

Sunday, March 19, 2023  
3:00pm  
Madonna della Strada Chapel

Rebirth!  
A Springtime Celebration of Light out of Darkness

Loyola University Singers  
Bravura Ensemble of Spirit Singers  
Laura Bottei, Organ

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Genevan Suite: III. God the Lord Were Not Our Constant Help  
Laura Bottei, Organ Brenda Portmar (b.1980)

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Be Like the Bird Abbie Betinis (b.1980)

Bright Morning Stars traditional, arranged by Carling FitzSimmons  
Bravura and University Singers

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If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

Lift Thine Eyes, from Elijah Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Bravura

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Stabat Mater Jeanne Demessieux (1921-1968)

Laura Bottei, Organ

Ave Maria Stella Gregorian Chant, arranged by J. K. Budziak Gcs

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University Singers

University Singers is the select soprano and alto choral ensemble of Loyola University.

Leah Ascher  
Molly Balow  
Megan Bradley  
Lex Busch  
Anna Chaban  
Isabella Cook  
Layla Dagle

Mya Dixon  
Nora Furletti  
Gia Gracias  
Mia Hainer  
Lily Hogannerel JegMan

Lauded for her “sweetened singing”, Carling maintains an active performing career, appearing with elite chamber ensembles including Bella Voce, the Rockefeller Decani, and the William Ferris Chorale. Carling is also the founder and Artistic Director of La Caccina, an ensemble that champions and performs diverse, innovative repertoire for women's voices. Under her guidance, La Caccina has established itself as the city's premier treble ensemble, performing in a diverse range of styles, inspiring the next generation of musicians, and commissioning new works. Through La Caccina, Carling has proven herself to be a champion of new music and an innovative conductor, earning praise for her “visionary and generous” leadership. She holds a BA in music and English from Kenyon College and an MM in choral conducting from Michigan State University.

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### Texts and Translations

#### Be Like the Bird

Victor Hugo

Be like the bird that, pausing in her flight awhile on boughs too slight,  
Feels them give way beneath her and sings,  
Knowing she has wings.

Ave Maris Stella

9th century Latin Hymn

Hail, star of the sea,  
Nurturing Mother of God, ever Virgin  
Happy gate of Heaven

Receiving that "Ave" from the mouth of Gabriel,  
Establish us in peace, transforming the name of "Eva"

Loosen the chains of prisoners,  
Send forth light to the blind,  
Dispel our evils and call us to good..

Show yourself to be a Mother,  
That he who was born for us, of you,  
may hear your prayer

Grant us a pure life and a safe way,  
That seeing Jesus, we may ever rejoice.

Praise be to God the Father,  
To the Most High Christ and to the Holy Spirit  
Be glory to the three in one. Amen.

Dic Nobis, Maria

from the Easter Sequence, Latin Hymn

Tell us, Mary, what did you see on the way?  
I saw the tomb of Christ now living; I saw the glory of his rising,  
Angels standing as witnesses, the shroud and linen cloth.

There is a Balm in Gilead

Traditional Spiritual

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,  
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the ~~sick~~ soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain,  
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all."

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,  
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the ~~sick~~ soul.

Faith is the bird that Feels the Light

Rabindranath Tagore

Faith is the bird that feels the light,  
And sings while the dawn is still dark.

TheCircles of Our Lives

David Brunner