

Denver Gay Men's Chorus Denver Women's Chorus

Monday, July 9 • Boettcher Concert Hall • 5:00 pm

Denver Gay Men's Chorus Ben Riggs, Artistic Director Rick Miller, Pianist Gabrielle Dietrich, Assistant Conductor

The Promise of Living Music by Aaron Copland, lyrics by Horace Everett Boosey & Hawkes 48003284 (5:00)

Dance Ablaze!

Music by Janika Vandervelde, lyrics by Jody Johnson Earthsongs S-190 (4:00)

Seize the Day

Music by Alan Menken, lyrics by Jack Feldman Arranged by Roger Emerson Hal Leonard 40326231 (2:30)

Mama Afrika

Music by Sydney Guillaume, lyrics by Gabriel T. Guillaume Featuring Take Note and Sing Out, Louise! small ensembles Walton Music 08501716 (6:00)

The Blessing

Music and lyrics by Brendan Graham and David Downes Arranged by John Purifoy Hal Leonard 08749718 (3:00)

The Sounding Sea

Music by Eric William Barnum, lyrics by George William Curtis Hal Leonard 08501711 (5:00)

River Jordan

Music by Frank Wildhorn, lyrics by Jack Murphy Arranged by Mark Brymer Soloist: Candace Fondal Hal Leonard 08621303 (3:00)



Denver Women's Chorus Mark Zwilling, Artistic Director Joy Jenkins, Assistant Director Beth DeBoer, Accompanist

Choose to Bless the World

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Smile, Voluptuous Earth

Music by Jeffrey Nytch, lyrics by Walt Whitman World Premiere performance, dedicated to the Denver Gay Men's Chorus in celebration of their 30th Anniversary Manuscript (4:00)

Run Children Run

Music and lyrics a Traditional field yell Arranged by Stephen Hatfield Boosey & Hawkes 48004839 (3:00)

Cells Planets

Music and lyrics by Erika Lloyd Arranged by Vince Peterson *Featuring Take Note and Sing Out, Louise! small ensembles* Hinshaw Music HMC2280 (5:00)

From This House

Music by Ben Allaway, lyrics by Ben & Julianne Allaway Soloists: Michael Reilly and Donnie Lemley Santa Barbara Music SBMP 225 (5:00)

Choose to Bless the World

Music by Nick Page, lyrics by Rev. Rebecca Parker Boosey & Hawkes 48019823 (6:00)

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The Denver Gay Men's Chorus (DGMC) is celebrating its 30th Anniversary this year. Founded in 1982, DGMC was the first arts program in Colorado to use the word "gay" in its name. The chorus today is made up of over 160 volunteer singers from the Denver metropolitan area. DGMC has two smaller ensembles – the DGMC Ambassadors and Sing Out, Louise! – that assist in carrying out the mission of Building Community Through Music. DGMC is a member of Rocky Mountain Arts Association, an arts organization that also includes the Denver Women's Chorus, Out Loud: The Colorado Springs Men's Chorus, and Mosaic Youth Chorus.

The Denver Women's Chorus (DWC) was founded in 1984 and is a wonderful and diverse group of about 80 women who range in age from 19 to over 70, representing a wide variety of musical abilities and backgrounds. We seek a balance of music and fun, rehearsing on Sunday evenings and enjoying a weekend retreat each season in the Colorado Mountains. Under the direction of Mark Zwilling, DWC performs two to three concerts annually as well as participates in many local community outreach events.