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**SOUTH LAKES HIGH SCHOOL  
CHORAL DEPARTMENT  
PROUDLY PRESENTS**

# *A SEASON OF HOPE*

**Monday, December 21, 2020  
7:00 PM**

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Directed by Rita Gigliotti

## Director's Note

Our program this evening is entitled, *A Season of Hope*. While many are feeling scorned and worn from this year's rollercoaster of history born events, I believe that nothing is a coincidence in our lives. Twenty - twenty is a year that was designed to make us pause and generate awareness, for better or worse. It has been a time to reflect, renew, realize, and reform. It has taught us about loss, love, unity, and resilience. While our metamorphosis is not entirely over, I would like to take this next hour to celebrate what this novel time has enlightened within us.

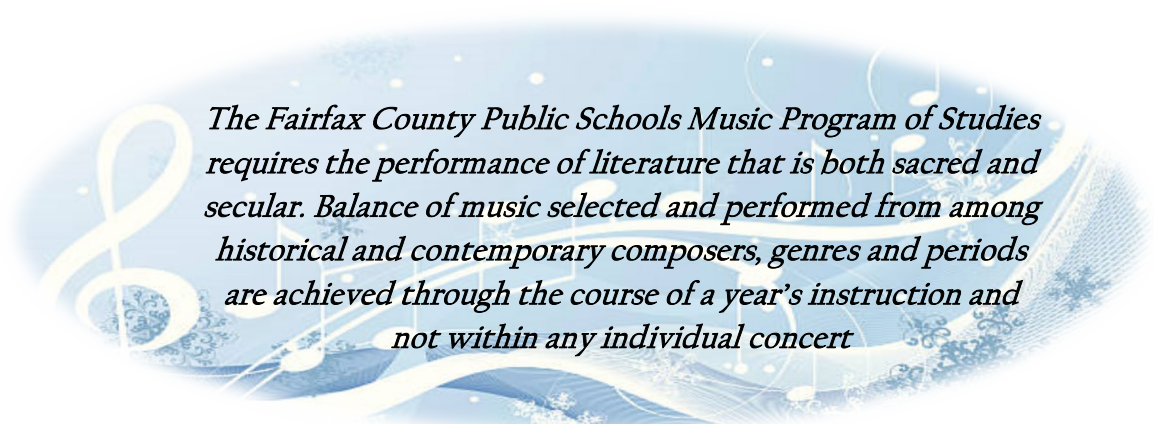
Teaching choral music online and programming for a virtual concert was a newfound challenge that I chose to embrace the moment our world paused in March. Every prolific time in history has been and will continue to be expressed through music. It is the music that reminds us that there is strength and peace in synchronized energy put forth from one to another. The coordination of the intention in the energy, vibration, and frequency of pitch are why music evokes feeling, healing, and a connection that fills our heart when words alone fail.

This evening's music was selected with the intention to remind us of the joy, beauty, and hope that the holiday season brings, even in the most uncertain of times.

On behalf of the South Lakes Choral Department, I send you love, hope, joy, and newfound peace in the New Year.

Sincerely,

Rita Gigliotti, SLHS Choral Director



*The Fairfax County Public Schools Music Program of Studies requires the performance of literature that is both sacred and secular. Balance of music selected and performed from among historical and contemporary composers, genres and periods are achieved through the course of a year's instruction and not within any individual concert*

# Concert Program

## ***Seahawk Chorale***

*Sleigh Ride*

**Artwork:** Sophia Howard

Words by Mitchell Parish;  
Music by Leroy Anderson;  
Arr. by Mark Hayes

## ***Seahawk Camerata***

*Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town*

**Soloist:** August Rivers

Words by Haven Gillespie;  
Music by J. Fred Coots;  
Arr. by Jay Althouse

## ***Bella Voce***

*Sparkle Jolly Twinkle Jingle*

**Soloist:** Abigail Brenner

**Artwork & Student Photographer:** Audrey Kim

Words by Chad Begulin;  
Music by Matthew Sklar;  
Arr. by Andy Beck

## ***Noteworthy***

*Mirrors*

**Soloists:** August Rivers & Rita Ajit

Words & Music by Justin Timberlake, Timothy Mosley,  
Jerome Harmon, and James Fauntleroy;  
Arr. by Gabriel V. Incarnato

## ***DoReMigas***

*Should've Been Us*

**Soloists:** Hannah Carter, Mary Kalinowski,  
Chloe Baker, Avery Daniel, Alexa Norris

Words & Music by Tori Kelly;  
Arr. by Jake Odmark

## ***Chamber Singers***

*Glow*

Words by Edward Esch;  
Music by Eric Whitacre;  
Piano accompaniment arr by Lisa Edwards

