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

proudly present



Saturday, February 18, 2017, 5:00 PM Central Union Church, Honolulu, Hawai'i

Dr. Karen Kennedy

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 Hawaiʻi, 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.

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 Hawaiʻi 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 three days, in addition to learning six pieces with our world-renowned clinician Karen Kennedy, 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 380 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 March 18, 2017, 7:00 PM at Central Union Church

featuring choirs from Hawaiʻi Pacific University, UH Mānoa, UH West Oʻahu, and Kapiʻolani & Leeward Community Colleges

 $\textit{The}\ \mathsf{Hawai'i}\ \mathsf{Chapter}\ \textit{of the}\ \mathsf{American}\ \mathsf{Choral}\ \mathsf{Directors}\ \mathsf{Association}$

Professional Development 2017

"Rehearsal Techniques & Methods in the Choral Setting"

HI-ACDA's Annual Education Event

with guest speakers, workshops, reading session, and more Saturday, September 2, 2017

All day @ UH West Oʻahu

ABOUT THE CLINICIAN



Karen Kennedy is associate professor and director of choral studies at the University of Miami Frost School of Music, where she conducts the Frost Chorale and other choral ensembles. She previously held the positions of chorus director for the Honolulu Symphony, director of choral activities at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, and director of choral activities at Towson University.

She earned a DMA degree in choral music from Arizona State University, a MM in choral conducting from Butler University and a BM in Music Education from DePauw University. Dr. Kennedy regularly conducts choral festivals featuring major works such as Orff's Carmina Burana, Durufle's Requi-

em, Faure's Requiem, Mozart's Great Mass in C Minor, and Rutter's Gloria, to name a few. She has received numerous awards for teaching, including the University of Hawai'i Chancellor's Citation for Meritorious Teaching, Arizona State University's Manzanita "Top Prof" Award, and Butler University's Faculty Distinction Award. Dr. Kennedy is well known as a choral clinician and adjudicator for all-state and festival honor choirs. She has presented workshops at ACDA and MENC conventions and served as the ACDA Eastern Division Collegiate Repertoire and Standards Chair and as a founding member of the National Collegiate Choral Organization.

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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Nā Leo Hou

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KAPŌLEI HIGH SCHOOL — HURRICANE SINGERS
Justin Kaʻupu, Conductor
The Star-Spangled Banner
THE PRIORY — CHAMBER SINGERS
Naomi Castro, Conductor
Bring Me Little Water, Sylvie
MILILANI HIGH SCHOOL KE KŪLANA PAPA HIMENI O MILILANI
Keane Ishii, Conductor
Earth Song
HAWAI'I YOUTH OPERA CHORUS — GIOVENTU MUSICALE
Nola A. Nāhulu, Conductor
A Long Time Ago (Finale)
SACRED HEARTS ACADEMY — CONCERT CHOIR
Zachary Moore, Conductor
Heart, We Will Forget Him!

Esther Macy, Conductor
Lux Aurumque Eric Whitacre
WAIPAHU HIGH SCHOOL — CONCERT CHOIR
Aaron Scholtz, Conductor
He Mele Lāhui Hawaiʻi
HAWAI'I EDUCATION OF THE ARTS
Pamela DeBoard, Conductor
Steal Away traditional arr. Brian Tate
ISLAND SCHOOL — ALAKA'I CHORUS
Philip Steinbacher, Conductor
From a Distance
arr. Brymer & Lojeski
arr. Brymer & Lojeski adapted Steinbacher
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KAPŌLEI HIGH SCHOOL — CONCERT CHOIR

Justin Ka'upu, Conductor

NĀ LEO HOU — FESTIVAL CHOIR

The Music of Living
Consecrate the Place and Day
Haste Thee Nymph
Shout Glory!
Aloha 'Oe

Jennifer Duerden, Pianist **Karen Kennedy,** Conductor



ABOUT THE ADJUDICATORS

DR. CARI EARNHART combines careers as conductor. teacher and singer. In demand as a conductor, clinician and adjudicator, Earnhart has worked with choirs in the US and abroad. As a conductor abroad, she served as Director of Choral Activities at the American University of Sharjah and has also made guest conducting appearances with the Budapesti Vándor Kórus in Budapest, Hungary; served as Maestro of Ensemble Vocale Tempus Floridum and as Maestro Collaboratore of Coro dell' Accademia del Diletto and Coro Polofonico del Caricentro, all in Florence. She worked as musical director for Speech Bubbles theater group, based in Istanbul from 2010-2013 and as guest conductor for the Istanbul International Chamber Choir, Earnhart was the first female Conductor of the UNT Men's Chorus and served as Assistant Conductor of Schola Cantorum of Texas in Ft. Worth. In addition, she has served as guest conductor for choral festivals and as a guest lecturer for conducting and vocal master classes.

