

PALM SPRINGS GAY MEN'S CHORUS



Artistic Director: Douglas C. Wilson Accompanist: Joel Baker

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Welcome

Men's Chorus celebrates its seventeenth either one of the small ensembles to season as the premiere gay men's perform for your next party or special chorus in the Coachella Valley. Since event, please call us at 760-219-2077. 2012 we've doubled our membership, expanded our audience, improved our Springs Gay Men's Chorus is also a financial stability and increased our major community "voice" having sung musical quality. Our priorities are to for a number of large-scale events: move forward by looking back at our Equality California Awards, Desert very significant past, taking the best AIDS Walk, Greater Palm Springs Pride practices of those who organized this Parade, Living Desert Major Donor group, and presenting a new, unified, Dinner, McCallum Theatre Gala and unique and diverse face to the Palm the Festival of Lights Parade. We also Springs community.

need to diversify our fifteen member in the Palm Springs and Desert Sands board of directors. Our board is Unified School Districts. comprised of seven singing members and eight non-singing members. Each Men's Chorus Board of Directors, we director chairs or supports a working thank you for joining us for our "Brassy, committee. These hard working and Classy, Sassy" holiday concert. We hope dedicated volunteers donate countless to see you at our February concert "A hours to ensure that our concerts and Grand Night for Singing," or at our April membership functions are supported.

This past year, we added two new incredible ensembles to enable us to do a wide array of community events and private functions. Vocal Harmonics, directed by Mark Austin, performs a variety of choral works. The Arrangement, directed by Bruce Kenyon, sings traditional barbershop

Our 80-member Palm Springs Gay harmonies. If you would like to hire

Beyond making music, the Palm continue our work on anti-bullying and Internally, we have addressed the support of the gay-straight alliances

> On behalf of the Palm Springs Gay Spring concert "Fascinatin' Rhythm."



Happy Holidays!

David A. Sanchez President

Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus

MISSION STATEMENT

To be a chorus of gay men who, through musical excellence, community outreach and civic responsibility, are dedicated to entertaining, inspiring, and educating the culturally diverse community in which we live.

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Douglas C. Wilson, Artistic Director

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Steve Baker

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Jay Baumgartner
Paul Brawner
Bruce Chartier *
James Clossin
Asa DeMatteo
Simeon Den
Art Healey
Allan H. Jensen
Alan McPhail +
Chris Rebman
David Sanchez
Darr Sandberg
Ernie Santora
Jim Tennessen

Tenor 2

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Bill Butler
Jerry Chism
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Ted Fox
Jeff Hocker
Stephen Hockett
Bob Hogg
Bruce Kenyon +
Danny Kopelson
Skip Lang
Jim Lawrence
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Rick Mauery *
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Michael McKeehen

Al Meritt Tom Reinberg David Robinson Rob Thomas Mark Wilson

Baritone Neil Badham

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Bass

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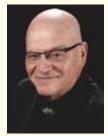
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^{*} Section Manager + Section Leader # Leave of Absence

BIOGRAPHIES

Douglas C. Wilson Artistic Director



Douglas C. Wilson earned a Bachelor's Degree in Choral Music at Michigan State University and a Masters in Music Performance (Organ) from Arizona State

University. Mr. Wilson is retired from the Clark County School District, Las Vegas, Nevada, where he was an Elementary Music Specialist and an Elementary School Principal for 30 years. Doug also served as church musician/organist at Community Lutheran Church, Las Vegas for more than 26 years. He has performed organ recitals in California, Arizona, Nevada and Michigan. He was Accompanist/ Assistant Director of the Las Vegas Master Singers and Southern Nevada Musical Arts Society. Doug continues to use his musical skills as an accompanist for musical theater in the Coachella Valley. He has worked with music and theater students at John Glen Middle School. Roy Cree Middle School, La Quinta High School and Cathedral City High School. He was recently appointed organist at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Palm Desert. Doug lives in Rancho Mirage with his husband, Tom Reinberg.