## ***Select Treble Ensemble***

*Hope Lingers On*

Words and Music by Lissa Schneckenburger;  
Arr. by Andrea Ramsey

# A Cappella Ensembles

## *Noteworthy*

**Directors:** Lucas Heishman & Delia Hartman

Abby Jamison

David Whomsley

Gabriella Asfaw

Michael Panatier

Rita Ajit

August Rivers

Delia Hartman

Henry Carter

Paul Figueroa

Brianna Martin

Emme Kasprzyk

Lucas Heishman

Reilley Lin

## *DoReMigas*

**Directors:** Hannah Carter, Rebecca Yakobson, Dori Burdick

Alexa Norris

Avery Daniel

Danielle Kessler

Leila Zavala

Nathalie Batrez-Cortez

Violet Sather

Anna Lee Bartlett

Caroline Flood

Dori Burdick

Lisa Kalinowski

Rebecca Yakobson

Audrey Moore

Chloe Baker

Hannah Carter

Mary Kalinowski

Sharisse Mararac



*Flope*

# Choral Ensembles

## *Seahawk Camerata*

Alexander-Goncalves, Bradley  
Dhingra, Nikhil  
Gregory, Joshua  
McIntyre, Christian ^  
Rhodes, Lewis  
Smith, Cameron  
Spray, Jason

Batra, Arnav  
Escobar-Portillo, Rene  
Heishman, Lucas @^  
Patterson, Gabriel  
Rice, Noah  
Smith, Owen  
Thomas, Aidan

Carter, Henry ^  
Figueroa, Paul  
Lewis, Joshua  
Reges, Jasper  
Rivers, August #^  
Songer-Johnson, Nuri

## *Seahawk Chorale*

Badroune, Aicha  
Brennan, Bridget  
Finney, Sumaya  
Folkedal, Petra ^  
Kodali, Vaishnavi  
Mercado-Becerra, Danna  
Parish, Jayne  
Speed, Veronica

Banton, Maya  
Clay, Callista  
Flood, Caroline ^  
Gurney, Ashley  
Marik, Abigail  
Mickelson, Amelia  
Ranjit, Sriyaa  
Turner, Sophia

Beadles, Emilia ^  
Cook, Alina ^  
  
Hickey, Claire #  
Martinez Arias, Saira  
Mulvaney, Marley  
Shaw, Aemelia  
Whyte, Bianca

## *Bella Voce*

Aparicio, Cecilia  
Escobar Vasquez, Melani  
Kalinowski, Lisa  
Mayo, Aiyanna  
Reyes, Candy

Bangura, Labelle  
Goldstein, Bryn  
Kroon, Allison  
Mirzaei, Kani  
Uppal, Sneha

Brenner, Abigail  
Goldstein, Paige  
Martin, Brianna #  
Reveron, Mariah



# Student Ambassador    ^ All District Chorus  
@ A Cappella Director

# Choral Ensembles

## *Select Treble*

Ajit, Rita +^  
Batres Cortez, Nathalie  
DiBacco, Ireland +  
Hahn, Sydney  
Jones, Dajah  
Kirwan, Elana  
Mehlenbeck, Katelyn ^  
Scanlan, Brenna  
Stoops, Anna  
Werner, Emily

Asfaw, Gabriella ^  
Brabant, Evelyn #  
Evans, Catherine  
Hernandez-Estrada, Leslie  
Kalinowski, Mary +  
Lin, Reilley  
Norris, Alexa +^  
Singh, Manmeet +^  
Taxali, Jaeya  
Wheeler, Audrey

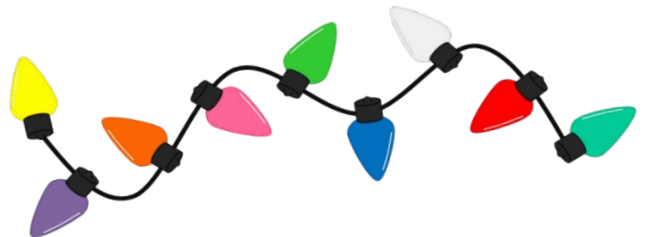
Baker, Chloe +  
Daniel, Avery  
Gullion, Jazmin  
Jamison, Abigail ^  
Kessler, Danielle +  
Mararac, Sharisse  
Sather, Violet ^  
Smith, Laurie  
Venkat, Harshini +^  
Zavala, Leila +^

