Harding Academy Spring Chorus Concert

April 14, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. O. O. Emmons Auditorium



Ms. Andréa Campbell, A Cappella Director Mr. Rob Brannon, Middle School Chorus Director Mr. Trent Williamson, President Mrs. Ashley Lipe, Upper School Principal Mr. Corey Cunningham, Middle School Principal Mr. Eddy Efaw, Fine Arts Division Leader

Middle School Choir

Directed by Rob Brannon

Gloria Deo!traditional Latin text, music: Victor C. Johnson

Confitemini Dominotraditional Latin text; music: Victor C. Johnson

Poor Wayfaring Stranger...traditional African-American spiritual, arr. Christi Jones

Who Has Seen the Wind?words: Christina Rosetti, music: Bruce W. Tippette

The Potato Chip Rebellion....Harding Academy MSC 2023-2024, arr. Rob Brannon Soloists: Raven Brannon, Brooke Love Piano: Abigail English

Light of Grace.....traditional Irish & English blessings, music: Andy Beck

Soprano

Myah Arthur Lila Baughman Rae Brannon#^ Abigail English*^ Mindi Logan#^ Brooke Love (*) Samantha Melanson Kensie Wood

Alto

Princess Jones^ Marion Kizzee^ Olivia Ervin# Ruby Midyett Zori Parrett^ Aliyah Pineda#^ Eden Redd

Tenor

Evan Andrews Maison Braden*^ Ethan Bui Santi Meza^ Jacob Ware*^

* All West Honor Choir Member
(*) All West Honor Choir Alternate
All West Honor Choir Auditioner
^ Quad State Honor Choir Member

Chamber Chorus

Directed by Andréa Campbell

And So It Goeswords and music: Billy Joel, arr. Bob Chilcott Donovan Long, bass Rhegan Hunter, soprano

Soprano

Madison Harris@# Rhegan Hunter*@# Makayla Nelms*

Alto

Niya Evans* Emily Green@ Emily Hunt# Garner Meredith@#

Tenor

Camden Barber@&#+ Jayden Mays

Bass

Eli Brown*@# Donovan Long*@# Case Nowlin

*Senior @ Section Leader & All Southwest Sr. High Honor Choir # Quad State Honor Choir + All State Honor Choir Alternate

A Cappella Chorus Directed by Andréa Campbell

Non Nobis Domine	Rosephanye Powell, arr. William C. Powell		
No Time	Susan Brumfield		
All Things New	Elaine Hagenburg		
	Moses Hogan h Johnson, soprano		
	im Chester, vocalist		
My God and I	Austris A. Wihtol		
The Lord Bless You and Keep You	Peter Lutki		

Soprano Victoria Brooks* Bethany Cloer Francesca Cobb* Brean Douglas* Rhet Faris Madison Harris@# Rhegan Hunter*@# Skylah Johnson	Alto Ana Adkins Niya Evans* Emily Green@ Olivia Hamm Londyn Harper Josie Heckendorf# Emily Hunt# Destiny Johnson*	Tenor Camden Barber@&#+ Justin Barham Jayden Mays Zeke Robertson</th><th>Bass Eli Brown*@# Bruce Cooper Jordan Fisher Donovan Long*@# Case Nowlin James Thompson</th></tr><tr><td>Kali Johnston Makayla Nelms* Julia Turner Tori Wooten*</td><td>Naomi Lomax Garner Meredith@# Sophia Ray* Jasmine Watkins* Madison Wilson</td><td></td><td>* Senior @ Section Leader & All Southwest Sr. High Honor Choir # Quad State Honor Choir + All State Honor Choir Alternate</td></tr></tbody></table>
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It still feels new. This group has changed dramatically since last year; we're one person shy of tripling last year's numbers, but only three students remain from that choir, so it still feels new. And I love it! These kids have worked incredibly hard and learned so much this year. When they are locked in, they're unstoppable! I'm looking forward to next year's growth spurt and the adventures we'll experience together. Our standard is excellence, which we achieved this year, but going forward, superior effort will help us realize our potential, all for the glory of God!

To the parents: thank you for entrusting me with your precious children. They have been a joy to work, worship, celebrate, and struggle with. You're doing a phenomenal job of raising them; keep up the great work!

To the Harding faculty, staff, and administration: thank you for entrusting me with these outstanding musicians. It's an immense honor to be part of such a wonderful educational family. "Memphis Harding School's our treasure..."

To my invaluable friend Mrs. Delphime Huddleston: thank you for taking the time out of your schedule, trekking across Memphis, and pouring into these young professionals...and me! Tonight's excellence doesn't happen without you.