Joel Baker PSGMC Accompanist



Joel Baker is a native of the Seattle area, and received his Bachelor's degree in Music at The University of Washington, where he studied with

international concert pianist Robin McCabe. While in Seattle, Joel played piano at Nordstrom for fifteen years. Upon moving to the desert in 2003, he began playing in various venues, and currently plays for Les Michael's "Applause Wednesdays," an open mic for singers at Three Sixty North. Joel is also pianist for "The Judy Show," starring Michael Holmes, and for Jim Borax's California Cabaret. He serves as a staff accompanist at College Of The Desert, and is on the faculty of Midsummer Musical Retreat in Walla Walla, WA. Joel lives in Palm Springs with his husband, Don Vasconcelos, and is honored to mark his third season as main accompanist for the PSGMC. www.misterpiano.com.

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Trumpets — John Triblehorn, Michael Richardson, Matt Ingleson, Jillian Bacon

Trombones — Brian Bergstrom, David Ritland, Robert Hunt

Tuba — Michael Weldon **Percussion** — Ray Lindsey, Nathan Parrot **Bass** – Michael Menduno **Drums** – Douglas Dean

BIOGRAPHIES

Mark C. Austin Director, Vocal Harmonics



Originally hailing from Portland Maine, Mark holds degrees in computer science and music education. He earned a Master of Music degree from New England Conservatory,

with doctoral level study in voice and choral conducting at the Eastman School of Music. Mark taught music at the Elementary, Secondary and Post-Secondary level, was formerly Director of Choral Music at Providence College, and has been a regular guest lecturer at Stanford University, University of California, and Cornell University.

Mark has been involved with the gay choral movement since 1983 having sung with the choruses in Boston, Portland, Chicago, and in San Francisco where he served as assistant conductor.

Mark has also been a pipe-organ builder and restorer for the past 22 years. He now works as a consultant in the pipe organ industry, a professional musician, and a massage therapist here in Palm Springs.

Bruce Kenyon Director, The Arrangement



At age 16, Bruce Kenyon became the youngest member ever to be selected to sing with the Oakland Symphony Chorus. He was introduced to Barbershop music at

the U.S. Naval Academy, where he sang Tenor in the USNA Quartet for all four years. Highlights included performances at the White House, and with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra. The high point of his vocal achievement was competing at the Barbershop Harmony Society's International Championship competition, where his quartet "Main Event" was a semi-finalist. Bruce has sung and held numerous leadership positions with the San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus, the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles, and now the Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus, where he proudly serves as founder and director of "The Arrangement", PSGMC's new Barbershop Chorale.

Vocal Harmonics: Mark Austin, Director and Kurt Jordan, Accompanist

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The Arrangement: Bruce Kenyon, Director and Kurt Jordan, Accompanist

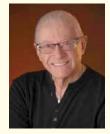
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BIOGRAPHIES

Robert Tall Guest Organist



Robert has devoted most of his life to music. Advanced studies at the University of Utah culminated in 1967 with a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Music and

Psychology. During his student years, he was a frequent quest recitalist at the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City, Utah. Following receipt of his degrees, he moved to Los Angeles. Shortly after moving to Los Angeles, Robert was appointed Principal Organist and Featured Artist at the Hollywood Bowl Easter sunrise Services, a position he held for twelve years. In 2008, he became a member of the prestigious Recording Academy and was elevated to the status of Voting Member for the Grammy® Awards. His CD, Land of Hope and Glory, which includes his composition, I Am An American, was nominated for a Grammy® for best Solo Performance without an Orchestra. Founded in 1986, Robert continues to serve as president of his company, Robert Tall & Associates, Inc., one of the world's leading distributors of classical organs and digital music systems. Based in Palm Springs, California, RTA is the Rodgers representative for the Southern Nevada and Northern California areas. Beyond music, Robert actively supports organizations and programs that care for the welfare of underprivileged children.

Kurt Jordan Accompanist



Kurt Jordan developed an intense interest in learning the piano after having seen *The Phantom of the Opera* with his parents at age 10. He studied under the guidance of Joann

Algier throughout middle and high school, during which time he discovered a love of music using multiple pianos. This passion was further explored at Azusa Pacific University while studying with Dr. Robert Sage. Kurt performed several recitals of material he arranged for two and three pianos, the recordings of which have received radio play in Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Boston, Austin, and Beirut. In 2009, Kurt had the honor of performing the West Coast premiere of Alvin Curran's 7.5 hour long piano song cycle, Inner Cities 1-13, as well as the U.S. premiere of movement 14 at Burning Man in 2013. Kurt graduated from Azusa Pacific University in 2010 with a BA in Music Theory and Composition.

