9th Annual Rita Docter Scholarship Benefit Concert

Music from Movies

Special Guest Host: Local actress and performer Greta Grosch Featuring all Angelica Choirs

February 27, 2022 3:00 Bloomington Center for the Arts Schneider Theater



Welcome to the 2022 Angelica Cantanti Rita Docter Scholarship Concert

After our long hiatus due to Covid-19, we are thrilled to be back on the Schneider stage, sharing the music our singers have been working on this season. We are so glad you are joining us to celebrate.

This is my tenth year as an Angelica parent of two children who have both grown up in the program. The tiny 7-year-olds who started off singing "Little Firefly" are now teenagers singing "Somebody to Love." Every year, as the kids start their busy fall routines, without fail one of the highlights is when they get home from their first rehearsal buzzing with excitement about the new songs they get to sing. They always try to guess before each concert which song will make me cry (I'm looking at you, "Lunar Lullaby"!), and they usually guess right. The combination of beautiful harmony, poetry of language, many weeks' hard work, and the sincerity of each young voice is always moving, but it is especially so when sung by your own children who share your love of music. When we make music together, bonds are strengthened and differences dissolve. There is no better gift we can give them.

As a great lover of choral music, I look forward to every Angelica concert, but this one is always special. Not only does it encapsulate a delightful repertoire, centered around various whimsical themes, but as you enjoy the concert, you know that it is raising money for an important cause: ensuring that every child who wishes to sing with Angelica is able to.

This year's theme, "Music from the Movies," should evoke memories for everyone, as it represents a wide range of genres and audiences. From classics like *Singin' in the Rain, The Wizard of OZ,* and *The Sound of Music* to contemporary pieces from *The Hunger Games, Spider-Man, Happy Feet,* and *Soul*, there are moments of nostalgia for every age and taste.

So sit back, relax, and enjoy an afternoon of music. You may even find yourself singing along.

Theresa FitzPatrick Angelica Parent and Board Member



Angelica Cantanti Youth Choirs

The Angelica Cantanti Youth Choirs has been providing high quality choral music education with artistic excellence in performance for 42 years. Led by conductors Philip Brown, Elizabeth Egger, Michelle Gehrz and Ann Williams, Angelica has 230 members in grades K - 12 from communities and schools all over the Twin Cities. ACYC currently has 5 performing youth choirs, an adult choir and a Prep choir/music class for young singers in Kindergarten through 1st grade. This April – June we are introducing a new Glee Choir/Music class for singers with special needs.

ACYC singers performed at the 2018 Super Bowl at US Bank Stadium, the 2019 National ACDA Conference in Kansas City and the organization was recently voted "Best Community Choir in MN" by WCCO-TV.

Videos and photos are not allowed during the performance. Please silence your phone when you enter the theater and try not to look at your phone while the singers are performing. The light from your phone can distract singers and audience.



This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a Minnesota State Arts Board Community Arts Education Support grant, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.



Host Greta Grosch

Since 1989 Greta has worked as a writer and performer across the country. After 7 years touring and working in regional theatre, and a stint in New York City, she moved to the Twin Cities in 1996. Local credits include Dudley Riggs Brave New Workshop; Hey City Theatre; Mixed Blood; the Ordway; History Theatre; Illusion Theatre; Playwright's Center; Theatre Unbound; Minnetonka Theatre; Yellow Tree; the Old Log; Theatre Elision and the Plymouth Playhouse, where she originated the role of Mavis in the popular *Church Basement Ladies* musicals. Greta also works regularly as a voice over and commercial artist; travels the country as a motivational speaker, corporate entertainer and a "Looney Lutheran"; writes the annual Medora Musical; and has scripted the last seven installments of the highly successful *Church Basement Ladies* series.

Angelica Cantanti 2021-22 Board of Directors

This group meets once a month and provides broad oversight for our organization's affairs, sets long-range strategy, and plays a leadership role in fund development to ensure that we have sufficient resources to fulfill our mission.

