THE RHS FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT PRESENTS:





THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 2021

7:00 PM

Rockwall High School Performing Arts Center



2021 Winter Extravaganza

FEATURING THE ROCKWALL HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT

#### **Rockwall High School Bands**

Brandon Downs, Director Associate Directors: Carol Meadows, Russell Lancaster, Chris Clark

### **Rockwall High School Choirs**

Leia Browning, Director Parker Lessmann, Associate Director

#### **Rockwall High School Orchestras**

Hannah Smith, Director Jackson Hocott, Associate Director

### Winter Extravaganza PROGRAM

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel Steve Dunn Lauren Dulac - vocal solo: Lorien Britt - flute solo: Carissa Heimer - violin solo Chorale & Symphony Full Orchestra

Mary Had a Baby

arr. Philip Kern

Christmas at the Movies

**Concert Band** 

African Bell Carol

**Concert Band** 

Ding-a Ding-a Ding

arr. Greg Gilpin

**Treble Select** 

I Saw Three Ships

Mack Wilberg, arr. Richard C. Gipson **Percussion Ensemble** 

Trepak P.I. Tchaikovsky, arr. Sandra Dackow Concert & String Orchestras

Christmas Eve / Sarajevo 12/7 arr. Bob Phillips Glenn Goodwin - drumset; Collin Goodwin - electric bass; Ben Padilla - electric guitar **Combined Orchestras** 

Gaudete! arr. Michael Engelhardt Brynna Carpenter, Madison Josephson, Jenna Nega, Noel Nelms - opening soloists Chorale Women & Percussion Ensemble

## Sting

arr. John Moss

arr. Robert W Smith

### Winter Extravaganza PRÓGRAM continued

A Yuletide Memory

Symphonic Band

A Solitary Wish

**Brian Balmaaes** Amirjon Latipov - piano; Kate Winegeart - 1st Violin solo; Jack Rice - 2nd Violin solo; Jadyn Coleman - viola solo; Toluwani Oni - cello solo; Jirden Ware - bass solo see program notes

#### **Junior Varsity Orchestra**

**A Festive Fanfare** 

Philharmonic Full Orchestra

Brightest & Best

arr. Shawn Kirchner

Carissa Heimer - violin solo; Emily Howard - piano accompanist Combined Men & Junior Varsity Orchestra

Mary Did You Know?

arr. Pentatonix

Walk the Line

Christmas on Broadway

arr. Higgins

Chorale & Symphony Full Orchestra

Sleigh Ride

Lerov Anderson

Symphony Full Orchestra

O Holy Night

Choir & Symphony Full Orchestra

orr. Fettke

arr. Barrett

**Brian Balmages** 



### DICS ADDA A SOLITARY WISH From the Composer

I learned an amazing lesson before I began this piece. While I consider myself to be a "good" person, I read a friend's comment about seeing a homeless woman named Joyce outside of Target. Joyce needed a new pair of shoes because it was getting cold outside and she only had sandals. My friend decided to get her some shoes, but also decided to buy her lunch and some extra food. During this time, my friend asked Joyce, "How will you heat up canned soup?" and she replied, "Usually the microwave at 7-Eleven works." My friend continued, "Why don't you get the big peanut butter?" and Joyce replied, "Because it is too heavy to carry around." While the two shopped, my friend noticed that every single person around them averted their eyes as they walked by. It gave her a tremendous amount of perspective and a desire to be much more empathetic in the future. Hearing this, I thought the same thing.

A few hours later, I was standing outside a food store with my kids and there was a man outside asking for food. I watched quite a few people walk by him, some saying "Sorry" as they passed by, but most of them not even looking at him or acknowledging him when he spoke to them. Finally, with my new "perspective" in hand, I walked up to the man and asked him if he was okay. All he needed was something to drink and a little bit of food. I took him into the store with me and bought him something.

The man's name was Bruce. He was 32 years old. He had three kids – two in elementary school and one in middle school. He acknowledged that he made plenty of mistakes in life, but said he is trying really hard to get back up on his feet and live in the area so he can be close to his kids. We chatted for a bit before I had to run and get my youngest to a soccer game. As we were leaving, he held the door open for us and said thanks. "It's hard when people ignore you all day long. Thanks for stopping."

