Put A Little

Love

In Your Heart

at 7:30pm

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Assistant Director

Elena Panchenko
Pianist

Stephanie Sant Children's Choir Conductor **Deborah Collins** Children's Choir Pianist

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Program Notes, Texts & Translations

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Program Order

Jocelyn Meyer, cello

Elaine Hagenberg

Elizabeth Chilton, Terry Keller, Victoria Sundin
J'aime bien
Anjuli Dodhia
"A Trip to the Library" from She Loves Me
Children's Choir
Sisi ni moja
Children's Choir
Put a Little Love in Your Heart Jackie DeShannon, Randy Myers, and Jimmy Holiday Violet Collins, solo arr. Cristi Cary Miller Paige Robertson, solo Matt Zook, drum kit
Kevin Hudson
"Am Meer" from SchwanengesangFranz Schubert
Mac Murphy
Heart AttackMitch Allan, Jason Evigan, Sean Douglas, Nikki Williams, Aaron Philips, and Demi Lovato
Chamber Choir
Five Hebrew Love Songs I. Temuná II. Kalá kallá III. Lárov IV. Éyze shéleg! V. Rakút Inga Kingsley, violin Ellen Grover-Fricks, spoken solo Terry Keller, soprano
Brian Collins & Deborah Collins
Both Sides, Now
Anya Cohen-Rehm & Rajal Cohen
My Love Is Like a Red, Red RosePietro Urbani Text by Robert Burns

Chamber Choir

Jill Freuden & Stephanie Sant

I'll Be Here......Colbie Caillat, Brett James, Babyface, and Jason Reeves

Lauren Ray

Chamber Choir

Dr. Matthew Myers

Director



Dr. Matthew Myers is beginning his second season as Artistic Director of the Palouse Choral Society. He serves as associate director of choral activities and assistant professor of choral music education at Washington State University. He conducts the University Singers and Treble Choir and teaches courses in music education methods and conducting. He is the co-host of the Choir Fam Podcast.

He earned his DMA in choral conducting at Louisiana State University, his master's degree in choral conducting at Northern Arizona University, and his bachelor's degree in vocal performance and music education at Luther

College. After completing his degree at Luther, he taught grades 6-12 choir at The American International School of Muscat in Oman. For the following five years, he worked as director of choirs and musical theatre at Boylan Catholic High School in Rockford, Illinois. In addition to conducting five choirs, he taught AP music theory, class piano, and critical thinking and coordinated a middle school choral program at four of Boylan's constituent grade schools. He has served as conductor of the NAU Men's Chorale and Chamber Singers, the LSU Chamber Singers, the Master Chorale of Flagstaff, and the Flagstaff Youth Chorale and has held church music positions in Iowa, Illinois, Louisiana, and Alabama. Prior to his time at WSU, Dr. Myers taught at the University of Alabama, where he conducted two choirs and taught courses in music appreciation, choral literature, vocal pedagogy, and diction. He is a frequent choral clinician, guest conductor, presenter, and adjudicator. Recent engagements include conducting the WSU Treble Choir at NAfME's Northwest Division Conference in Bellevue, WA; presenting at the NAfME National Conference in Washington, DC; and conducting the Idaho ACDA Middle School All-State Chorus in Pocatello, ID.

He has sung professionally with Red Shift, Coro Vocati, the Sedona Academy of Chamber Singers, and Elysian Voices, and he has also performed the tenor solos in works such as Bach's *Christ lag in Todensbanden*, Vaughan Williams's *Serenade to Music*, Bernstein's *Mass*, Johnson's *Considering Matthew Shepard*, Handel's *Messiah*, and Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass*.

Alisa Toy

Assistant Director



A coloratura soprano originally from Alberta, Canada, Alisa holds a MM in Vocal Performance and Choral Conducting from the University of Idaho and a Bachelors degree in Music Education from Mississippi University for Women. She performed in the role of Pamina in Mozart's *The Magic Flute* and Gertrude in *Hänsel and Gretel*. Her soloing opportunities include with the Palouse Choral Society, Washington Idaho Symphony, Mississippi State Symphony Choir and Orchestra, the Columbus Choral Society, and the Greeley Chorale and Philharmonic Orchestra. In addition to the U.S., Alisa soloed in Great Britain, Canada, and Italy including a concert for Pope Benedict XVI with the Rome Symphony Orchestra. She

recently won the University of Idaho Concerto/Aria Competition and placed first in the Southern Region NATS vocal competition while living in Mississippi. Alisa enjoyed teaching K-12 music for several years in public and private schools and is in her 30th year of teaching voice and piano through her private studio, Singingtoy Studio.







Stephanie Sant received her Bachelor of Music in K-12 Vocal Music Education and her Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Idaho. She studied voice with noted vocalist and professor Dorothy Barnes. Ms. Sant has taught K-6 General Music at A.B. McDonald Elementary School in Moscow and currently conducts the Moscow High School Choir and extra-curricular jazz choir Encore. She also teaches movement and dance at McDonald Elementary, her 25th year in Moscow School District. She has conducted the PCS children's choir for 5 years. Stephanie is active in the national music fraternity Sigma Alpha Iota, which promotes and supports music education and fine arts in schools and communities. She participates in American Choral Directors Association and the National Association for Music Education.

Ms. Sant enjoys singing in the Chamber Choir and Chorale and in the community as a soloist.

Deborah Collins

Children's Choir Pianist



Dr. Deborah Collins has been the Children's Choir pianist since 2022 and enjoys singing with the Chorale and Chamber Choir as well. She studied piano performance at Iowa State University prior to deciding to go into medicine and has accompanied university choirs, church choirs, and voice students, directed a youth choir, and sung with multiple collegiate and community choirs in the past. Dr. Collins is currently a family physician at WSU's Cougar Health Services and obtained her MD from Duke University School of Medicine and Master of Science in Public Health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She lives in Pullman with her husband Brian and their three daughters Sophie, Lucy, and Violet, all of whom have also sung with the Palouse Choral Society.

Elena Panchenko

Pianist



Elena Panchenko, born in Kharkiv, Ukraine, has been working with Palouse Choral Society since 2005. Elena is also the music director at St. James Episcopal Church, an accompanist for Washington State University vocal ensembles, an in-demand collaborative pianist, and a private piano teacher. In her spare time, Elena enjoys singing in a local Klezmer band, Gefiltetrout. She lives in Pullman with her husband Alex, a Washington State University math professor, her mother-in-law Margarita, and Amour, the family dog.

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