In 2013, Kurt became the accompanist for two small groups within the PSGMC. Most recently, he has been involved as the accompanist for Songshine, a non-profit organization that teaches speech therapy through music for people with Parkinson's disease and stroke.

BIOGRAPHIES

Martin Coogan Sign Language Interpreter



Martin has been involved in music and theater, in some fashion, since his youth as a dancer/choreographer. His talents include being a DJ, costume designer, hair and make-up

artist, as well as assisting in direction and producing. When he stepped into the

signing world in 1995, in the beginning, Martin would watch performance interpreters and be in awe and think, that was not possible for a person whose second language is ASL. All that changed, when he moved to the valley from Seattle, nearly ten years ago. "It is a privilege and an honor to be the signer for the Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus!"

BRASSY, CLASSY, SASSY Sing-along

Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer

Men of the Chorus:

You know Dasher and Dancer and Prancer and Vixen Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen But do you recall the most famous reindeer of all?

Audience:

Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer had a very shiny nose
And if you ever saw it, you would even say, it glows.
All of the other reindeer used to laugh and call him names
They never let poor Rudolph join in any reindeer games.
Then one foggy Christmas Eve, Santa came to say,
Rudolph with your nose so bright, won't you guide my sleigh tonight?
Then all the reindeer loved him, and they shouted out with glee,
Rudolph, the red-nosed Reindeer you'll go down in history.

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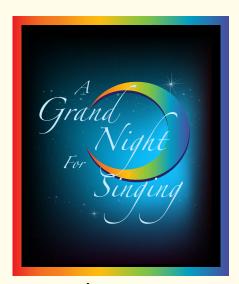
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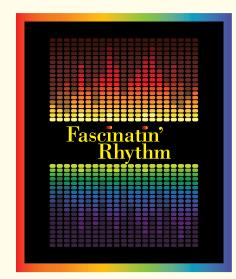


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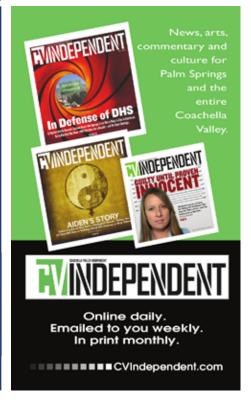
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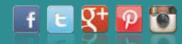
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Hodie by John Leavitt

Hodie Christus natus est

Today is Christ born;

Noe Noe Hodie

Noel Noel Today

Hodie Salvator apparuit:

Today the Savior has appeared;

Hodie in terra canunt Angeli,

Today the Angels sing,

Laetantur Archangeli:

The Archangels rejoice;

Hodie exsultant justi, dicentes:

Today the righteous rejoice, saying:

Gloria in excelsis Deo, alleluja.

Glory to God in the highest. Alleluia!

If Love Should Count Your Worthy by James Q. Mulholland

If love should count you worthy, and should deign One day to seek your door and be your guest, Pause! Ere you draw the bolt and bid him rest, If in your old content you would remain.

For not alone he enters; In his train are angels of the mists, the lonely quest. Dreams of the unfulfilled and unpossessed, And sorrow and life's immemorial pain.

He wakes desires you never will forget, He shows you stars you never saw before, He makes you share with him for evermore, The burden of the world's divine regret.

How wise you were to open not! And yet, How poor if you should turn him from your door. If love should count you worthy.

BRASSY, CLASSY, SASSY

Translation and Lyrics

Gloria by John Rutter

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Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Glory to God in the highest.

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

And on earth peace to all of good will.

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.

We praise Thee. We bless Thee.

Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

We worship Thee. We glorify Thee.

Gratias agimus tibi. Propter magnam gloriam tuam.

We give thanks to Thee. For Thy great glory.

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Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,

Lord God, King of heaven,

Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.

God, our Father almighty. Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son.

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Who taketh away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Who taketh the away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Who sitteth at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

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Quoniam tu solus sanctus. Tu solus Dominus.

For thou alone art holy. Thou alone art the Lord.

Tu solus altisimus, Jesu Christe.

Thou alone most high, Jesus Christ.

Cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

With the Holy Spirit in glory of God Father. Amen.

We are grateful to Nelson Dodge, Church Keyboard Center, Monrovia, California, for the Rodgers Infinity Classic Organ 234 used in this performance.

