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Peoria Bach Festival 2024

Short Announcement:

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Longer Announcement:

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The festival will conclude with a concert on Friday, June 7 at 8:00 p.m. featuring the Peoria Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra conducted by JONATHAN WESSLER, TIM FREDSTROM, MARTIN DICKE, and JOHN JOST. Repertoire will include three cantatas including two that are a part of Bach's 1724 Chorale Cantata Cycle and the Orchestra Suite No. 3. Featured soloists will be COURTNEY HUFFMAN FRYE, soprano; ALISON MEUTH, mezzo-soprano; TREVOR MITCHELL, tenor; and GERARD SUNDBERG, baritone.

All events are FREE except for the final concert which will have admission of \$15 Adults/\$10 Students. For more information, visit www.peoriabachfestival.org or call (309) 673-8501.

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