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The Rita Docter Scholarship Fundraising Concert Music from the Movies

Musicians

Ethan Yeshaya – Bass Jay Weiler – Drums Jenni Volby – Violin

Treble Singers (Grade 9-12)

Stand Up from the movie **Harriet** Words and Music by Joshuah Campbell and Synthia Echeumuna-Erivo Arr. Tea Douglas, Edited by Joy Hirokawa Soloist: McKay Hall

Speechless From the movie **Aladdin** Music by Alan Menken, Lyrics by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul Arr. by Jacob Narverud Soloists: Naomi Vanyo and Zoey Edeburn

Cantabile (Grade 4 – 6)

How Does a Moment Last Forever from the movie **Beauty and the Beast** Music by Alan Menken, Lyrics by Tim Rice Arr. by Mac Huff

It's All Right from the movie **Soul** Words and Music by Curtis Mayfield Arr. by Robert T. Gibson

Con Brio (Grade 2 – 4)

Castle on a Cloud from the movie **Les Misérables** Music by Claude-Michel Schonberg, Lyrics by Herbert Kretzmer, Original Text by Alain Boublil and Jean-Marc Natel Arr. by Linda Steen Spevacek

Theme from Spider-Man from the movie **Spider-Man** Written by Bob Harris and Paul Francis Webster Arr. by Kirby Shaw

Concert Choir (Grade 6 – 8)

Over the Rainbow from the movie **The Wizard of Oz** Music by Harold Arlen, Lyrics by E.Y. Harburg Arr. by Jacob Narverud

Singin' In the Rain from the movie **Singin' In the Rain** Arr. by William Simon Dancer: Annika Engebretson

Cantanti Singers (Grade 9- 12)

Elastic Heart from the movie **Hunger Games Catching Fire** Words and Music by Sia Furler, Thomas Pentz, Abel Tesfaye and Andrew Swanson, Arr. by Timothy C. Takach

Medley from *The Sound of Music* from the movie **The Sound of Music** by Rogers & Hammerstein

Somebody to Love from the movie **Happy Feet & Ella Enchanted** Words and Music by Freddie Mercury Soloists: Isaac Wilson, Ryan Terry, Hayden Cloudt, Grace Phan, Keira Zavadsky, Siri Anderson, Ginny Ogaard



About Rita Docter

Rita was the director of (3) Angelica Cantanti Youth Choirs (Prep/Con Brio, Varsity, and Ensemble) and Artistic Coordinator for nearly 30 years. She retired in 2011. Rita graduated from St. Olaf College with a major in music education. She taught in Bakersfield, CA, in Robbinsdale, MN and in Wayzata, MN. She sang in the Minnesota Bach Society

and the Dale Warland Singers. Presently she sings in Angelica Encore. Rita was the director of children's music at Community of the Cross Lutheran Church in Bloomington for 25 years. She wrote curriculum for the American Lutheran Church, articles for church magazines and for the American Suzuki Journal. Rita is the creator of BRAVO—a music appreciation curriculum for children in grades K- 6. Today, Rita continues to work with and advise parents, music teachers, classroom teachers, and volunteers around the world.

In collaboration with the Crossroads Project of the Fry Street String Quartet, in residence at Utah State University, Rita has developed Crossroads for Kids, a curriculum for elementary age students about sustainability.

It was always important to Rita that every child have the opportunity to sing with Angelica, so in that spirit we created this annual fundraising concert event in her name.

ANGELICA CANTANTI YOUTH CHOIRS

CON BRIO CHOIR (grades 2-4)

Ann Williams, Conductor & Stephen Swanson, Accompanist Grace Hammes & Elizabeth Hersey, Rehearsal Assistants

Emmylou Baham Chloe Barim Crosby Broer Violet Bruckmueller Emma Carpenter Delaney Conkey Kate Cook Beatrice Eisenschenk Charlotte Hersey Freddie Holm Clara Keyes Asha Khariwala Soriya Kim Aubrey Kollodge Elinor Kornis Elise Loving Lydia Lucius

- Ruthie Lucius Kendall McGuire Liam McNally Keya Munro Barrett Pinsonneault Zoe Porter Faye Ripplinger
- Madeleine Schroeder David Shapoval Yuliya Shapoval Kaiah Wise Gloribel Zamora Jamieleen Zamora

CANTABILE CHOIR (grades 4-6)

Michelle Gehrz, Conductor & Jeffrey Patry, Accompanist Lana Western, Abbey Pearson, & Celia Sieckert, Rehearsal Assistants

Jillian AndersonIJohannaEArlandsonSEvelyn BlessingGHope BushardIVivian ElferingSMarin ErlandsonIElizabeth EvensonSJulia FarahAAudrey GaulG

Mylana Hallaway Elliott Hazzard Susannah Houston Oliver Kidd Kainalu Lazarus Sarah Levine Nina London Sonja Lott Anne Love Gabrielle Mackey

