

**Forest Lake Area High School Cantorei**

**PROGRAM**

**John Guidry, conductor**

**Maurya Laqua, piano**

When the Earth Stands Still ..... Don Macdonald  
Elijah Rock ..... arr. Jester Hairston  
Like a River In My Soul ..... arr. Tim Osiek

**Festival Choir** Famine Song ..... Matthew Culloton

**Chisago Lakes High School Select Choir**

**Jacquie Udem, conductor**

Bullerengue ..... arr. Jose A Rincon, Jorge Artel  
Musicks Empire (from Triptych) ..... Lloyd Pfautsch & Andrew Marvell  
Will the Circle Be Unbroken ..... arr. J. David Moore  
(traditional Appalachian)

**Festival Choir** I Sing Because I'm Happy ..... Kenneth Padden

**Unexpected Company Chorale**

**Ken Cheney, conductor**

**Carol Maurer, piano**

**Don Karsky, percussion**

River of Dreams ..... Billy Joel, arr. Mark Brymer  
Jane Crompton & Olivia King, soloists  
Africa ..... David Paich & Jeff Porcaro, arr. Roger Emerson  
Always Keep This Close ..... Zachary Moore

**Festival Choir** Sisi Ni Moja ..... Jacob Narverud

**Shari Speer, Festival Choir Clinician and Conductor**



*Shari Speer is a member of the music faculty at St. Olaf College, where she uses her extensive singing, teaching, and conducting skills in the voice studio and as co-director of St. Olaf Lyric Theatre. An active Twin Cities performer, Shari is Soprano Soloist and Assistant Director of Music at Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church in Minneapolis, where she sings and often conducts all the great church music repertoire. In her combined work with voices and choirs, Prof. Speer has taught on the voice and choral faculties of Concordia University (St. Paul, MN); Gustavus Adolphus College (St. Peter, MN); Luther College (Decorah, IA); Augustana College (Rock Island, IL); and Westminster Conservatory (Princeton, NJ).*

*Prof. Speer earned the degrees of Bachelor of Music Education (Augustana College, Rock Island, IL), Master of Music in Voice Performance and Pedagogy (Westminster Choir College, Princeton, NJ), with post-Baccalaureate work in voice at the University of Minnesota, Twin-Cities Campus. Prof. Speer often assists major international artists as the designated page-turner for the Saint Paul Schubert Club and the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra. In her free time, Shari enjoys attending concerts and theatre, traveling, kayaking, hiking, cooking, reading, and discovering labyrinths.*

*Prof. Speer is married to Dr. Jeffrey Stirling, artistic director and conductor of the Saint Paul Civic Symphony and the Minnetonka Symphony Orchestra.*

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