# A SOLITARY WISH

With the holiday season approaching, the contrast struck me hard. Many of us are already making our "lists" and others are bugging us for theirs so they can start their shopping early. We are annoyed because we have to go to several house on Thanksgiving Day, or open gifts at several homes (or travel) during the holiday season. And then the reality of someone like Joyce or Bruce – they wish for food, water, and for someone to notice them.

There are many holiday pieces about everything you can imagine. This one begins with a single individual (a cello soloist) just asking to be noticed while everyone walks by – some dropping a few coins or a dollar but avoiding conversation at all cost. As the music develops, we experience a wide range of emotions as the joy of the holidays is juxtaposed with solitude. Ultimately, in this particular story, the individual is joined by another, and eventually there are four of them together (the quartet). As a couple people begin to leave, one stays behind (a violin soloist) and the person's wish comes true.

Please share this story with your audience. It is my hope that this piece will spread awareness and help individuals all over the world. Donate your time, donate a small amount to charity or shelter, or just smile and say hello. You may just make someone's wish come true.

- Brian Balmages

Wind Ensemble

#### Flute

Karlee Bell Lorien Britt (piccolo) Angel Diaz-Romanos Jaelynn Gussie Savannah Jones Joshua Tripon

#### Oboe

Noella Barron Owen Waterman

#### Bassoon

C. Almazan-Briones Gabrielle Gunn

#### **Bb** Clarinet

Henry Dinh Ryleigh Ford Jace Garcia Alfonso Martinez (Bb/Eb) Allyson Verret Nathan Von

#### **Bass Clarinet**

Meredith Carter Daniel Iheme

#### Alto Saxophone

Maya Conway Ethan Lambert Tenor Saxophone Caedmon Swindle

#### Baritone Saxophone Austin Smith

#### Trumpet

Andrew Aulbaugh Jacob Bradford Michael Collins Alejandro Martinez Aidan O'Neill Ren Shannon Abraham Smith

#### **French Horn**

Addison Brown Jackie Hayes Ethan Hoover Ryan Manning Brett Ramirez

#### Trombone

Horacio Arenas Burke Felfe Jayden Hodkinson

Tuba Collin Goodwin

Euphonium Kaden Haack Ava Wormsbaker

Symphonic Band

#### Flute

Joseph Aiello Brooklyn Dodd Jaelynn Gussie Courtney Iadanza Evan Miller Jadon Vo

#### Oboe

Lizzie Burau Jaemin Griswold

#### Bassoon

Ryder Duncan

#### **Bb** Clarinet

Parker Borton Rylee Braaten Hannah Escanuela Hannah Hartgrove Emerie Kozlowski

Bass Clarinet Carlos Valladares

#### Alto Saxophone

Cameron Coppedge Danielle Iadanza Madisyn Rosenberg

#### Tenor Saxophone Madeleine Blackburn

Baritone Saxophone Jake Day

#### Trumpet

Peyton Cunningham Lino Espinosa MaKayla Espinosa Paige Fuqua Illijah Gonzales John LaGrange Will Moore

#### **French Horn**

Allison Adcock Noah Bennett Daniel Ghebremeskel Evan Haack Cissa Northrop Campbell Thiel Greg Wein

#### Trombone

David Crowell Pierce Cunningham Jackson Fluck Joseph Hughes Evan Lilly Ayden Valencia

#### Baritone

Will Bearden Alex Chinn

#### Tuba

Gabriel Enciso Aidan Welch

Concert Band

Flute Makayla Molthan Jacob Stephen

#### **Bb** Clarinet

Julia Epley Erin Lawson Jacob Osborne Aldo Sostenes Aiden Suazo Teanna Taylor Sofia Torres Shirley

#### Bass Clarinet

Angela Morehead

#### Alto Sax

Mylie Christian Dmitri Mickelson Cameron Throgmorton Avalon Winchel

#### **Tenor Sax**

Seamus Greene Carter Sullivan

#### Trumpet

Hannah Baker Lena Danford Carter DeMoville Benjamin Hernandez David Lewis Ty Mazzuca Kasey Mohr Zach Rathje Fernando Rodriguez Parker Rollins Breanna Taylor

#### **French Horn**

Haley Adcock TylerAllen Grant Croom Matthew Hoag Silas Layman Jaken Powell Kohl (Soloman)Wright

#### Trombone

Benjamin Carroll Reese Junco Brady Myers Kaylie Thomas David Titsworth Austin Welch

