THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS
The Portland Symphony Orchestra Bruce Hangen, Conductor
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DEC. 15, 16, 17, 18, 1983
The Portland Symphony Orchestra
59th Season, 1983-84

Beverly Blythe, Music Director and Conductor
Bob Elliott

Boy Singers of Maine,
Rebecca Schnell, Director
Parish Bell Ringers,
Albert Packard, Director

Douglas Rafter
Magic of Christmas Chorus,
Stewart Shuster, Director

City Hall Auditorium, Portland, Maine
Thurs., Dec. 15 at 7:45, Fri., Dec. 16 at 7:45
Sat., Dec. 17 at 2:00 and 7:45
Sun., Dec. 18 at 3:00 and 7:45

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Douglas Rafter will give a recital at the Kotzschmar Memorial Organ
one hour before each concert.

MOURET Rondeau, from Sinfonies de Fanfares
BACH In Dulci Jubilo
BACH Sleepers, Wake!
DAQUIN Noël sur les Flutes
DAQUIN Noël: Grand Jeu et Duo
TCHAIKOVSKY Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy and
Dance of the Reed Flutes from "Nutcracker"
BONNET The Elves
DUPRÉ Toccata on the "Gloria"
YON Gesu Bambino
GUILMANT March on a Theme from Handel’s "Messiah"

HOPSON Joyful Praise
PARISH BELL RINGERS
CORELLI/HORNIBROOK Pastorale and Allegro, from "Christmas Concerto"
PARISH BELL RINGERS
WILHOUSKY/HAYMAN Carol of the Bells
BACH Break Forth, O Beauteous Light, from
"Christmas Oratorio"
MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS CHORUS
BRITTEN Hodie Christus Natus Est, from "Ceremony of Carols"
BOY SINGERS OF MAINE
BACH Christians, Be Joyful, from "Christmas Oratorio"
MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS CHORUS
VAUGHAN-WILLIAMS Children's Christmas Song and Wassail Song,
from "Four Seasons"
BOY SINGERS OF MAINE
O. HENRY Gifts of the Magi
BOB ELLIOTT
HELY-HUTCHINSON  A Carol Symphony
O Come, All Ye Faithful, The First Noel,
Here We Come A-Wassailing

INTERMISSION

LORENZ  Bell Jubilee
PARISH BELL RINGERS

CALLAHAN, arr.  Gloria
PARISH BELL RINGERS

PROKOFIEV  Troika, from "Lieutenant Kije"

ANDERSON  Sleigh Ride

FIELD  Jest Fore Christmas
BOB ELLIOTT

HOLCOMBE, arr.  The Twelve Days of Christmas
PSO BRASS ENSEMBLE

MOORE  A Visit from St. Nicholas
BOB ELLIOTT

BENNETT  Christmas Cantata IV
God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen, It Came Upon
a Midnight Clear, Now is Born the Divine Christ Child,
O Holy Night
MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS CHORUS

Christmas Carol Sing-Along
(Words begin on page 11.)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
Deck the Halls
Jingle Bells
O Come All Ye Faithful
Silent Night
We Wish You a Merry Christmas

The Portland Symphony Orchestra Board of Trustees, Women’s Committee, musicians and staff wish you and yours happy holidays and all the best in 1984.

The “Magic of Christmas” concert will be broadcast at the following times:
December 22 at 8 p.m. on WMEA-FM (90.1)
December 23 at 9:05 p.m. on WDCS-FM (106.3)
December 24 at 2 p.m. on WGAN-FM (102.9)
December 24 at 7-8 p.m. on WGAN-TV (13)
The Portland Symphony Orchestra, a fully-professional 80-member orchestra, is in its 59th season. Music Director and Conductor Bruce Hangen, who is in his eighth season with the PSO, has established himself as one of this country's leading young conductors. The Symphony's year-round schedule includes seven classical concerts, four pops concerts, eight chamber orchestra concerts, a summer series and a variety of educational programs.
STEWARD SHUSTER is director of the Portland Community Chorus and founder of the Portland Choral Art Society. He has directed the Magic of Christmas Chorus for the past two years. He has been organist and choirmaster at Trinity Episcopal Church for the past 20 years. He is on the faculties of USM, Bates College, St. Joseph's College, and Waynflete. He has been music director for the Ocean Park Summer Assembly and several Portland Players' musicals.

Sopranos
Martha Allen
Pamela Beal
Elinor Bliss
Gloria Bonnin
Pat Brinkman
Lois Brix
Elizabeth Buxton
Paulette
Grondin-Cardillo
Marie Crocket
Jane Dahlquist
Kay Dawley
Elizabeth DellaValle
Donna DiSimio
Mia Dodge
Ruth Doyle
Carol Faunce
Gloria Fitzpatrick
Helen Garrity
Deborah Hall
Marguerite Harnois
Ann Harriman
Carolyn Holman
Althea Irish
Gwen Jodrie
Johanna Klein
Joan Lawsure
Mary Mardas
Judith McKinney
Brenda Mackin
Shirley Minster
Ann Mitton
Holly Moore
Susan Murphy
Cheryl Nolan
Barbara O'Leary
Agnes Olsen
Jennie Pettengill
Faith Pock
Suzanne Quirk
Suzanne Sharaf
Diane Simmons
Margery Shuster
Jackie Skvorak
Bobbie Richardson
Sr. Kathleen
Thornton
Janice Tisdale
Jacqueline Waugh
Dorothy Wilson
Anne-Mayre
Schroeder
Eileen Skillin
Marcelle Smiley
Helen Smith
Ruth Stewart
Susannah Swihart
Elaine Waugh
Sue Williamson
Jean Willis
Barbara Wigley
Kathy Woodin
Natalie Wovkonish
Carrie Wroth
Deborah Wrench
Altos
Ann Berry
Judy Burnham
Lisa Campbell
Ellen Coppola
Nancy Crosby
Carolyn Davidson
Beth DiSimio
Joan Fickett
Dorothy Hamann
Amy Grondin
Paula Harvey
Andrea Hodgkins
Lee Hutchinson
Joanne Jansen
Beth Johnson
Susan Kern
Judy Kirk
Betty Lee
Ann Lucas
Lisa Mardas
Adma Meggison
Brenda Morneau
Stephanie Morris
Mary Nicholas
Ethel Pacillo
Mary Packard
Maria Popasadora
Sylvia Primrose
Barbara Ribeck
Ruth Ryall
Susan Scievour
Mary Ellen Schaper

Kevin Cyr
Lester Evans
Marty Grant
Chris Harris
John Harrison
Lewis Harvey
Bill Jones
Willard Johnson
Richard Leighton Jr.
Geoffrey Lucas
John McVey
David Melville
Robert Mitton
Ed Nelson
Robert Oakley
Rick Seely
David Swanson
Wayne Traver
David E. Wallace
Joel Waterhouse
Dan Wellehan
David Wigley
John Zappe

Soprano Accompanist

Kari Kent,
Accompanist

Jane Dahlquist,
Chorus Coordinator

These 450 volunteers come from many communities, including Gardiner, Rockland, Limertick, Bath, Freeport, Biddeford, Falmouth, Gorham, Portland, Cape Elizabeth, Scarborough, Yarmouth and South Portland.