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Cal Poly Choirs To Perform 'Christmas Celebration' Dec. 7

SAN LUIS OBISPO -- Several of Cal Poly's choral groups will help ring in the holidays with their annual concert, "A Christmas Celebration," at 8 p.m. Dec. 7 in Harman Hall in the Christopher Cohan Center.

The Cal Poly Choirs and barbershop quartets, including Here Comes Treble, will perform. The choirs are made up of three ensembles: PolyPhonics, a 34-member mixed choir; The University Singers, Cal Poly's largest mixed choir; and Cal Poly Vocal Jazz, a more intimate group of up to 10.

The choirs are conducted by Thomas Davies and will be accompanied by Susan Azaret Davies and Catherine Harvey, all members of the Music Department.

In addition to singing traditional compositions from the Renaissance and newly composed works, the choirs will invite the audience to participate in a carol sing-along.

This year's program will feature two new compositions by Cal Poly music faculty members Meredith Brammeier and Antonio "Greg" Barata. PolyPhonics will perform Brammeier's setting of the English carol "Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day." Barata has composed the words and music for "Where Is the Child of God," to be performed by The University Singers.

The ensembles will also perform works by Jan Pieters Sweelink, Eric Whitacre, Edwin Fissinger and Gary Garcia.

Tickets to the "A Christmas Celebration" are $12 to $15 for the public, $10 to $13 for senior citizens, and $7 to $10 for students. Tickets can be bought at the Performing Arts Ticket Office from 10 a.m. to 6
p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call 756-ARTS (2787).

The holiday concert is sponsored by Cal Poly's Music Department, College of Liberal Arts and Instructionally Related Activities program.

For more information, call the Music Department at 756-2406.
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