



53rd Davies Concert Series Presents

'Tis The Season: A Vocal Music Recital

John Roberts, Baritenor

Eniya Neal, Soprano

Dr. Alex Chan, Piano

Sunday, December 1, 2024

4:00 PM

Davies Unitarian Universalist Congregation

7400 Temple Hills Road

Temple Hills, MD 20748

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Mary, Did You Know

Mark Lowry and Buddy Greene
Arranged by Jack Schrader

No Candle Was There And No Fire

Frances M. Gostling and Liza Lehmann

O Tannenbaum

Traditional
Arranged by David Foster

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

Traditional
Arranged by Sally DeFord

O Holy Night

Adolphe Adam

Intermission

What Child Is This

Traditional
Arranged by David Foster

Were You There on That Christmas Night

Natalie Sleeth
Arranged by Lloyd Larson

The Prayer

Carole Bayer Sager and David Foster
Transcribed by Mary Coy Whitmore

Blue Christmas

Bill Hayes and Jay W. Johnson

I Believe

E. Levisalles

God Bless Us Everyone

Glen Ballard and Alan Silvestri

Meet the Artists

John Roberts



John Roberts, a resident of Columbia, MD, is both an instrumentalist and vocalist. He graduated from Frederick Douglass High School in Upper Marlboro in 2019. He plays an array of instruments including trumpet, alto sax, soprano sax, clarinet, and flute. He is also a trained baritenor vocalist, having studied under both Barbara B. Masters and Dr. Theodore M. Guerrant. John has also studied trumpet performance with Monique E. Abbitt, and general music with Fred Mayes and Robert “Bob” K. Rausch. He is currently a member of the Southern Maryland Concert band in the trumpet section. He shares his vocal talent at a variety of churches in the MD and DC areas but enjoys serving as a cantor, member of the choir and occasional choir director at his church, St. Paul's Moravian Church in Upper Marlboro, MD. He tends to thrive best in the genres of Musical Theatre, Opera, and Spiritual Music. He is inspired by Luciano Pavarotti, Andrea Bocelli, Placido Domingo and Jonas Kaufman. John has been given the gift of music which is truly his passion in life.

Eniya Neal



Eniya Neal, John Roberts’s duet partner for this recital, is a resident of Prince George’s County, MD and is a soprano vocalist. She graduated from Frederick Douglass High School in Upper Marlboro in 2018 where she participated in the choir all 4 years as a 1st soprano and earned a position in the Honors Choir for 2 years. She has known John since they attended middle school together and both were in the Frederick Douglass High School choir, so collaborating is not new for them. She is currently employed in the Human Resources/Payroll field and is taking courses in Human Resources to broaden her knowledge in that area. During her free time, Eniya likes to play video games, loves drawing and listening to alternative hip hop and R&B music. She plans to travel to Japan in 2026 to learn more about the language and to be immersed in the Japanese culture.

Dr. Alex Chan



Alex Chan is an experienced voice accompanist, church pianist, orchestral keyboardist, and pianist for a variety of vocal ensembles in Maryland and Asia. In addition to playing the piano, he has also sung tenor in vocal ensembles in Asia, and the Chamber Singers of the University of Maryland, of which he has performed with the National Symphony Orchestra and Baltimore Symphony Orchestra in world-class performance halls. He won the gold prize in the piano duet category at the 3rd Piano Festival held in Singapore. Alex was born and raised in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He has recently earned a doctoral degree in Collaborative Piano at University of Maryland, College Park, where his final dissertation dealt with songs with non-poetic texts.

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4:00 PM

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Sunday, June 1, 2025
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Francesca Hurst, Pianist

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