

# Highlander CONCERT SERIES

2023-24

Great sacred music at the highest artistic level is what the Highlander Concert Series is all about. For more than 40 years we have been contributing to the cultural life of Dallas with our performances of vocal and instrumental music dedicated to the glory of God. Highland Park Presbyterian Church is committed to offering the best of great performance as a reflection of our faith in the Creator. May these performances enrich your mind, heart, and soul.

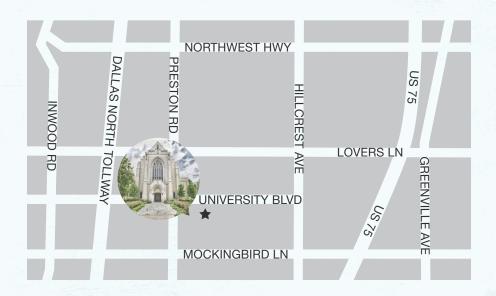
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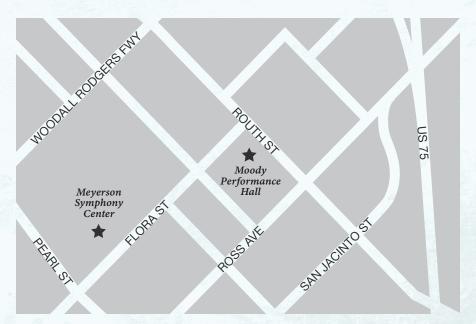


GREG HOBBS
Artistic Director & Conductor

## Unless otherwise noted, all Highlander Concerts are free and held in the **HIGHLAND PARK PRES SANCTUARY**

3821 University Blvd, Dallas, Texas 75205





#### **MOODY PERFORMANCE HALL**

2520 Flora Street, Dallas, Texas 75201

#### **MEYERSON SYMPHONY CENTER**

2301 Flora Street, Dallas, Texas 75201



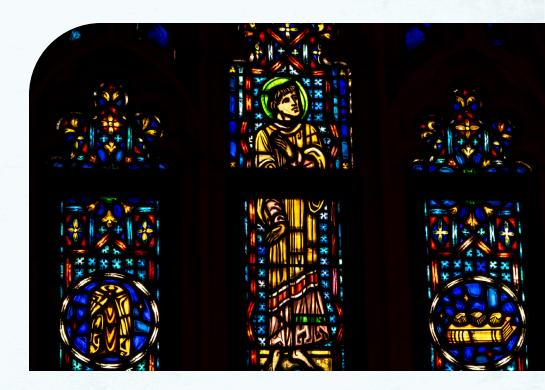
FRIDAY, SEPT. 15 | 7 PM MOODY PERFORMANCE HALL

#### ETERNAL LIGHT

Requiem Gabriel Jackson Sunrise Mass Ola Gjeilo

Gabriel Jackson's astounding new composition creates an unforgettable experience discovering an artistic reflection of life beyond mortality. The Sunrise Mass of Ola Gjeilo compliments this view of eternity with atmospheric, mystical sounds coupled with sacred texts. Tickets: \$25 at hppres.org/concerts.

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Highland Park Chorale & Orchestra



FRIDAY, NOV. 3 | 7 PM

#### **ALL SAINTS**

Requiem Maurice Duruflé

The annual commemoration of All Saints' Day serves as the Christian remembrance of loved ones who are no longer with us while reinforcing faith in eternal life. The Requiem of Maurice Duruflé serves as the perfect medium to display this faith through artistic voice.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 1 | 7 PM

## CLASSICAL CHRISTMAS

Serenity (O Magnum Mysterium) Ola Gjeilo Magnificat Johann Sebastian Bach O Magnum Mysterium Morten Lauridsen

The brilliant, timeless Magnificat of sacred music's greatest composer, Johann Sebastian Bach displays the exuberant joy and profound wisdom in Mary's response to the news that she would give birth to the Messiah. The ancient poem O Magnum Mysterium set by two modern American composers surround Bach's masterwork.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 8 | 7 PM