#### Euphonium

Connor Galyon (Benfer) James Young

Tuba Malachi Merrill

Permssion Ensemble

Van Abrego Isaac Brownlee Nicholas Colon Cody Conn Donovan Eillis Ewan Flisowski Glenn Goodwin Evan Hampton Tyler Hughes-Garcia Payton Larson Alex Nance Cole Pacot Sid Rivera-Santiago Riley Shoemaker Ben Smith Ethan Swanson Sam Swindle Caden Tran Jack Tarpley Annabelle Yeo



Chorale

Megumi Bennett Isabella Brewer Isaac Brownlee **Evan Bush** Brynna Carpenter Abby Clements Maya Coffey Madilynn Conley Jackson Cox **Tyler Daniels** Madelynn Davis Nino De La Torre Paulet Del Castillo Irene Dokyi Rose-Marlyn Dokyi Lauren Dulac Jacob Ewing Fwan Flisowski William Forness Kaitlyn Foster Sophia Garner Renata Garza **Kyle Gibson** Anne Gilliland Michael Gimenez-Lowery Jaylynn Gober

Dasha Gorman Sydney Griffith Charlotte Groark Valerie Guerra Kyla Hampton Austin Harvey Madison Hesser Drew Hinton Jayden Hodkinson Colten Hoevers Kaya Houston **Emily Howard** Hannah Howard Madison Idels Nailah Jappah Kaitlyn Joseph Madison Josephson Garrett Smith Sofia Keiser Matthew Kula Tenley Laun Aimee Lewis Jordan Lugo Alesia Lynskey Caitlyn Maddox Amanda Massey Kaitlyn McClendon

William Mees Madison Morris **Robert Mosley** Princess Ndinjiakat Jenna Nega Noel Nelms Gavin Orent Sarah Pecoraro **Tucker Pierce** Benjamin Portillo-Thomas Jace Poynter Kaylen Pruitt Molly Schalk Leah Shrage Noah Sisco Caden Smith Addison Sparks Haley Swann **Owen Vaughan** Ella Vinci Angela Walters Kyra Waterman Lucas Watson Gabrielle White **Robert White** Michael Wilhite

Treble Select

Kiera Ames Contessa Barron **Rylee Bustillos** Savanna Cantrell Felicity Channell Mylie Christian Lauren Clayton Lucia Colmenero Cecily Compton Amelia Cook Hope Crawford Cassia Darrington Allison Davis Meegan Doherty Karlee Douglass Madison Fanara Samantha Ferguson Mea Foley Brianna George Sarah Gibbs Ava Gooden Rachel Hanna Vivi Hatton Ava Hicks

Haven Hodges Hannah Huff Tristen Kersey Alexis Kozlowski Christa Kratzmeyer Eliza Lackey Genesis Lafayette Alana Lemons Kathryn Lincecum Ashlyn Lones Alyson Merrell Olivia Miller Sophia Momsen Olivia Morales Inietta Ntekim Flsie Okeke Nicole Okeke Landyne Olive Gia Pardo Teagan Pevler Nadia Reyna Emberlea Rhea Lucy Rice Ahayla Roberts

Hailey Robertson Isabella Rogers Jacqueline Roorda Angelica Roque Persia Roque Carolina Salas Teresa Sandejo Karsten Schaffhauser Dorina Smajli Rebecca Smyth Nya Solares Saylor Stevenson Ava Stucker Kinsley Swinger Grace Tanner Savannah Taylor Etieno Ukpong Ailani Valdez Allison Verner Annabelle Walvoord Cedria Wheaton Presley Wiley Loren Wilkerson Kathryn Winegeart Katelin Zeller

Jacket Men

Dayne Decker William Gardner Jude Gray **Brooks Head** Odell Holland Matthew Johnson Ray Kizzie **Clayton Larman** Ethan Likezo Caden McKenzie Emmanuel Miriti Chimaobi Nwajagu Isaiah Oviedo **Peyton Powell** Daniel Ramirez Daniel Rumczikas Elijah Rushdan Cole Scheffer Aaron Smyth Jeremy Thomison Noah Vinci Ethan Vipond **Robert Wallace** Demarion Williams

Walk the Line

Nino De La Torre Lauren Dulac Jacob Ewing Sophia Garner Renata Garza Jaylynn Gober Madison Josephson Matthew Kula Tenley Laun Jordan Lugo Noel Nelms Noah Sisco Caden Smith Gabrielle White

