

SONG OF THE ANGELS FLUTE ORCHESTRA

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The next **Song of the Angels Flute Orchestra** concert, **Thanksgiving Praises**, will be held on **Sunday, November 15th, at 2:00 p.m.** at the **Chapel of the Cross Lutheran Church**, located at 10000 Sepulveda Blvd., Mission Hills, CA 91345, north of Lassen Street and south of Devonshire Street, on the east side of Sepulveda. Parking lots are located in the front and in rear of the church building, also along the long driveway to the far [east] rear of church lot. (Phone: 818- 892-8490.)

In her review of the orchestra's *Live at St. James in the City* CD, Eugenia Zukerman, Classical Music Correspondent for **CBS News Sunday Morning**, wrote "The ensemble is beautifully balanced and plays with elegance and beauty. Concertmaster Frederick Staff's tone is rich and warm as he leads this group of superb players...Samuel Barber's iconic 'Adagio for Strings' is even more powerful played by **Song of the Angels Flute Orchestra**. Somehow the resonance of the flutes' sonorities brings out the poignance and visceral pain of loss one senses listening to this great work."

Recently, SOA Conductor Charles Fernandez was contracted by Disney to orchestrate and conduct the orchestral score for the trailer to **Spectre**, the new James Bond movie. For the November concert, he will lead **Song of the Angels Flute Orchestra** in **Fantasy on Coventry Carol** by Catherine McMichael, John Williams' **Fantasy Medley**, **Silver Winds in the Night** arranged by Jackson Berkey (Manheim Steamroller,) Colin Touchin's **Heroics**, **The Winter's Passed** by Wayne Barlow and **The Nutcracker Suite** by Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky including the **Miniature Overture**, **March**, **Danse of the Sugar Plum Fairy**, **Arab Danse**, **Danse of the Mirlitons** and **Chinese Danse**.

The Winter's Passed, written by Wayne Barlow "for Francine Ross Pancost," the Principal Alto Flute for **SOA Flute Orchestra**. Francine will perform as Alto Flute soloist in a special arrangement of **The Winter's Passed** by her husband, Dr. Raymond Pancost. She earned her Bachelor's degree from the Eastman School of Music, studying with Joseph Mariano, and a Masters from U.S.C. Francine is also currently Director/Conductor of the Jewel City Flute Choir. She has just begun a music publication company "SilverWinds" including 3 of her arrangements; Francine continues to arrange new pieces for flute ensembles. Mrs. Pancost maintains an active teaching studio.

Francine has been heard live on KUSC, KFAC radio and many recordings. She has performed with the Santa Barbara Symphony, Long Beach Symphony, Chuck Mangione, Foothill Artists Trio and Five Winds Quintet including performing for the Da Camera Society, South Bay Chamber Music Series and LACMA. Francine performed in the Aspen Music Festival and Chamber Orchestras and has filmed for Bravo TV.

General Admission: \$15/Adult, \$10/Church Members and \$5/Children under 18. The proceeds will help fund a double contrabass flute (\$8,000) for the orchestra! To hear excerpts from previous **Song of the Angels Flute Orchestra** concerts, go to www.soafluteorchestra.com/videos/. For details on the concert, please contact Frederick Staff, Founder and Artistic Director of the **SOA Flute Orchestra** at 323.823.1078. End