Earnhart, a mezzo-soprano, began her professional singing career in New York City and has performed professionally as a soloist in the US, throughout the Tuscany region of Italy and in Istanbul, Turkey. Currently, she performs with The Choral Pickup (Seattle, WA and Atlanta, GA) and New World Voice (Dallas, TX). She has also performed with the Coro Cameristico Fiorentino in Florence, Italy, Conspirare, based in Austin and with the New York Virtuoso Singers.

Earnhart has taught at the American University of Sharjah (UAE), the University of North Texas, BT Müzik Evi (Istanbul), Oklahoma Panhandle State University, Oklahoma State University, and in the Texas public schools. She holds a BM in Vocal Performance and MM degrees in Vocal Performance and Pedagogy from Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK; and a DMA in Choral Conducting with related field studies in Vocal Pedagogy from the University of North Texas in Denton. Her areas of research include Arabic choral music and vocal epidemiology. Notable presentations include the Performing Arts Medicine Association (2014) and the Texas Choral Directors Association (2016).

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 associate 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.

Praised for her vocal beauty and warm middle range, mezzo-soprano **MAYA HOOVER** enjoyed a diverse 2015–16 season, featuring concerts on Oʻahu and Maui with renowned soprano Sumi Jo and the Hawaiʻi Symphony Orchestra (HSO); Brahms' *Alto Rhapsody* and Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 with the Greeley Philharmonic Orchestra (Colorado); a recital in Vernon, France with pianist Mary Dibbern; *The Magic Flute* (Second Lady) and *Il Trovatore* (Inez) with Hawaiʻi Opera Theatre (HOT); a gala concert with Opera NEO (San Diego); a chamber music tour of China; and a recital with longtime partner, pianist José Meléndez.

Other highlights include Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 and Falla's *El sombrero de tres picos* (HSO); *Der fliegende Holländer* (HOT); Verdi's *Requiem* (Tuscia Operafestival, Viterbo, Italy); Wagner's *Wesendonck Lieder* (Wagner Soci-

ety of Hawaiʻi); Respighi's *Il tramonto* and Simon Sargon's *Shemà* (Chamber Music Hawaiʻi); and Schoenberg's *Pierrot Lunaire* (Chamber Music Hawaiʻi), in a production staged by Henry Akina. International appearances include Festival Mozart y Beethoven, Festival Internacional Bach, and Festimúsica Internacional (Peru); Songs Across the Americas Festival (Bolivia); Bellingham Festival of Music; Bloomington Early Music Festival; Escuela de Artes Musicales, Universidad de Costa Rica; Auditorio Fabio Lozano (Bogotá, Colombia); and Teatro Municipal (Trujillo, Peru).

As a recitalist, she has performed regularly with pianist José Meléndez for almost two decades in innovative programs frequently highlighting Latin American, Spanish, and other outstanding lesser-known works. She holds a Doctor of Music degree in Voice Performance and

Literature with a minor in Music Education from Indiana University, a Master of Music degree from Westminster Choir College, and a Bachelor of Music degree with a minor in Italian Language and Literature from Binghamton University. She has studied with Mary Burgess, Laura Brooks Rice, Patricia Havranek, Virginia Zeani, and Andrea DelGiudice. Her publications have appeared in Classical Singer, The Mentoring Connection, and the Philosophy of Music Education Review, and her book Guide to the Latin American Art Song Repertoire: An Annotated Catalog of Twentieth-Century Art Songs for Voice and Piano (Indiana University Press) was released in March 2010. In August 2007, she joined the distinguished faculty of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, where she serves as Professor of Music with a world-class faculty.

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