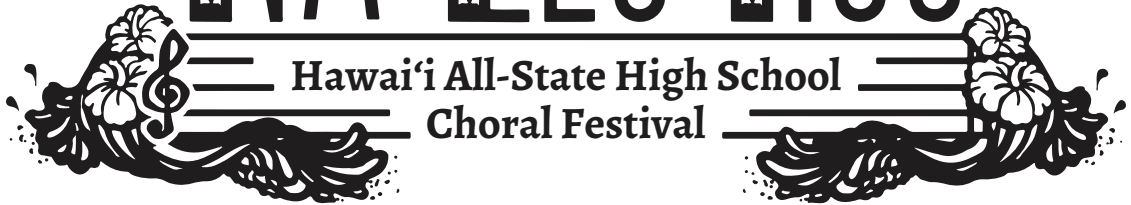


The **Hawai'i Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association**
and the **Hawai'i Youth Opera Chorus**

proudly present

NĀ LEO HOU



Saturday, February 13, 2016, 5:00 PM
Central Union Church, Honolulu, Hawai'i

Mr. Tesfa Yohannes Wondemagegnehu
Guest Conductor & Clinician

Ms. Jennifer Duerden
Accompanist



ABOUT ACDA

Founded in 1959, the **American Choral Directors Association** (ACDA) is a nonprofit music-education organization whose central purpose is to promote excellence in choral music through performance, composition, publication, research, and teaching. In addition, ACDA strives through arts advocacy to elevate choral music's position in American society.

Membership consists of choral directors who represent more than one million singers across the United States. Members teach choral music in public and private schools—kindergarten through senior high school—and at the college and university levels. They conduct a variety of choral groups, including boychoirs, children's choirs, men's and women's choruses, junior and senior high school choirs, college and university choruses, ethnic choirs, vocal-jazz ensembles, and symphony choruses. They also conduct choirs in their communities and in their places of worship.

The Association is divided into seven geographic regions/divisions, as well as fifty state chapters, each with its own conferences, newsletters, festivals, clinics, and workshops. Whether at the National, Division, or State level, ACDA is structured so that its members can easily involve themselves in the organization's activities.

In Hawai'i, the state chapter of ACDA serves as an invaluable resource for the choral community though the sponsorship of workshops, clinics, and membership meetings throughout the year. A major thrust of our efforts is to bring nationally recognized experts in choral music to the islands to work with our directors, choirs, and individual singers to create experiences that nurture a love of choral singing and deepens the ties among us in the choral community in the state.

For more information, visit www.acda.org and www.hawaiiacda.org.

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ABOUT HAWAI'I YOUTH OPERA CHORUS

Established in 1961, **Hawai'i Youth Opera Chorus** (HYOC) is Hawai'i's longest running and most advanced community youth choir. They offer a full spectrum of music education welcoming students, grades K–12 from any school on O'ahu. HYOC's welcomes all students regardless of ethnicity, religious preference, gender, or national origin.

Each year, HYOC serves approximately 1,200 students from nearly 100 schools either through weekly involvement with their Saturday Program or in participation through their outreach and festival programs. Participants range from absolute beginners to Hawai'i's finest young vocalists and musicians.

HYOC produces, on average, 20–30 concerts per year, half of which are free to the public including music concerts in elderly care facilities and other community venues. With a commitment to music education, the Hawai'i Youth Opera Chorus has been making music since 1961. HYOC helps to foster the personal and social growth of its members and promotes their self-esteem, as well as giving children a lifetime of music appreciation. All are invited to learn more about HYOC and how their young musicians are building a lifetime of music and arts participation.



ABOUT NĀ LEO HOU

This year's all-state festival strives to showcase the very best of choral education in Hawai'i. Over the past two days, in addition to learning five pieces with our world-renowned clinician Tesfa Wondemagegnehu, students have completed a musical sightreading test, learned a hula, and made new and lasting friendships. In the spirit of showcasing musical growth and excellence, the first portion of today's program will consist of adjudicated performances by several of our individual participating school and community choirs. The program will conclude with our Nā Leo Hou Festival Choir of more than 225 singers.



As the festival chorus takes the stage, a calabash offering will be taken. This offering helps support programs and festivals like Nā Leo Hou across our state. We sincerely hope you enjoy this afternoon's program!

COMING UP...



e hīmeni kākou

The Annual Collegiate Choral Festival of Hawai'i

**Free Public Concert Next Saturday
February 20, 2016, 7:00 PM at Central Union Church**

featuring choirs from
Hawai'i Pacific University, UH Mānoa, UH West O'ahu,
and Kapi'olani & Leeward Community Colleges

The Hawai'i Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association

Professional Development 2016

"Music Literacy in the Choral Setting"

HI-ACDA's Annual Education Event

with guest speakers, workshops, reading session, and more

Saturday, September 3, 2016

All day @ UH West O'ahu

ABOUT THE CLINICIAN



Tesfa Yohannes Wondemagegnehu, conductor of The Radio Choir from American Public Media and manager of APM's Choral Works Initiative, previously served as Assistant Artistic Director of VocalEssence in Minneapolis, Minnesota. As a high school teacher, he was named Orange County Public School's Teacher of the Year and received the Macy's National Magic of Teaching Award. He led his choirs in performances at state conventions of the American Choral Directors Association and the Florida Music Educators' Association, and most recently presented a clinic at the American Choral Directors Association National Conference.

