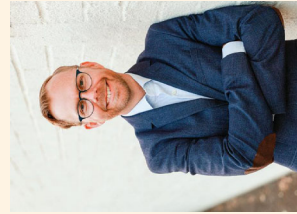




Summer Choral Intensive
July 15th @ 6pm



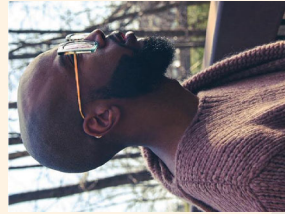
Bios



Juan Carlos Acosta is a critically acclaimed American conductor specializing in contemporary vocal music who has led world and regional premieres of choral works by Anthony Davis, Saundra Choi, Sarah Kirkland Snider, Kim André Arnesen, Brandon Waddles, and many others. He served as chorus master for the live world premiere of the film *Star Trek: Beyond* (Michael Giacchino) and the live premiere of music from the television series *The Lord of the Rings: The Rings of Power* (Bear McCreary). In addition to contemporary works, Juan Carlos has conducted nearly twenty different masterworks for choir and orchestra, and served as musical director and conductor for six productions of *All Is Calm: the Christmas Truce of 1914*, including San Diego Opera's award-winning production, which was hailed as "excellent" by *Broadway World*, "masterfully conducted" by the *San Diego Union-Tribune*, and "nothing short of amazing" by *OperaWire*. Juan Carlos has made conducting appearances with the New York City Opera, Vancouver Chamber Choir, San Diego Opera, Bodhi Tree Concerts, and the Los Angeles Choral Lab. In addition to his role as Artistic Director, Juan Carlos serves as the Director of Worship at the Village Community Presbyterian Church, where he directs the Chancel Choir, Village Community Chorale, and Youth Choir.



Dr. Keith Pedersen is in his twenty-fifth year on the faculty of Point Loma Nazarene University. After graduating from Northwest Nazarene University, he returned to his native Canada to direct high school choirs for six years. While earning graduate degrees in choral conducting from Temple University and the University of Illinois, he also directed church and community choirs and conducted several orchestras. At PLNU he is the conductor of the Point Loma Singers, a chamber choir; the Choral Union, a 150+ voice choir of students and community musicians that sings choral masterworks with orchestra; and the Vocal Jazz Ensemble program. In addition to his conducting responsibilities, he has taught courses in music history, conducting, and voice. He has been a choral clinician on both the east and west coasts. Dr. Pedersen has also served as the Director of Choral Ministries at La Jolla Presbyterian Church for the last 21 years.



As a composer, conductor, educator and music director, Brandon Waddles enjoys a multifaceted career spanning the musical gamut. Dr. Waddles, a Detroit native, is no stranger to the city's rich musical legacy. Currently serving as Director of Choral Activities at Wayne State University and Artistic Director of the Rackham Choir, his commitment to music in schools and community envelops the wealth of his creative experience and outlook. Brandon's choral compositions and arrangements have been published and performed by choral ensembles around the world. In 2019, he was awarded as the inaugural recipient of the ACDA Diverse Voices Collaborative Grant. In addition, he has worked as a transcriber of Black gospel music for numerous choral octavos, hymnals and hymnal supplements published by GIA, including his work as a contributing editor for the *One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism* hymnal. Brandon's release of *Just In Case You've Forgotten* is the first selected compendium of works by the late Thomas Whitfield, the subject of his dissertation. Dr. Waddles' scholarship on Black sacred music has been experienced in the halls of Harvard, Yale, Morehouse and Hampton, and most recently on American Black Journal as seen on PBS. Recently serving as Music Director for Grammy award-winning recording artist Ledisi, Brandon has collaborated with the celebrated singer on multiple occasions, including her *Nina & Me* concert series, the *LEDISI: THE LEGEND OF LITTLE GIRL BLUE* show-run at the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, and *Ledisi Live: A Tribute to Nina Simone* as seen on PBS. Dr. Waddles persists in his commitment to community as National Music Director for NAACP ACT-50, Artist in Residence at Midland Centre for the Arts, as well as Assistant Director of Music at Christ Church Cranbrook.