## *Chamber Singers*

Batra, Arnav +^  
Carter, Hannah +@^  
Fudge, Bryce  
Guerber, Matthew ^  
Hartman, Delia +@^  
Johnson, Adam +  
Long, Robert  
Moore, Audrey +^  
Panatier, Michael  
Webb, Audrey

Burdick, Dorothy @  
Errett, Evelyn ^  
Gilmore, Jaelyn  
Guidry, Tamara  
Heishman, Lucas @^  
Kirr, Mikayla  
McGowan, Amy #  
Myers, Ethan  
Sheehan, Samuel  
Whomsley, David

Camacho-Zambrana, Chelsea +  
Falcone, Kathleen ^  
Gregory, Joshua  
Hansing, Nicholas  
Ishaq, Graham ^  
Lazo, Eduardo  
Miller, Nathan  
Norford, Michael  
van Hilst, Griffin  
Yakobson, Rebecca +@

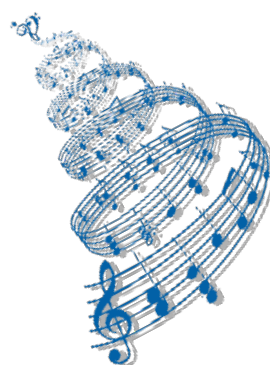


+ Chorus Officer	# Student Ambassador
@ A Cappella Director	^ All District Chorus



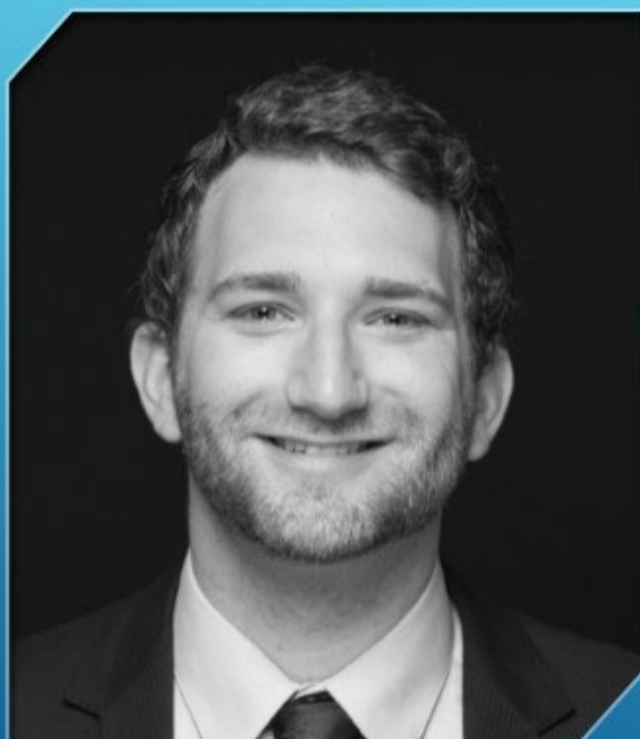
## About Director

**Rita Gigliotti has been** the Choral Director for South Lakes High School since 2005. Rita has been formally studying and performing music for more than 30 years. Rita has earned a Master of Music in Choral Music Education from Duquesne University, Pittsburgh (2005) and a Bachelor of Music in Music Education and Voice from Seton Hill University Greensburg, Pennsylvania (2001). Currently, Rita is earning a Graduate Artist Certificate in Music and Well-Being at George Mason University. Rita was most recently selected as a finalist for the Secondary Outstanding Co-Curricular Teacher of the Year by the FCPS Special Education PTA. She is a member of the National Association for Music Education, American Choral Directors Association, Contemporary A Cappella Society of America, A Cappella Education Association, and the Virginia Music Educators Association. She was recently selected to serve on the VMEA Advocacy & Government Relations Committee and Chair of Inequities Committee and is a past VMEA District XII Chorus Representative. She is also a past-president and current member of the Fairfax County Choral Directors Association.



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# South Lakes Choral Program

Throughout their four years in the South Lakes High School Choral Program, students learn vocal technique, music literacy, and develop an appreciation and in depth understanding of various musical genres including Classical, Jazz, Pop, Opera, Broadway, and World. They participate in adjudications and performances at venues throughout the United States and beyond. Students develop proper auditioning skills and participate in District, Regional, State, and National level choirs. They take part in making professional recordings and workshop with renowned professional musicians in the classroom. Students learn to arrange music, student direct performances and become independent musicians. Participation in community outreach performances and programs and the Tri-M music honor society enable students to enhance leadership skills, earn service hours, and share their passion for music with the greater community.

