the music faculty at Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina. He earned a doctor of musical arts degree in choral conducting from the University of South Carolina, a master of music in church music (conducting) and a bachelor of music in piano performance from Bob Jones University. His main conducting mentors have been Larry Wyatt and Warren Cook. Eliezer has also worked and studied with André Thomas, Don Portnoy, Paul Vermel, Dian Tchobanov and Hilary Apfelstadt.

An active adjudicator, conference speaker, and clinician, Eliezer has conducted choirs and clinics in the United States, Thailand, Bulgaria, and in his native Philippines. He was the 2015 3rd Prize Winner of The American Prize in Conducting: College/University Chorus Division and has appeared in Carnegie Hall as conductor in 2015 and 2018. While passionate about conducting and teaching, Eliezer's greatest role is being husband to Martha and father to Isabella and Andre.

**RACHEL PARK** joined Jacksonville State University as piano faculty in 2017. She teaches class piano, basic piano skills, accompanying, and primary and secondary applied piano. Rachel received her bachelor's degree from Sookmyung Women's University in South Korea and master's and doctoral degrees in church music and piano performance from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. As an active solo and collaborative pianist, Rachel has given more than a thousand concerts with various soloists, ensemble groups, and orchestras throughout the United States and overseas. Currently serving Alabama Music Teachers Association as the First Vice President and the President-Elect, Rachel is also an active member of the MTNA, ASCAP, and Asian Society of Music in New York. She is looking forward to her debut recital at Carnegie Hall on March 13, 2023.

### **A CAPPELLA CHOIR**

SOPRANO

Leila Acheson, Oxford, Ala. History Anna Campbell, Guntersville, Ala. Integrated Studies Samantha Drake, Hartselle, Ala. Drama Alayna Endicott, Valley, Ala. Vocal Music Education Trinity Lane, Hiram, Ga. Vocal Music Education Grace Shelton, Jacksonville, Ala. English Esther Shull, Oxford, Ala.

**SOPRANO** 

Film Allison Carroll, Arab, Ala. Vocal Music Education Isabella Escamillo, Douglasville, Ga. Vocal Performance Tierra-Mishael Harmon, Cartersville, Ga. Vocal Performance Kaya Knox, Pagosa Springs, Colo. Drama Laura Nabholz, Montgomery, Ala. Instrumental Music Education Becca Sides, Jacksonville Ala. Vocal Music Education Devorah Straub, Williamsport, Pa. Vocal Performance

ALTO |

Paulina Dingler, Baileyton, Ala. Vocal Music Education Kaelyn Harris, Gadsden, Ala Vocal Music Education Lauren Kilgore, Leeds, Ala. Vocal Performance Hannah Kramer, Anniston, Ala. Management Morgan Langley, Boaz, Ala. Vocal Music Education Mary Elizabeth Maddox, Albertville, Ala. Exercise Science & Wellness Anna Smith, Piedmont, Ala. Vocal Music Education

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Luisa Arnold, Douglasville, Ga. Communication Anna Barrett, Carrollton, Ga. Communication El Hataway, Montgomery, Ala. Theatre Celeste Owens, Harvest, Ala. Exercise Science & Wellness Leah Turner, Oneonta, Ala. Vocal Music Education

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Jacob Lokhorst, Hiram, Ga. Instrumental Music Education Murchison Murray, Douglasville, Ga. Theatre Ethan Nessler, Gadsden, Ala.

Vocal Music Education Elijah Parker, Hartselle, Ala. Computer Science Jacob Trotter, Ringgold, Ga. Vocal Music Education

Nicholas Frederick, Jacksonville, Ala. Management Richard Guzman, Horton, Ala. Instrumental Music Education Zachary Nelson, Blue Ridge, Ga. Instrumental Music Education David Ritschard, Papua New Guinea Vocal Music Education Chase Spears, Pell City, Ala. Vocal Music Education

Max Antonovich, Hiram, Ga. Integrated Studies Ethan Duce, Douglasville, Ga. Management John Knauss, Rome, Ga. Management

Josh Guzman, Douglasville, Ga. Vocal Music Education Juan Ramos-Jimenez, Albertville, Ala. Integrated Studies

Caleb Carnes, Dallas, Ga. Instrumental Music Education Alex Frost, Ringgold, Ga. Instrumental Music Education Rodrick Moore, Pinson, Ala. Instrumental Music Education Jacob Moorer, Bay Minette, Ala. Instrumental Music Education Jamey Smith, Anniston, Ala. Vocal Performance

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