BRASSY, CLASSY, SASSY

Hodie John Leavitt

Joined by Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus Hand Bell Choir

Salvation Is Created Paul Tschesnokoff

Joined by Brass Choir

Gloria Fanfare Jeffrey Ames

John Triblehorn, Michael Richardson, Matt Ingleson. Jillian Bacon, Trumpets

Every Valley John Ness Beck

arranged by Douglas C. Wilson

Joined by Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus Hand Bell Choir

Light The Legend Michael Isaacson

If Love Should Count You Worthy James Q. Mulholland

Keith Cornell, Horn

John Rutter Gloria

> Chorus, Brass, Percussion and Organ Robert Tall, Organist

I Allegro Vivace

Il Andante

Women's Voices of the Cathedral City High School Chamber Singers

III Vivace e Ritmico

~Intermission ~

Happy Birthday, Frank Sinatra

Kim Gannon and Walter Kent I'll Be Home For Christmas

arranged by Mark Hayes

Sharing Traditions

'Twas The Night Before Christmas Clement C. Moor and Ken Darby

arranged by Douglas C. Wilson

Nutcrackers

Leon Jessel and Ballard MacDonald Parade of the Wooden Soldiers When the Toy Soldiers March on Parade Jay Gialombardo and Bruce Kenyon Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus "The Arrangement", directed by Bruce Kenyon

BRASSY, CLASSY, SASSY

Holiday Family Letter

A Lovely Year William MacDuff and Allen Hill

Christmas Carols

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing arranged by Dean X Johnson

Allen H. Jensen, Soloist

arranged by Zack Grob and Joel Syphus Christmas Can Can

Palms Springs Gay Men's Chorus "Vocal Harmonics"

Directed by Mark Austin

Sing-A-Long: Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer

Memories

The House Where I Grew Up

Michael Shaieb

Silver Bells

Jay Livingston and Ray Evans arranged by Kevin Robison

Joined by Ray Cree Middle School "Applause", Directed by Yesenia Garcia Cathedral City High School Chamber Singers, Directed by Fides May LeRoy Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus Hand Bell Choir

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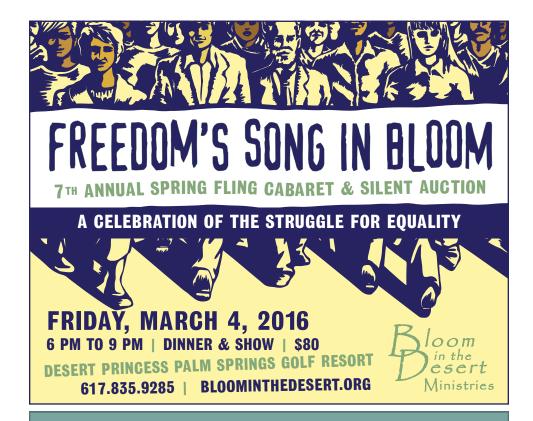
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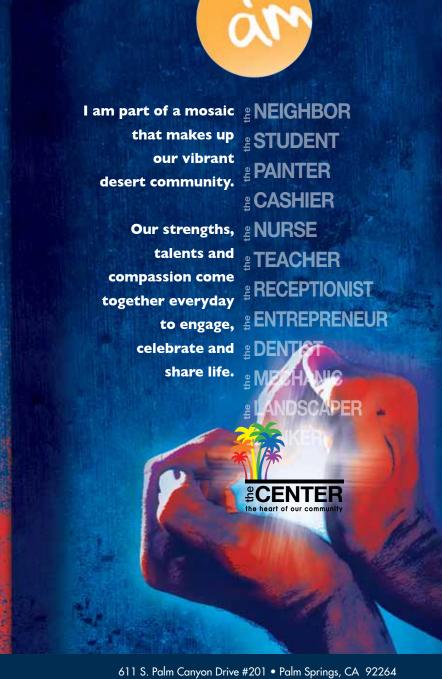