Sting

Isabella Brewer Abby Clements Paulet Del Castillo Irene Dokyi Rose-Marlyn Dokyi Anne Gilliland Sydney Griffith Kyla Hampton Madison Idels Nailah Jappah Kaitlyn Joseph Aimee Lewis Amanda Massey Madison Morris Jenna Nega Kaylen Pruitt Haley Swann Ella Vinci

Varsity Orchestra

#### 1st Violin

Thanh Bui Carissa Heimer Preston Hunter Mindy Le Michelle Leek Roman Patrick Adele Roorda Grace Tatom Mia Vu

#### 2nd Violin

Carly Braaten Lily Byrd Karen Calderon Jake Cummings Paige Harvey Elias Hernandez Jacob Limerick Adara Smithey Cicily Tran

#### Viola

Olivia Beaty Irene Katsanis Siah Maslo Amanda Massey Ben Padilla Lucy Rice Jesse Sellman Katharine Somerville Terra Tougaw Noah Whitehouse Sam Wray

#### Cello

C. Almazan-Briones Brad Binns Cameron Bond Alexander Hoang Amelia McDaniel Emile Meyrat Grady Pennington Leah Rocha Maddie Stovall

#### Bass

Harrison DeLong Adam Goucher Apryl Henry

## Junior Varsity Orchestra

#### Violin

David Chacko Cody Conner **Reese Everhart** Robert Homan Bella Lopez James Martin 7orena Palmer Autumn Park Laci Parsons Jack Rice Kate Rohde Connor Sinks Tesia Smithey Jonathan Sun Lucas Tabira Velani Thompson Madalyn Urban Anastacia Wilbeck Sydney Wilson Kathryn Winegeart

#### Viola

Soren Avery Adam Chalambaga Jadyn Coleman Nahom Gherbremaskel Amirjon Latipov Tylar Parker Katie Vazquez

#### Cello

Madison Angelo Contessa Barron Kaley Cock Jaelynn Gussie Giancarlos Guzman Jessica Jones Toluwani Oni Sydney Shepherd Alex West Braden Woolley

#### Bass

Jirden Ware

String Orchestra

#### Violin

Makenzi Burns **Devan Cervantes** Jerry Cordy Vea Amor Diaz **Richard Dinh** Sebastian Garcia Noah Gordon Kaitlyn Hays Ariyah Jones Graci Mohan Kagonya Ogola Samira Rincon Valeria Rocha Karsten Roth Mia Scott Amari Singleton Oluwapelumi Thomas **Rhoswyn Wallace** Noah Wilson Autumn Witt

#### Viola

Lilia Bloomfield Daniella Gonzalez Gabriel Guadagno Branden Lopez Nathan Vance

#### Cello

Luna Arslan Haylee Blanco Chloe Charbonneau Josh Griswold Audrey Holt Ethan McCrillis Billy Phinney-Hernandez Blake Sewell Xander Verwulst

#### Bass

Abigail Braden Ireland Gill Brenna Napier

Concert Orchestra

#### Violin

Joselyne Barron Max Burau Brock Griffith Bethany Haack Haleigh Hurst AJ Jablonsky Allison Lucas Nathan Rincon Adriana Soto Alanis Sean Spiers

#### Cello

Luke Geisinger Dean Gutierrez Avery Heinz Elias Jahner Sarah Riggs Reid Urban Rachel Wells Noah Young

#### Viola

Belicia Carrillo Jack Cuppett Jabin Gregory Logan Long Tyler Pople

#### Bass

Odell Holland Ashley Rivera

WEWISH knowledge & Than WHO HAVE MADE THIS EVENING POSSIBLE

Dr. John "JJ" Villarreal, RISD Superintendent Ben Sumrak, RISD Fine Arts Director Kevin Samples, RHS Principal Richard Terry, Associate Principal Shanon Zais, Associate Principal Dr. Jeffrey Chandler, RHS Assistant Principal David Gear, RHS Assistant Principal Angela Kwong, RHS Assistant Principal Dr. Marie Olivarez, RHS Assistant Principal

#### AND OUR

Booster Clubs

The Rockwall High School Choir Booster Club The Rockwall High School Orange Wave Booster Club The Rockwall High School Stinger Strings Booster Club

Please join our booster organizations for a reception following the concert in the lobby. We wish you and your families a wonderful winter break.