- Harper Morey Clara Olson Hannah Paulino Maggie Pollack Teddy Pollack Nina Porter Sophie Sagedahl Naaya Sanghvi Brooke Schefers Sydney Schefers
- Berit Schulz Stella Siler Ella Spott Josephine Spott Catherine Stensrud Kayla Vogland Wyatt Vogland Adalyn Western Iris Wolter

CONCERT CHOIR (grades 6-8)

Elizabeth Egger, Conductor & Jeffrey Patry, Accompanist Siri Anderson, Rehearsal Assistant Allison Engebretson, Sectional Leader

Paulina Artyushkova Sadie Baldwin Christopher Bennett Lucy Brunner Anne Carr Montgomery Cha Mabel Collins Elizabeth Couling Cora Daubenspeck Annika Engebretson Jayla Ferguson Chloe Fider Jordin Floyd

Grace Galbus Anya Gronseth Drew Halsne Carmen Olivia Hanson Madelyn Hawkinson Lucien-Sinclair Herndon Elizabeth Hersey Mamie Holm Regan Isaac Julia Jackson Kenley Jansen Evangeline Johnson

Alyssa Kopischke Jillian Kunkel Isabella Mantilla Lydia Matson Maura McGuire Payten Miller-Zarambo Ella Moore Sophia Ohnsorg Anna Parashos Avery Patterson Frances Patton Philesha Pfeifer Levi Potchinsky Annabel Raney Mckenna Reding-Kolsrud Preston Rose Tessa Ruhmann Phillip Sellner Caroline Stockinger Noelle Stockton Carter Strand Omera Syed Asif Jack Trygstad Erica Weiler Evan Weiler Adalyn Westereng Maya Zhaivoronok

TREBLE SINGERS (grades 9-12)

Philip Brown, Conductor & Jamie Schmidt, Collaborative Pianist

Hailey Asmus Julia Asmus Maggie Banks Jenna Baumgartner Siena Becchetti Katherine Bennett Victoria Biggs Evie Bischoff Greta Caliri Elena Colacci Colleen Coleman Hazel Collins Clare Cook Avery Cracauer Zoey Edeburn Hannah Frauenshuh McKay Hall Carly Johnson Natali Jorgensen Melina Kannankutty Diya Kayaleh Ellie Mahowald Liliana Marcou Elizabeth Marston Kseniya Medvedovski Snezhanna Medvedovski Abigail Pearson Sarah Piper Mia Prahl Sarah Rieke Catherine Sit Clara Spurlock

Gabrielle Stockton Allison Stuart Maria Sullivan Lauren Talbott Mary Taraboi-Brown Naomi Vanyo Olivia Weiland Evie Williams

CANTANTI SINGERS (grades 9-12)

Philip Brown, Conductor & Jamie Schmidt, Collaborative Pianist Jack Soden, Intern

Siri Anderson Noah Anderson Anna Benjamin Aedan Bertrand Allison Brodin Elias Caspari Leo Choi Margaret Clark Hayden Cloudt Isabella Collins Zoev Coval Benjamin Dockerty Ella Dovle Aaron Dumalag Mattias Dyrud Nathan Frost-Tibben Brooke Geis

Solomon Grueschow Cade Hatlestad Katie Hatton Henry Hewitt Ava Hilbrands Jocelyn Jaroscak Kameron Johnson Kobe Johnson Patrick Johnson Joseph Klein Clare Koll Ronan Koll Sonia Kovic Andrew Kramer Ava Krocheski-Meyer Conor McCrave

Madison McGraw Cannon Miller Aubree Morehouse Ethan Nelson Nathan Nelson-Kumar Ebba Nordstrom Virginia Ogaard **Rebecca** Perkins Margaret Petersen Grace Phan Tommy Pollack Madigan Ryan Emma Sellner Franklin Sellner Theodore Sidorfsky Celia Sieckert Rvan Terry

Rostislav Tomasevich Ada Turman Hogan Vaupel Augustine Wahlstrom Isaac Wilson Luke Wilts Kieran Winegarden Peyton Winegarden Ava Young Keira Zavadsky

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Silent Auction

Names for winning bids will be posted on the windows in the lobby immediately following the concert. Please pick up your items before you leave today. Cash, check, Venmo @AngelicaCantanti (4568) and credit cards are accepted.

Thank you for supporting our singers!

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Spring Concert

Sunday, May 22, 2022 3:00pm — Featuring all choirs Orchestra Hall, Minneapolis

Summer Choir Check ACYC website for details

National Anthem at Target Field

Friday, August 26, 2022 at 7:10pm San Francisco Giants at Minnesota Twins