The South Lakes Choral Department is honored to be the recipient of the 2011 American Association for People with Disabilities (AAPD) Inclusion & Diversity in the Arts Award. AAPD is the largest non-profit cross disability organization in the United States. The award was presented at the 2011 AAPD Gala in front of an audience of over 900 Congressmen, Ambassadors, and Advocates from around the country who provide support and leadership for people with disabilities. Members of the South Lakes Choral Department performed for this audience which included Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan, and Lauren Potter who plays 'Becky' on the hit FOX TV show GLEE.

The South Lakes Choral Department consistently earns Superior ratings at adjudication festivals and due to combined efforts of the South Lakes High School Chorus, Band and Orchestra the Music Department continues to be awarded a Blue Ribbon by the Virginia Music Educators Association. The South Lakes Chorus Department is also honored to have been selected to perform at the 2011 Virginia Music Educator's Association In-Service Conference,

In March 2019, SLHS Choirs were selected, by audition, to perform in Carnegie Hall with Choirs of America. Following that performance, students who performed for Carnegie Hall in NY, NY spent additional time preparing an audition video to be considered to perform at Walt Disney World. South Lakes Choirs were honored to be accepted to perform a show set of our own at Disney Springs and then to perform alongside the Walt Disney World professional cast, professional orchestra, and Neil Patrick Harris (narrator) for Epcot's Candlelight Processional in December 2019.



Website: <https://southlakeschorus.org/>

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*This year is the 16th anniversary of Broadway Night and will be produced and presented virtually for the first time! This year's show will feature songs that went from Screen to Stage or Stage to Screen thus the theme **Screen and Stage!***

*It will have a Hollywood-esque feel to it!*

*Broadway Night is a musical theatre intensive designed to give our chorus and performing arts students an opportunity to perform in a Broadway themed musical revue. The experience includes working with professional choreographers and directors.*

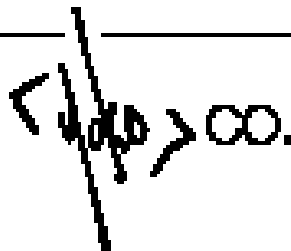




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The Parents for Choral Arts (PCA) is comprised of all parents of students who participate in the South Lakes High School Choral Program. The evolution of the South Lakes Choral Arts Program is dependent upon the support of the SLHS students, administration, parents, and community.

**PCA needs your support. Here is how you can make a difference:**

- If you are a parent or legal guardian of a SLHS Chorus student,  
[click here to join the PCA](#) OR **use the QR code below:**



- If you are a family member or friend of the chorus program (including alumni),  
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- If you would like to make a donation, [click here to make a donation](#).
- To volunteer, email [president@southlakeschorus.org](mailto:president@southlakeschorus.org)

**The Parents for Choral Arts (PCA) is committed to serving the South Lakes High School Choral Arts Program by:**

- Assuming leadership in creating and organizing musical, social, and educational opportunities, and activities for SLHS Choral Arts students.
- Providing means to fund musical events and activities that will academically and musically enrich the education of SLHS Choral Arts students
- Encouraging enculturation and music appreciation within the community by publicizing concerts and musical events presented by SLHS Choral Arts Program
- Advocating the value of participating in a choral music.
- Providing funding and volunteers.



# Parents for Choral Arts (PCA) continued

## Membership

We offer a level of membership for everyone, so please join us today and become an active supporter of our Choral Program. Your membership (one per household) entitles you to attend and vote at our monthly booster meetings. In addition, each household will be recognized by name in all choral concert programs.

- If you are a parent or legal guardian of a SLHS Chorus student,  
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## The PCA needs a few parent volunteers to help with:

- **Social Media:** post to our Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter about once a week
- **Treasurer Elect:** Shadow the current Treasurer and take over the position for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **Vice President and Members-at Large Elect:** Attend monthly zoom meetings and then take over the positions for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **Grant Writers:** Assist Choir Director with requests for funding.

If you can help with any of these jobs, please contact Susan Sather at  
[President@SouthLakesChorus.org](mailto:President@SouthLakesChorus.org)



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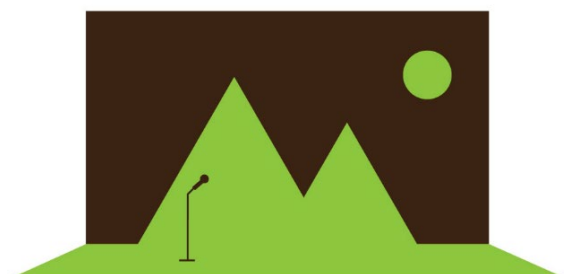
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