#### **FAMILY CHRISTMAS**

Ding Dong, Merrily on High Mack Wilberg
Sussex Carol Mack Wilberg
Gloria John Rutter
O Holy Night Gary Fry
Silent Night John Rutter
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly Mack Wilberg
The First Nowell Mack Wilberg
Joy to the World Mack Wilberg

Bring the entire family for an hour of joy-filled holiday music, including some great opportunities to sing familiar Christmas carols.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 15 | 7 PM

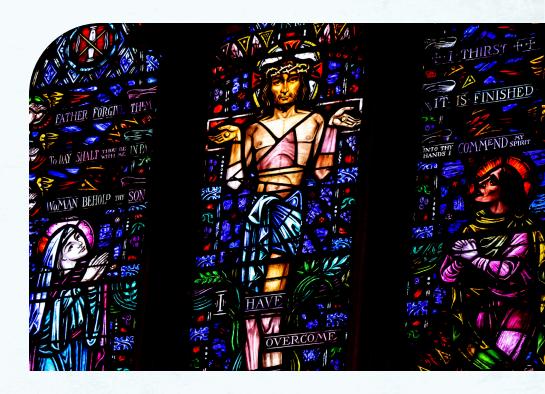
#### MESSIAH

Messiah George Frideric Handel

The Christmas holiday season is most fulfilling when you experience the Highland Park live performance of Messiah in December.

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Highland Park Chorale & Orchestra

NaGuanda Nobles Soprano Hilary Grace Taylor Alto Roderick George Tenor David Grogan Bass



# SATURDAY, MARCH 23 | 3 PM MOODY PERFORMANCE HALL

## MOTHER OF SORROWS

Stabat Mater Antonín Dvořák

A haunting, operatic, passionate concert that focuses on the extraordinary grief experienced by Mary, the mother of Jesus, as she watched him suffer and die, Antonin Dvorák's Stabat Mater is a remarkable musical, spiritual journey using the text of the 13th century Latin hymn. Tickets: \$25 at hppres.org/concerts.

PERFORMED BY
Highland Park Chorale & Orchestra

NaGuanda Nobles Soprano Alissa Anderson Alto Roderick George Tenor Kevin Burdette Bass



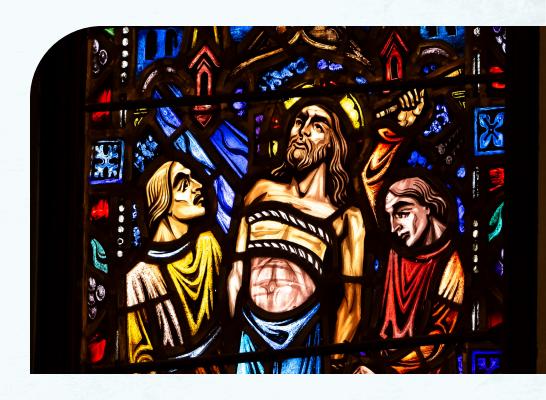
THURSDAY, MARCH 28 | 7 PM

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY

Prelude Alan Bullard
Os Justi Anton Bruckner
Be Thou My Vision John Rutter
The Crossing Ola Gjeilo
Sacred Heart Ola Gjeilo
Agnus Dei & Lux Æterna Morten Lauridsen

On the night before he was crucified, Jesus met with his disciples to encourage them to love one another and live in unity. This profound moment is captured in Highland Park's annual Maundy Thursday service of communion and musical reflection.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 29 | 7 PM

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

St. John Passion Bob Chilcott

The final moments of Jesus' suffering and death are portrayed in this personal, heartfelt composition. Soaring melodies that lift the spirt reveal a sense of faith, hope, and love even while witnessing the earthly death of the savior.

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#### THURSDAY, JUNE 13 | 7:30 PM MEYERSON SYMPHONY CENTER

#### SEASON FINALE

#### Grande Messe des Morts Hector Berlioz

A magnificent exhibition of sound, sight, and spirit—the Grande Messe des Morts of Hector Berlioz stretches emotion and passion to extremes. This larger-than-life experience is an overwhelming realization of the hallowed liturgical Requiem text. The world-famous Meyerson Symphony Center is the perfect setting for this spectacle.

Tickets: \$25-\$75 at hppres.org/concerts.

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Church Chancel Choir, & Orchestra