Wondemagegnehu is widely in demand as a guest conductor and lecturer. He has presented workshops and conducted honor choirs in Iowa, Florida, Tennessee, Ohio, Minnesota, Utah, and Costa Rica. As a tenor soloist, he has performed both in the United States and internationally in Germany, Austria, and Hungary, and Costa Rica under the batons of such conducting luminaries as Krzysztof Penderecki, Dale Warland, André Thomas, Anton Armstrong, and Rodney Eichenberger.

Tesfa Yohannes Wondemagegnehu holds a Master of Music degree in Choral Conducting and Vocal Performance from the Florida State University and a Bachelor of Music degree in Vocal Performance from the University of Memphis.

ABOUT THE ACCOMPANIST

Jennifer Duerden is a special instructor of piano at BYU-Hawai'i. She earned her master's degree in accompanying at Florida State University and her bachelor's degree in piano Performance at Brigham Young University. Having started piano at a very young age, Jennifer has a lifetime of experience on the instrument with her artistic passion in the area of chamber music and accompanying. She has taught at Mississippi Valley State University, Holmes Community College in central Mississippi, and at Leon High School in Florida. In addition to her life as a pianist, she is also active as a performer on the steel pan and as a composer and arranger for steel bands.

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'IOLANI SCHOOL — HŌKŪLOA SINGERS

Mr. John Starr Alexander, Director

The Long and Winding Road John Lennon & Paul McCartney
arr. John Coates, Jr.

Thomas Morisada, soloist

ISLAND SCHOOL — ALAKA'I CHORUS

Mr. Philip Steinbacher, Director

La Vergine degli Angeli Giuseppe Verdi
arr. Philip Steinbacher

**KAPOLEI HIGH SCHOOL —
HURRICANE CHAMBER SINGERS**

Mr. Justin Ka'upu, Director

In Flanders Fields Paul Aiken

THE PRIORY — CHAMBER SINGERS

Ms. Naomi Castro, Director

Tiare traditional Tahitian
arr. Aaron Salā

SACRED HEARTS ACADEMY — CONCERT CHOIR

Dr. Alec Schumacker, Director

No Time traditional Camp Meeting Songs
arr. Susan Brumfield

SACRED HEARTS ACADEMY — SELECT CHOIR

Dr. Alec Schumacker, Director

Tundra. Ola Gjeilo

**HAWAI‘I YOUTH OPERA CHORUS —
GIOVENTU MUSICALE**

Ms. Nola A. Nahulū, Director

“Ohana” and “Pali‘uli,” from *La‘iekawai* Neil McKay

NĀ LEO HOU — MASS CHOIR

Gloria Antonio Vivaldi

Draw the Circle Mark A. Miller

Keep Your Lamps trad. African-American Spiritual
arr. André Thomas

E Ola Mau O Mo‘omomi Herb Mahelona

Dereva Ni Mungu Jake Runestad

Jennifer Duerden, Pianist

Tesfa Yohannes Wondemagegnehu, Conductor

ABOUT THE ADJUDICATORS

As a researcher and teacher, **Dr. Miguel Ángel Felipe** has focused on choral innovations in Indonesia and Southeast Asia, on concepts of the influence of choral societies in cultural development, and on conducting pedagogy. In addition, he has long been an advocate for new music, and he has commissioned and premiered dozens of works for chamber orchestra, wind ensemble, women's chorus, men's chorus, and mixed chorus. Director of choral activities and assistant professor of music at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa since 2011, he also serves as president of the Hawai'i chapter of the American Choral Directors Association, as vice president of the National Collegiate Choral Organization, and, from 2011–2014, was director of music and liturgy at the Lutheran Church of Honolulu, home to one of the state's largest church music programs.

In 2004 Dr. Felipe was appointed to a position at The Boston Conservatory where he taught courses in choral repertoire and performance practice, aural skills, harmony and counterpoint, and led the school's women's chorus and, on occasion, the orchestra. In 2007 Felipe established the Boston Choral Ensemble Commission Competition—the Northeast's largest choral commissioning project of its kind. And in 2008 he was appointed assistant conductor of Harvard-Radcliffe Collegium Musicum. Dr. Felipe has also served as Interim Choral Director and Visiting Lecturer in Music at Mt. Holyoke College and Visiting Director of Choral Activities and Assistant Professor of Music at the Oberlin College and Conservatory.

A graduate of Oberlin College, **Ms. Beebe Freitas** received her Master's Degree from Boston University and was in the Special Studies Program at Juilliard. She has been soloist with several orchestras including the Boston Pops, the Youngstown and the Honolulu Symphonies. She has performed with such renowned soloists as Yo-Yo Ma, Leonard Rose, and David Shifrin, and has been rehearsal pianist for many conductors such as Leonard Bernstein, Thomas Schippers, Robert Shaw, and William Steinberg.

She has been the recipient of honors bestowed by the National Society of Arts and Letters, the YWCA, a Honpa Hongwanji Mission's Living Treasure Award, the City and County of Honolulu Commission on Culture and the Arts Award, and the Hawai'i Arts Alliance's prestigious Alfred Preis Award.

Ms. Wanda Gereben has been in the field of music education and choral music in Hawai'i for over forty years. She is a life member of the American Choral Directors Association and has served twice as the president of the Hawai'i chapter. Ms. Gereben was the regional chairperson of the National Standing Committee on Children's Choruses for ACDA and remains a life-member of the Hawai'i Music Educators Association. She was the founder and artistic director of the Hawai'i Children's Chorus and was chairman of the Music Department of St. Andrew's Priory School for 25 years.

WITH THANKS...

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