



Baltimore Flute Choir Minor Notes

Updates for the BFC Fall Season

2008 Concert Dates

Our annual holiday concert will be at the Jarrettsville United Methodist Church on Sunday, December 14, in the afternoon.

Tentative Program, not necessarily in this order:

Praise the Lord with Flutes - antiphonal style
Christmas Fantasy

Christmas Joys

Twelve Jazzy Days of Christmas—check out the composer’s web site for a recording of the beginning of this piece (thanks to Anna for contacting Sonny Burnette!): <http://sonnyburnette.com/flute/twelvejazzy/twelvejazzy.htm>

Patchwork Christmas

Semi-Serious Variations on a Christmas Theme
Ricercare on C

Santa's Symphony

Silent Night - audience will be invited to sing possibly *Ave Maria*

Please check your schedules for potential conflicts with the performance/rehearsal dates. Please let Martha or Kristi know ASAP so we can redistribute parts and/or people if necessary.

Guest Conductors

We were delighted to welcome Steve Miles (Evelyn’s brother) as a guest conductor on Sunday, October 19. He is a wonderful conductor and is also very funny. We accomplished a lot! Many thanks to Steve for joining us.

We also were very lucky to have Len Morse come to conduct both our dress rehearsal and our performance at the

Columbia Flute Choir festival on Saturday, November 22. Len provided us with new insights into our program of Fascinating Rhythm and the Jamestown Trilogy, and we were very happy to be able to attend the Columbia festival again this year.

We welcome everyone’s active participation as we continue the exciting process of

thinking about and deciding upon the future direction of the BFC. We will continue to line up guest conductors and are pursuing several leads on possible permanent conductors.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in conducting the BFC for a season or just for a rehearsal or two, please let Martha know.

Rehearsal Dates

The following are the remaining scheduled rehearsals for the fall season:

November 30

December 7

Sunday, December 7 @ 5:30 p.m. — Board Meeting before rehearsal. All members are cordially invited to attend.

Unless otherwise noted, rehearsals will be held in the Smith Building at St. John’s Lutheran Church, 8808 Harford Road, Parkville, MD 21234

There will be also several playing opportunities throughout the year through the Baltimore County Dept. of Aging. The flute choir is *paid* for these performances and the money provides an important boost to our annual budget. We have trio music organized and ready to go and just need to line up players when we receive the dates. Please let Martha know if you would be interested in doing this.

Special points of interest:

- Check out the web site at www.baltimoreflutechoir.com
- Please bring \$25 check or cash for Laurel if you have not yet paid your BFC dues for the 2008-2009 season.
- Martha is continuing the process of making the BFC a non-profit organization. This will allow us to apply for grants and pay a director a stipend, among other things. If you want to help with this process, let Martha know.

OTHER NEWS

15th Annual Columbia Flute Choir Festival: Congratulations to all who participated in this festival in Falls Church, Virginia, on Saturday, November 22. It was a wonderful experience, and we all came away with new music and performance ideas. Also, a special thanks to Jenn, who was able to line up Len Morse as our guest conductor for this gig.

Best wishes for strength and good health to Evelyn, who recently underwent a round of chemotherapy. Evelyn’s home number is (410) 661-7956. Her address is 9226 Throgmorton Road, Baltimore, MD 21234, and her email is emaemom@comcast.net.

Many thanks to Catherine for volunteering to be our new webmaster. If you have any updates for the web site, please let Catherine know.