Program

SUMMER CHORAL INTENSIVE

HINEY MAH TOV.....ARR. IRIS LEVIN
 AND SO IT GOES.....OPB BILLY JOEL, ARR. ROBERT CHILCOTT
 LAY A GARLAND.....ROBERT PEARSALL
 SING ALL ALONG THE WAY!.....ARR. BRANDON WADDLES

SCI TENOR & BASS CHOIR

MY HEART BE BRAVE.....MARQUES L.A. GARRETT

SCI TREBLE CHOIR

HOW HIGH THE MOON.....ARR. JAY ALTHOUSE

SCI FACULTY ENSEMBLE

EARTH SONG.....FRANK TICHELI

SACRA/PROFANA

HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HAND.....ARR. BRANDON WADDLES
 SOLOIST: DANIELLE PERAULT
 CAN YOU SEE.....ZANAIDA ROBLES
 WALK IN THE LIGHT.....ARR. BRANDON WADDLES

SUMMER CHORAL INTENSIVE & SACRA/PROFANA

WORLD PREMIER:

SERMONIC MEDITATION: OUR LOVE IS GROWING UP

BY BRANDON WADDLES

Text & Translations

Hiney Mah Tov

Hiney mah tov umah nayim
shevet achim gam yachad!

How good it is to live as one,
Brothers and sisters, one world!

And So It Goes

In every heart there is a room
A sanctuary safe and strong
To heal the wounds from lovers past
Until a new one comes along

I spoke to you in cautious tones
You answered me with no pretense
And still I feel I said too much
My silence is my self defense

And every time I've held a rose
It seems I only felt the thorns
And so it goes, and so it goes
And so will you soon, I suppose

But if my silence made you leave
Then that would be my worst mistake
So I will share this room with you
And you can have this heart to break

And this is why my eyes are closed
It's just as well for all I've seen
And so it goes, and so it goes
And you're the only one who knows

So I would choose to be with you
That's if the choice were mine to make
But you can make decisions too
And you can have this heart to break

And so it goes, and so it goes
And you're the only one who knows

Lay a Garland

Lay a garland on her hearse
of dismal yew;
Maidens, willow branches wear;
say she died true.
Her love was false, but she was firm.
Upon her buried body lie
lightly, thou gentle earth.

Sing All Along the Way!

Oh, I'm a gonna sing!
Gon' sing all along the way!
We'll raise the Christian banner,
The motto's new and old.
Repentance and salvation
are graven there in gold!

Oh, I'm a gonna sing!
Gon' sing all along the way!
We'll shout o'er all our sorrows,
And sing forevermore,
With Christ and all his army,
On that celestial shore.

He's just the same today!
And the God that lived in Moses' time.

My Heart Be Brave

My heart be brave, and do not falter so,
Nor utter more that deep, despairing wail.
Thy way is very dark and drear I know,
But do not let thy strength and courage fail;
For certain as the raven-winged night
Is followed by the bright and blushing morn,
Thy coming morrow will be clear and bright;
'Tis darkest when the night is furthest worn.
Look up, and out, beyond, surrounding clouds,
And do not in thine own gross darkness grope,
Rise up, and casting off thy hind'ring shrouds,
Cling thou to this, and ever inspiring hope:
Tho' thick the battle and tho' fierce the fight,
There is [a] power [in] making for the right.

How High the Moon

How high, how high the moon.
Somewhere there's music, how faint the tune.
Somewhere there's heaven, how high the moon

There is no moon above when love is far away too,
till it comes true that you love me as I love you.

Somewhere there's music, it's where you are.
Somewhere there's heaven, How near, how far.

The darkest night would shine
If you would come to me soon.
Until you will, how still my heart,
How high the moon.

Earth Song

Sing, Be, Live, See.
This dark stormy hour,
The wind, it stirs.

Cries out in vain:
O war and power,
You blind and blur,
The torn heart.

Cries out in pain.
But music and singing
Have been my refuge,
And music and singing

Shall be my light.
A light of song
Shining Strong: Alleluia!

Through darkness, pain, and strife, I'll
Sing, Be, Live, See...
Peace.

Walk in the Light

Walk in the light, beautiful light,
Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright;
Shine all around us by day and by night,
Jesus, the light of the world.

He's shining, He's shining in my soul!
He's shining, Jesus the King of glory:
He's shining in my soul!

He's Got the Whole World in His Hand

Let us cheer the weary traveler,
Cheer the weary traveler.
Let us cheer the weary traveler
along the heavenly way!

He's got the whole world in His Hand.

He's got the little bitty babies in His Hand.

Don't get weary traveler!
Come along home to Jesus.

He's got you and me right in His Hand.
He's got everybody in His Hand!

Sermonic Meditation: Our Love is Growing Up

Children, we all shall be free

Love is a growing up
Love does not start nor end
the way we think it should
Love is a battle

We want no cowards in our band
that will their colors fly

Love is a war

We call for valiant hearted men
who aren't afraid to die
When the Lord shall appear

Can You See

O say can you see by the dawn's early light?
Love is Love.

Black Lives Matter.

Women's rights are human rights.

No human is illegal.

Science is real.

Water is life.

Kindness is ev'rything

O say does that star spangled banner yet wave?
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

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Jennifer Opdahtl - Piano
Brandon Waddles - Piano
Eric Wesling - Bass
Dante Fire-Drums

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