CONCERT PROGRAM Thursday, December 8, 2016 at 7:30PM

A GOSPEL CHRISTMAS WITH RICHARD SMALLWOOD

Kevin McBeth, conductor Richard Smallwood with Vision St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus Kevin McBeth, director

STEVEN AMUNDSON	Angels' Dance
JOHN RUTTER	Allegro vivace from Gloria St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
arr. Wilberg	"The First Nowell" St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
KEITH HAMPTON	" Praise His Holy Name! " St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
RICHARD SMALLWOOD	" You Brought Me" Richard Smallwood with Vision
RICHARD SMALLWOOD arr. Steven W. Mauldin	" Follow the Star " Richard Smallwood with Vision St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
arr. Steven W. Mauldin	" O Come, O Come, Emmanuel " Richard Smallwood with Vision St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
RICHARD SMALLWOOD	" I Love the Lord " Richard Smallwood with Vision
KIRK FRANKLIN arr. Smith	" Joy" from The Preacher's Wife Teresia Simmons, soprano Reginald Davis, bass St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
PAUL DAVID WILSON arr. Warren/Jackson/ Kibble/Hey/Chinn	" Hallelujah" from <i>Handel's Messiah: A Soulful Celebration</i> Curtis McGruder, tenor St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus

INTERMISSION

RICHARD SMALLWOOD arr. Atwater	<i>Procession of the Levites and Anthem of Praise</i> Richard Smallwood with Vision St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
RICHARD SMALLWOOD arr. Barry	" Trust Me " Richard Smallwood with Vision
arr. McElroy/Joubert/Red	" What Child Is This?" Samantha Minor, soprano Daniel McRath, tenor St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
arr. Bradley Knight	" God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen" Karen E. Hylton, soprano St. Louis Symphony IN UNISON Chorus
RICHARD SMALLWOOD	" Same God " Richard Smallwood with Vision
RICHARD SMALLWOOD	" Thank You" Richard Smallwood with Vision

This concert is supported by Monsanto Fund.

KEVIN MCBETH

Kevin McBeth was appointed Director of the IN UNISON Chorus in January 2011. He is the Director of Music at Manchester United Methodist Church in suburban St. Louis. He serves as full-time administrator for the Music Ministry, which includes 18 choral and handbell ensembles, involving nearly 500 children, youth, and adults. He has also recently served as Adjunct Professor in Choral Music at Webster University.

Over the past 20 years, he has conducted honor, festival, and touring choirs (choral and handbell) in the United States and Canada. Previous appointments include Assistant Conductor of the St. Louis Symphony Chorus and Music Director of the St. Louis Metro Singers. His 30-year career in church music has included appointments in churches in Houston and Cedar Rapids.



Kevin McBeth

RICHARD SMALLWOOD

World-class composer, pianist, and arranger Richard Smallwood has clearly and solidly changed the face of gospel music. He can impeccably blend classical movements with traditional gospel, and arrive at a mix that is invariably his alone. A diverse and innovative artist, Smallwood has achieved many honors: Dove Awards and a Grammy Award attest to his talents.

Smallwood graduated *cum laude* from renowned Howard University with degrees in both vocal performance and piano. His gifts were stirred up early in life. At age five, he was playing piano by ear, at seven, began formal training, and at eleven, formed his first gospel group. With his group Vision, he has recorded three projects for Verity records: *Adoration, Rejoice*, and the newest entitled *Healing...Live in Detroit*.



Richard Smallwood

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Steven Jarvi



MERCY HOLIDAY CELEBRATION Fri, Dec 16, 2:00pm and 7:30pm Sat, Dec 17, 2:00pm and 7:30pm Sun, Dec 18, 2:00pm Steven Jarvi, conductor; Nicole Parker, vocalist Holiday Festival Chorus; Kevin McBeth, director

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DISNEY IN CONCERT: TALE AS OLD AS TIME Fri, Dec 29, 7:00pm | Sat, Dec 30, 7:00pm Aram Demirjian, conductor; Lisa Livesay, vocalist; Whitney Claire Kaufman, vocalist; Aaron Phillips, vocalist; Andrew Johnson, vocalist

Disney in Concert: Tale as Old as Time explores iconic moments, plot twists and feats of daring heroics from Frozen, Beauty and the Beast, Cinderella, The Little Mermaid, Tangled, The Lion King and many more.

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DILP VISHWART

David Robertson



BMO Private Bank New Year's Eve Celebration Sun, Dec 31, 7:30pm David Robertson, conductor

Ring in the New Year with Music Director David Robertson and the STL Symphony for the annual New Year's Eve's Celebration. Enjoy an enchanting evening full of magical music and unforgettable surprises!

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Gil Shaham

CONCERT PROGRAM Friday, December 9, 2016 at 7:00PM Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 7:00PM Sunday, December 11, 2016 at 2:00PM

LIVE AT POWELL HALL

MANNHEIM STEAMROLLER CHRISTMAS SYMPHONY

Arnie Roth, conductor

Hark Fanfare Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Do You Hear What I Hear? Traditions of Christmas Little Drummer Boy Greensleeves We Three Kings Cantique de Noel Carol of the Bells Hallelujah

INTERMISSION

Deck the Halls Pat-a-Pan / Fum, Fum, Fum Medley Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming Joy to the World Renaissance Suite: Gagliarda In dulci jubilo Wassail, Wassail Carol of the Birds I Saw Three Ships God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen Silent Night

The concert of Saturday, December 10, is underwritten in part by a generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. Norman L. Eaker.



Arnie Roth

ARNIE ROTH

A classically trained violinist, conductor, composer, producer, and Grammy Award-winning artist, Arnie Roth performs across a wide array of musical genres. He has performed with a host of artists, including Il Divo, Diana Ross, Jewel, The Three Tenors, The Irish Tenors, Charlotte Church, Josh Groban, Patrick Stewart, Branford Marsalis, Peter Cetera, and Andrea Bocelli. He is also a long-time member of the Grammy awardwinning group Mannheim Steamroller. Roth has conducted the London Symphony, Hollywood Bowl Philharmonic, Royal Philharmonic, Royal Stockholm Philharmonic, Atlanta Symphony, Dallas Symphony, Houston Symphony, Los Angeles Philharmonic, Nashville Symphony, Oregon Symphony, Vancouver Symphony, BBC Symphony, San Francisco Symphony, San Diego Symphony, Seattle Symphony, Winnipeg Symphony, Joffrey Ballet, Ravinia Festival, Tokyo Philharmonic, Colorado Symphony, WDR Rundfunkorchester Köln, and the Sydney Symphony. He brought critical acclaim to the Chicagoland Pops Orchestra as music director and principal conductor showcasing artists including Michael Feinstein, Linda Eder, Art Garfunkel, Linda Ronstadt, Wynonna Judd, Judy Collins, the Beach Boys, and Johnny Mathis. Under his direction, the Chicagoland Pops Orchestra appeared in a nationally broadcast PBS Special featuring The Irish Tenors.

Roth's talents extend into the area of film production and composition as well. He was commissioned by Gerald Arpino, founder and a choreographer of the Joffrey Ballet, to write an original composition for a new Arpino ballet premiered in Chicago that he conducted. He produced and conducted music for the Robert Altman film *The Company*. He has produced and conducted music for many films, and has produced dozens of best-selling CDs, released on American Gramophone, JVC, Mattel, Warner Bros., Sony, Koch, and Razor