To my new friend Joseph Powell: you are such a blessing to me and these singers. Thank you for sharing your \$10 words with us and making them accessible to us regular folk. You are a superhero!

To my colleague and brother Colby Canterbury: you're the best! Thanks for letting us invade the band room in our displacement era, and for all of your encouragement and support!

To my friend and colleague Andrea Campbell: congrats on another stellar year! It's an honor to work with you and to witness you serving God's kingdom with excellence. Keep making incredible music to the glory of God!

To my family—Stephanie, Gabby, Dakota, Lillian, Rae, Vada, Una, and Juju: Thank you for being on this amazing adventure with me. I love you all more than you'll ever know!

And most importantly: "To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be praise and honor and glory and power forever and ever!" - Revelation 5:13

For the King and His kingdom, cheers! Rob "Mr. B." Brannon **Rob Brannon** is director of the Middle School Chorus and the 4th and 5th grade music teacher at Harding Academy in Memphis, TN. He is a 2003 graduate of West Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Music Performance, Percussion degree and a 2012 graduate of Trevecca Nazarene University with a Masters of Arts in Teaching. From 2005 to 2011 he performed worldwide as a member of the award-winning, Christian Music Hall of Fame ensemble, Acappella. He taught bands and percussion ensembles in Texas, Oklahoma, and Tennessee before becoming a worship minister in Tennessee, Arkansas, and Texas. In addition to his teaching duties at Harding Academy, he is the worship and technology minister at White Station Church of Christ. He is also in the late stages of creating a musical about the life of David...using soul music. Rob and his wife Stephanie have four daughters: Gabby (and her husband Dakota and their daughter Lillian), Raven, Vada, and Una, and one son: Juju. This is their fourth year at Harding Academy.



Good Evening!

What an incredible year we have had! This group has a special place in my heart. From my first performance together to tonight, we have all grown together. From excellence and superior ratings at CPA to memories made in rehearsals, it has been the honor of my life to teach these 36 students. I am looking forward to final performances together as well as wonderful time in Chicago on our Spring Tour to culminate an amazing year of music making.

To my seniors: I couldn't be more proud of you. Thank you for your leadership, your love, and your hard work. Know that Harding Academy will always be home, and this choir is cheering you on fearlessly as you take this next step into your future. I love you, and I mean it. Don't ever forget it.

To my students: thank you for trusting me to lead you this year. You all have taught me so much more than I could ever aspire to teach you. Thank you for beautiful year of growth, laughter, tears, mountains, valleys, and everything in between. It has been my honor to serve you.

To the ACP Student Leadership Team: words could never express how thankful I am for you all. You have gone above and beyond to serve your peers, and you've done it in a way that brings glory to God in all things. I'm so proud of you, and I thank God for you each time I think of you. To the parents and loved ones of these amazing students: thank you so much for your unwavering support of our program. Thank you for getting here early and staying up late. Thank you for trusting us with your most treasured gifts.

To our Head of School, Mr. Trent Williamson: thank you for the job of a lifetime and the privilege to serve our school community. Thank you for your support in all things. What a gift it is to serve under your careful leadership.

To our Upper School Principal, Mrs. Ashley Lipe: thank you for all you do to be present for our students and all of the faculty and staff at Harding Academy. You show up in ways big and small, and it is seen, valued, and appreciated. We love you.

To Dr. Scott Frizzell and Mrs. Jamie Barber: the show doesn't go on without your selflessness and unwavering support. Thank you for all you. I'm so appreciative of the both of you.

To our incredible Fine Arts Department, Mr. Eddy Efaw, Mrs. Lisa Jo Perdue, Mr. Matthew Floyd, Mr. Colby Canterbury, and Mr. Rob Brannon: thank you for your unwavering support all year long. I couldn't do this without an incredible team like you all. I'm honored to serve alongside you.

I want to dedicate tonight's performance to the memory of my late grandmother and best friend- Asaline Rodgers Bowman. Without her love and prayers, I wouldn't be here today.

My hope and prayer for this evening is my same prayer that I shared with A Cappella at the beginning of the school year. I pray that every piece sung, every word spoken, and every moment experienced is a pure worship unto God- "a rehearsal of the the New Creation."

May it be so. Andréa Campbell

Andréa Campbell is the Director of Vocal Performance at Harding Academy in Memphis, TN. A 2016 alumna of Harding Academy, Andréa earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree with a vocal emphasis from Murray State University in May 2020. Andréa has served as music teacher and choir director for Memphis Shelby County Schools as well as music teacher and fine arts director for New Hope Christian Academy. This is Andréa's fifth year of teaching and second year at Harding Academy.

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