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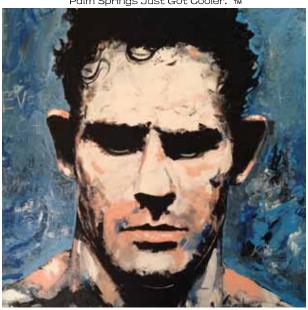
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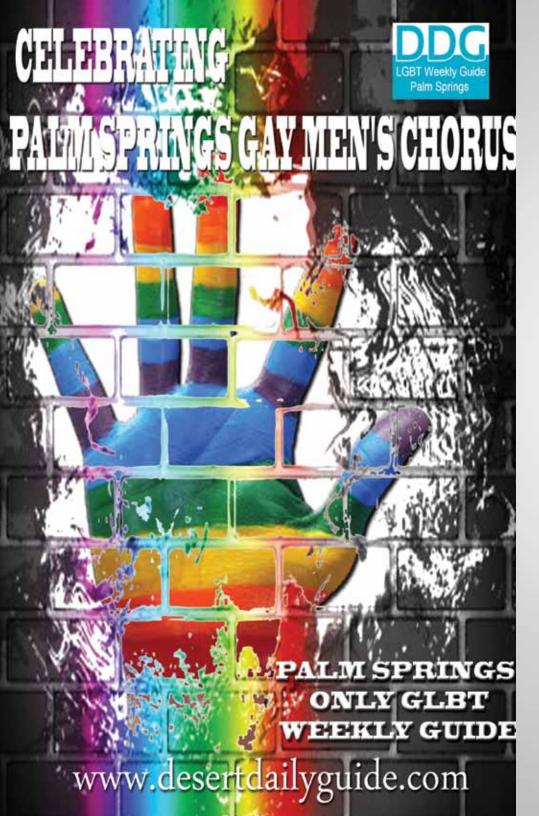


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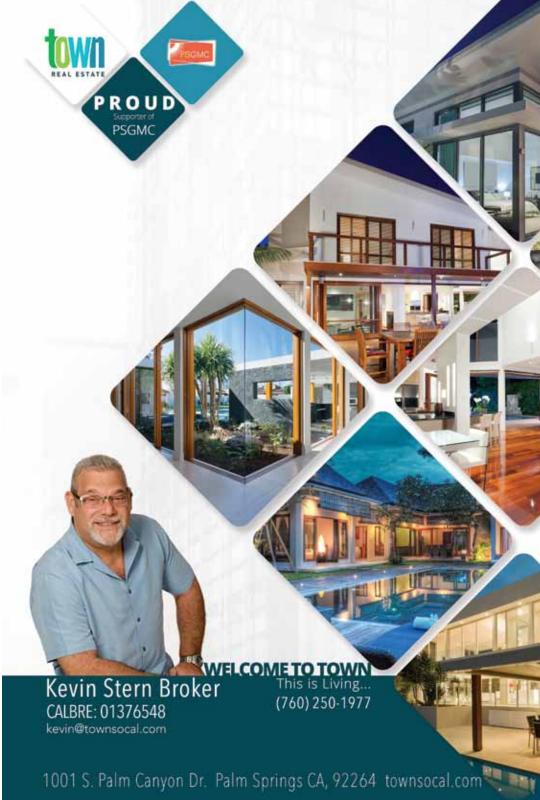
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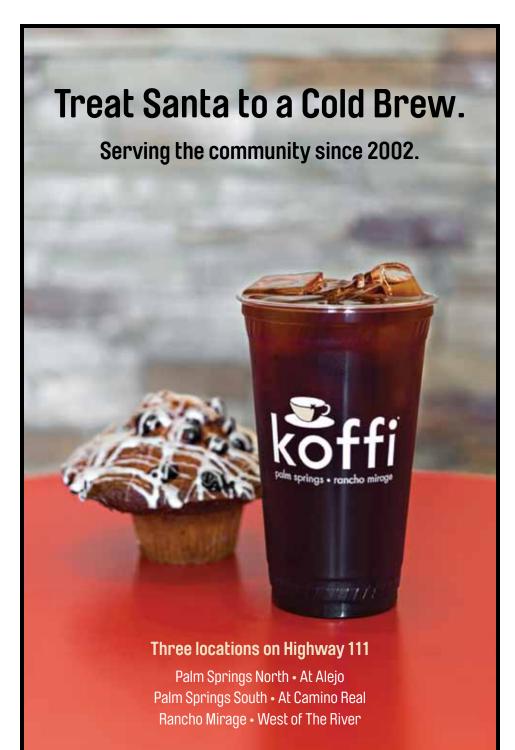
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