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Upcoming Events in the School of Music

Feb. 7, 7:30 p.m. Her Melody Lingers On; Justin Kauflin and John Toomey
Chandler Recital Hall, Diehn Center for the Performing Arts

Feb. 9, 4:00 p.m. Annual Faculty Concert, Dr. James Kosnik
Church of the Epiphany, 1530 Lafayette Blvd.

Feb. 9, 4:00 p.m. Black History Through Song
Chandler Recital Hall, Diehn Center for the Performing Arts

Feb. 11, 7:30 p.m. Music of Home, ODU Symphony Orchestra, Paul Kim, director
Chandler Recital Hall, Diehn Center for the Performing Arts

Feb. 13, 7:30 p.m. ODU Brass Choir, Mike Hall, director
Chandler Recital Hall, Diehn Center for the Performing Arts

Feb. 16, 4:00 p.m. Gloria, by John Rutter ODU Concert Choir joins the
Symphonicity Chorus and Orchestra, Daniel Boothe, conductor
Sandler Center, Virginia Beach ticketed event

Feb. 17, 7:30 p.m. The American Brass Quintet, Diehn Concert Series
Chandler Recital Hall, Diehn Center for the Performing Arts ticketed event

Feb. 25, 7:30 p.m. ODU Jazz Combo and Jazz Orchestra
Directed by John Toomey and Doug Owens
Chandler Recital Hall, Diehn Center for the Performing Arts
Joe L. Harmon III, a native of Chesapeake, Virginia, received his Bachelor’s in Music Education from Norfolk State University and is currently pursuing the Master’s Degree in Music Education (M.M.E.) at Old Dominion University with an emphasis in Choral Conducting. Mr. Harmon is the Director of Choral Activities at I.C. Norcom High School and Cradock Middle School in Portsmouth, Virginia, where he was recently awarded High School Teacher of the Year for 2018. In addition, Mr. Harmon is involved with the 21st Century after school program, and is the assistant coordinator for the Porte Towne Magic Show Choir. Mr. Harmon’s professional affiliations include NAFME (National Association of Music Educators) and NANM (National Association of Negro Musicians). He serves as minister of music at New Pleasant Valley Baptist in Chesapeake, Virginia.

The I.C. Norcom High School Concert Choir is a vibrant ensemble that strives for musical excellence, given its rich history of choral music in the Hampton Roads area. Comprised of 35 singers, the choir embraces the needs of the community, as well as training and cultivating young musicians in many capacities. Warm, rich textures help to distinguish the choir’s unique sound, which has produced superior ratings at the city, district, and national level. The choir frequently performs in community concerts, conferences, and other events, with a sense of pride and dedication to the choral music art form.
Nancy Kirkland Klein has directed the Choral Program at Old Dominion University since 1986. In her 34 years with the Diehn School of Music, Dr. Klein has seen the University Choir more than double in size, has established the F. Ludwig Diehn Chorale, began and developed the NASM accredited Masters Degree in Music Education, and has travelled world-wide as a conductor and choral clinician. She has conducted in the Cathedral of Notre Dame, Paris; St. Mark's Basilica, Venice; St. Giles Cathedral, Scotland; Conservatoire de Musique in Luxembourg; Avery Fisher Hall and Alice Tully Hall, New York, and returned to Carnegie Hall in 2017. She regularly trains conductors for the U.S. Army, preparing them to work with instrumental and choral groups, and has trained many of the music educators in the region. Dr. Klein has received numerous awards including the Joel S. Lewis Award for Mentoring, University Professor designation, Robert Stern Award for Excellence in Teaching, ALLI Award for Lifetime Contributions to the Arts, nominated by ODU for U.S. Professor of the Year, and is listed in Who's Who in Education, Who's Who in America and Who's Who in Entertainment. She is currently serving as Director of the F. Ludwig Diehn School of Music.

F. Ludwig Diehn Chorale is the premiere choral ensemble within the Diehn School of Music. These singers are selected from the top singers in the University Concert Choir. All performers are University or Diehn Scholarship recipients. Ranging from freshman status to M.M.E. candidates, the singers in the Diehn Chorale are committed to perform a variety of choral music. They regularly perform for special functions within the University community and are a featured touring ensemble for the Department of Music. The Diehn Chorale has performed with the Virginia Symphony, the Richmond Symphony, the Williamsburg Chorale Guild and are in much demand throughout the Region.
F. Ludwig Diehn Chorale
Dr. Nancy Klein, director

Bobbie Kesler-Corleto, accompanist

Soprano 1
Lee Cathon
Katie Wesley
Victoria Magnusson

Soprano 2
Javonne Anthony
Natalie Dyke
Cristina Loyola
Brooke Ward

Alto
Rachel Bradley
Helen Bradshaw
Asia Daniels
Jordan Fitzgerald

Tenor
Hunter Elliot
Tracy James
James Nicholson

Bass/Baritone
Ryan Duncan
Larry Giddens
David Whyte
Hunter Williams

I.C. Norcom High School Concert Choir
Mr. Joe L. Harmon III, director

Soprano
Kiyah Bracy
Taniyah Colter
Daisha Elliott
Alona Francis
Inaya Johnson
Sidney Mapp
ZaNiyah Neal
Amaiah Nix
Alexis Spivey
Jordan Wright
Ta’Ja Wyche

Tenor
Ivin Bellamy
Jahan Carrington
Kavontai Hodges
Markel Juste
DeVonte Melton
Myron White

Alto
Trinity Allen
Daisha Branch
Nichelle Ellis
Nasia Farmer
Asia Jackson
Ary’el King
Mariah Lewis

Bass
Kawon Davis
Christopher Freeman
Keon O’Neal
Savion White
Deonte Williams

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