DR. JONATHAN PALANT

CONDUCTOR

Jonathan Palant teaches choral music at the University of Texas at Dallas and is founder and conductor of Credo, a 115-member community choir, and the Dallas Street Choir, a musical outlet for those experiencing homelessness and disadvantage. In addition, Dr. Palant is minister of music at Kessler Park United Methodist Church, adult choir director at Temple Shalom Dallas, and is employed by the Dallas Independent School District to mentor middle and high school vocal music teachers.

Upcoming conducting engagements include all-state choirs in Kansas and North Carolina. In 2016, Dr. Palant presented lectures at the American Choral Directors Association Divisional Conference in Sioux Falls, and at state music conferences in Iowa, Montana, North Dakota and Wisconsin. This past June, he led 54 members of Credo on a cross-cultural mission and performance tour to Australia.

From 2007-2011, he served as Artistic Director of Dallas' Turtle Creek Chorale. Prior to that, Palant held collegiate teaching positions at Western Kentucky University and Madonna University, Livonia, Michigan. He taught secondary choral music at University School, an all-boys independent school in Cleveland, Ohio, and San Pasqual High School in Escondido, California.

Dr. Palant sits on the board of directors of the Intercollegiate Men's Choruses and has served on the state board of the Michigan chapter of the American Choral Directors Association and Youth First Texas where he was founder and conductor of Dallas PUMP!, a choir serving atrisk youth. In 2016, Musical America named Palant one of their "Innovators of the Year" for establishing the Dallas Street Choir. Both Palant's books, **Brothers, Sing On! Conducting the Tenor-Bass Choir**, and his **Brothers, Sing On! Choral Series** are published by the Hal Leonard Corporation. Dr. Palant holds degrees from Michigan State University, Temple University and the University of Michigan.

FREDERICA VON STADE

MEZZO-SOPRANO

Described by the *New York Times* as "one of America's finest artists and singers," Frederica von Stade continues to be extolled as a beloved figure in the music world with a career lasting over four and half decades. Ms. von Stade has appeared with every leading American opera company, including the Metropolitan Opera, San Francisco Opera, Lyric Opera of Chicago, and Los Angeles Opera. Her career in Europe has been no less spectacular, with new productions mounted for her at Teatro alla Scala, Royal Opera Covent Garden, Vienna State Opera, and Paris Opera. She has collaborated with the world's finest conductors, including Claudio Abbado, Charles Dutoit, James Levine, Kurt Masur, Riccardo Muti, Seiji Ozawa, André Previn, Leonard Slatkin, and Michael Tilson Thomas, and with the world's leading orchestras, including the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Chicago Symphony, Cleveland Orchestra, New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony, London Symphony Orchestra, Washington's National Symphony, and the Orchestra of La Scala. Ms. von Stade enjoys close collaborations with several contemporary composers, including Jake Heggie, Ricky Ian Gordon, and Dominick Argento, among others.

PROGRAM

Bright Morning Star

Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjeilo

Bound for the Promised Land

I Will Be A Child of Peace

We Can Be Kind

David Friedman arr. Kirby Shaw

I Love You/What A Wonderful World

He'll Make A Way

Arr. Byron Smith

CREDO

Toria Elllis, tenor

Ave Maria Franz Schubert

A Prayer to St Catherine Virgil Thomson

Priez pour paix Francis Poulenc

FREDERICA VON STADE, MEZZO-SOPRANO

Shall We Gather/Deep River Medley arr. Aaron Copland
Beautiful City (Godspell) Stephen Schwartz
Please Stay Jake Runestad
Somewhere (West Side Story) Leonard Bernstein & Stephen Sondheim

Ms. von Stade & the Dallas Street Choir DALLAS STREET CHOIR

Spinning Song

Hub Miller, arr. Jake Heggie

How We Love

Beth Nielsen Chapman, arr. Steven Couch

COMBINED ENSEMBLES

THE CHOIRS

CREDO

Taking its name from the Latin word meaning 'I believe,' Credo is a 115-singer mixed chorus based in Dallas, Texas. Founded and conducted by Dr. Jonathan Palant, Credo's mission is rooted not only in the power of music, but also in community, learning, equality, and in sharing one's fortunes with those less fortunate. Credo, now in its fifth season, has performed throughout Dallas and has undertaken concert tours to Australia, Cuba, Iceland, Latvia, Estonia, and Finland. For more information, visit CredoChoir.org

> Dr. Jonathan Palant. founder and conductor Scott Ayers, accompanist

DALLAS STREET CHOIR

The Dallas Street Choir was founded in 2014 by its conductor, Dr. Jonathan Palant. To date, nearly 1,500 individuals have attended at least one of weekly rehearsals amassing more than 9,000 hours of cultural enrichment. In addition to presenting concerts at The Stewpot, a dayshelter and Encore Park, the newly-built amphitheater adjacent to The Stewpot, the Dallas Street Choir has performed at the Winspear Opera House, the Dallas City Performance Hall, the George W. Bush Presidential Library, both public and at private schools throughout Dallas. Members have performed alongside opera stars Frederica von Stade and Joyce DiDonato, composer Jake Heggie, and, in November 2015, welcomed Mrs. Laura Bush, along with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Perot to our stage. For more information, visit DallasStreetChoir.org

> Dr. Jonathan Palant, founder and conductor Daniel Harp, accompanist Betty Heckman, assistant

CHOIR MEMBERS

CREDO

Catherine Acuna Jean Anderson Robert Ballard Susan Baxley David Binde Cody Burnette Susan Clark Carol Colbert Linda Coleman Diane Cuellar David Dunnigan Julie Fichelbaum Kathleen Ellis Deborah Emerson Carol Ferguson Sheli Erenberger Dorothy Fischer Vickie Fisk Ceil Flores A. Renee Fromm

Melissa Goldberg Catherine Gonzalez Sue Hall Sharon A. Harris Joann Hill Darcie Howard Regina Hunt Amy Mills Jackson Doug Jackson Mattie Jette Jenni Jennings Sunjun Kang Kenneth Kellev Colleen Kelley James Kille Sara Kitto Brian Knopp Julia Kuhn Catherine Land Wendy Larmour Kay Leibel

Robin Lightstone Patricia Lyons Joan Mahony Melissa Marsh Grace McDonald Paula Miller Anna Miller-Goodman Janis Nichols Ronald Nichols Cchea Nugent Saylor Nugent Erika Pelletier Evan Pelletier Tom Perkins Lynn Peterson Amy Diane Powell Norlynn Price Abigail Price Linda Salton Rudy Ray Seward Heather Shaw

Jeanne Teblum Nan Terry Carter Tiernan Mike Tuma Beth Van Amburgh Julie Van Horn Vanessa Vaughter Donna Vickers James Waldorf Woodrow Weilage Karen Wiese Angela Wilson Forbes Woods Jane Yetts Gary Zumwalt

DALLAS STREET CHOIR Elizabeth Armstrong

Christina Bover Donald Brown

Michael Brown Carmelo Cabrera Tony Copling Toria Ellis Michael Eskew David Ivv Ramon Jasso Steven Joiner Susan Botting Margaret Lewis Ricardo Lopez Misty Lyon Martina Magallon Emilio Peña Debra Scott Carolyn Smith Peter Smith Michael Walton

Jeffery Brown



The National Cathedral June 15, 2017

Jonathan Palant, conductor Scott Ayers, piano