

 MID-COLUMBIA  
MASTERSINGERS  
2025-2026 SEASON

# COLUMBIA CHORALE

## *All the Way Home*

**FRIDAY, MARCH 20 AT 7:30PM**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21 AT 3PM**

**St. Joseph's Chapel, Kennewick**



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# COLUMBIA CHORALE

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Marianne Larsen

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# PROGRAM

*What makes a home?  
Is it a place, a memory, or the people who walk beside us?*

*This evening's music explores the many ways we experience home — as welcome and belonging, as laughter and companionship, as shared work and changing seasons. Along the way we discover that home is not a fixed destination, but something we build together through love, patience, forgiveness, and time.*

*Wherever life takes us, the road has a way of leading us back — all the way home.*

*Home begins with a feeling that we are welcome and safe.*

## **Home is a Special Kind of Feeling, by John Rutter**

*We belong not because we are impressive, but because we are known.*

## **It's You I Like, by Fred Rogers, arr. by David Von Kampen**

Brent Steinert, trumpet

*Home is sustained through choice — through companionship, trust, and the willingness to walk alongside one another.*

## **If You Want to Hold My Hand, by Kyle Pederson**

Perry Kelly, guitar

*Home is laughter and freedom to be imperfect together.*

## **Laughing Song, by David Dickau**

Kelli Kruse, flute; Nathan Humphreys, tambourine

*As time passes, we begin to measure our lives not in days or years, but in love —  
love shared, love remembered, love that gives meaning to everything else.*

## **Seasons of Love, Jonathan Larson, arr. by Roger Emerson**

*Home is not only tenderness — it is effort. It is work done side by side, rhythms of daily life, resilience,  
and shared responsibility. This is love expressed through action.*

## **Bring Me Little Water, Sylvie, attr. to Huddie Ledbetter, arr. by Robert Jones**

Marella McGreal, bass

Patrick Faulk and Spencer Anderson, soloists

*With time and perspective comes awareness — children grow, roles change, and life moves faster than we expect.  
Home becomes something we protect, remember, and hope to pass on.*

## **Turn Around, by Greene, Reynolds and Belafonte, arr. by Rene Clausen**

*No matter how far we travel, there remains a pull toward connection and belonging.  
The road home is shaped by memory, forgiveness, and grace.*

## **The Road Home, by Stephen Paulus**

Soloists: Caryl Thomason (Friday), Emily Williams (Saturday)

*Home is not perfect or static — it is chosen again and again. Built of love, patience,  
laughter, and mercy, home is where we return — all the way home.*

## **All the Way Home, by Sarah Quartel**

# COME SING WITH US! ALL ARE WELCOME!

**The Mid-Columbia Mastersingers organization offers several opportunities to sing in our choirs:  
Chamber Choir, Symphonic Choir, Treble Choir, and Columbia Chorale**

**Chamber Choir:** voice placement hearing, project schedule typically 6-8 weeks, advanced repertoire, high level of personal preparation and musical independence, typically includes a cappella selections and those in languages other than English

**Symphonic and Treble Choirs:** voice placement hearing, project schedule typically 8-12 weeks, moderate repertoire, some level of personal preparation and musical independence, typically includes selections accompanied by symphony/chamber orchestras and occasionally in languages other than English, Treble Choir is for upper voices (sopranos and altos)

**Columbia Chorale:** no voice placement hearing (just come and sing!), project schedule typically 12+ weeks, accessible repertoire, little to no level of personal preparation, typically includes selections accompanied by piano

Please contact Artistic Director Justin Raffa at [jraffa@mcmastersingers.org](mailto:jraffa@mcmastersingers.org) with any questions and to request to be added to the singer roster. Please indicate:

1. I want to join Columbia Chorale! (no placement hearing)
2. I want to do a voice placement hearing for the performance choirs!
3. I want to do an advanced audition for the performance choirs and potential solo opportunities!

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Mar 20-29 - Tuck Everlasting  
May 8-17 - Willy Wonka, Jr.

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Mar 28 - Valiant Resilience featuring the  
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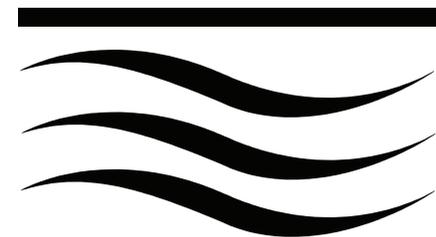
**CAMERATA MUSICA**  
Apr 11 - Ensemble Schumann

**RICHLAND PLAYERS**  
Apr 10-28 - Wit

**MID-COLUMBIA BALLET**  
April 24-26 - Spring Production

**PRINCESS THEATRE, PROSSER**  
May 9-17 - The Producers

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# BEERCHOIR

ATOMIC CHAPTER

**Friday, April 25**

**6:30-9:00pm**

**Iconic Brewery, Richland**  
*Family friendly venue!*

**Beer Choir is the choir that sings while drinking beer! Come join us in the grand old tradition of pub singing.**  
**All are welcome!**

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