

Here's to the pext 100 years of singing!

Dr. Mikhail Shtangrud Artistic Director

Dr. Anna Krendel Pianist A virtual concert on Saturday, December 19, 2020

> With special guest performe s MUSYCA Children's Choir



### A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

2020. What an extraordinary year it's been! The Burbank Chorale celebrates 100 years of choral excellence.

We started planning the Burbank Chorale's Centennial celebration around 5 years ago. The big idea was to perform a major concert for the community at some prestigious venue, such as the Starlight Bowl in Burbank, with the mayor and other dignitaries in attendance. A series of ancillary activities, events and appearances throughout the year would round out the festivities, along with a social media and publicity campaign.

Well nothing could have prepared us for the sudden shutdown in March! As weeks stretched into months, we had to rethink everything – from rehearsals to concerts, fundraising and membership recruitment.

In April, we produced our first Virtual Choir - If Music Be the Food of Love, Sing On – a beautiful message of hope – that the Chorale will survive, and even thrive during these unprecedented times.

Over the summer, we resolved to continue choir business as usual, only virtually. Our fall semester started in September, with rehearsals conducted on Zoom. It was thrilling to see how many singers participated – and in some ways, the Zoom environment made the meetings more intimate, and our time together felt more precious.

Now we are proud to announce our first ever Virtual Holiday Concert: Sing On! This concert was made possible by the generosity of our singers, who donated their time, talent and funds to the production, along with our incredible artistic director Mikhail Shtangrud and accompanist Anna Krendel.

Although a virtual performance will never replace the immediacy and excitement of the live experience, it has challenged us to expand our technical capabilities as artists and has tested the resilience of a 100 year old organization.

Here's to the next 100 Years!

**Kyrian Corona** 



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#### **About the Artistic Director**



**Mikhail (Misha) Shtangrud** was named the Artistic Director of the Burbank Chorale in 2000. Under his leadership, the Chorale has enjoyed increased performance opportunities at both local and world-class venues. Misha expanded the repertoire of the Chorale to include some of the most treasured choral masterworks, with *Coronation Mass*, Saint-Saens' *Christmas Oratorio*, Fauré Requiem, Orff's *Carmina Burana*, Bernstein's

Chichester Psalms, and Rutter's Gloria, among others.

With Misha, the Chorale has been building new audiences, partnering and collaborating with local performing arts organizations, and actively involving children and youth in its innovative programming. Born in Moscow to a family of choral conductors, Misha took violin and piano training at the Liadov Children's Music School and sang with the Big Children's Choir on Russian State Radio and Television. He later studied choral conducting at the Moscow State Music College named after Tchaikovsky. He earned Bachelor and Master of Music degrees from California State University at Northridge, and completed his Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the University of Southern California. In addition to his work with the Burbank Chorale, Misha serves as the Director of Vocal Ensembles at the Colburn School of Performing Arts and is the Artistic Director of the MUSYCA Children's Choir. He is a member of Pi Kappa Lambda Music Honors Society, the Music Education National Conference, and the American Choral Directors Association.

## **About the Pianist**

Born in Kharkov, Ukraine, **Anna Krendel** began her solo piano career at the age of fourteen, performing with the Kharkov Youth Symphony Orchestra. Her versatile performance career spans solo recitals, chamber music concerts and movie soundtracks. As a collaborative artist, she has performed in recitals in



the United States, South America, and Europe. She received her Doctor of Musical Arts degree in piano performance from the University of Southern California. She has won several piano competitions and is the recipient of numerous university and community awards. Anna is the founder of MUSYCA Children's Choir, which she established in 2010, She also serves as the President-Elect of the California Association of Professional Music Teachers (CAPMT).



Cvnthia Cruz

Brandy Grote

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## We're Hunting for Treasure!

Are you a past member of The Burbank Chorale or The Burbank Choral Club, or know someone who was once associated with us? We have recently contracted with Cal State Northridge to archive all of our historical materials. This is an amazing opportunity for preserving our rich musical and community history - 100 years and counting!

This collection will be cataloged and archived in the Oviatt Library at CSUN and will eventually be made available to students and scholars all over the world. When someone is doing research on music, choirs or the City of Burbank, all of our memorabilia will be there for them as a resource! How exciting is that?

In light of this opportunity, we're now on a Treasure Hunt! Do you have any Burbank Choral Club or Burbank Chorale memorabilia at home that we could add to the collection? We can make copies if you don't want to part with the originals. We especially would like materials from the earliest days (1920-30s) if they still exist. Meeting minutes, production plans, name change documentation, music, programs, tickets, flyers, photos, etc. are all valuable treasures from our past. If you would like to contribute something to our archive, please get in touch with our president Kyrian Corona kyrian.corona@gmail.com

#### The Burbank Chorale

#### **SOPRANO I**

Kyrian Corona \*
Grace Doyle \*\*
Jamila Friedrich
Grace Grimes \*
Natalie Nourian \*
Claudia Maria Schmidt
Barbara Schwarz

#### **SOPRANO II**

Cynthia Cruz Fran Henderson Linda Newcombe Nicole Peterson

#### ALTO I

Dahlia Acevedo
Jessica Anguino
Samira Bordji
Michelle Cullen
Suzanne Gilman
Elizabeth Keener
Gina Leslie
Teresa Marasek
Emilie Mesmer
Cynthia Payo
Lindsey Rodriguez \*
Lisa Vig \*

#### **TENOR**

Warren Grimes \*
Shelby Grimm
Brandy Grote \*

#### **BARITONE/BASS**

Fred Camerer \*
Scott Noble
Paul Rabwin
Thomas Safer \*
Peter Schubin

### **ALTO II**

Patricia Jauchler Deborah Panno Melanie Rockwell

The Burbank Chorale is pleased to have MUSYCA Children's Choir joining us on our 100th Anniversary virtual concert!

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# Sing On! A virtual concert

#### Burbank Chorale

### Still, Still, Still

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We know that some people are struggling financilly at this time so we are providing this virtual concert free of charge. However, if you are able, we would appreciate any donation you might be able to give at this time.



## **Concert Production Team & Board Members**

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A huge thank you to our Artistic Director, Misha Shtangrud, for all his work putting together our concert videos!

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The Burbank Chorale is a nonprofit organization funded mainly by donations. If you would like to be a community or corporate sponsor of the Burbank Chorale, we'd like to talk to you! Please contact Kyrian Corona at 818.753.9444 or kyrian.corona@kyriandia.com. You can also donate on our website www.burbankchorale.org.

Thank you for your generous support!

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### **MUSYCA Children's Choir**

Founded in 2010, Musical Youth of California (MUSYCA) Children's Choir brings together musically gifted young people in the San Fernando Valley and beyond to create a community of singers built on respect, love for music, and artistic excellence. The mission of MUSYCA Children's Choir is to provide the highest quality of music education to Children and Youth of all religious, ethnic, cultural, and economic backgrounds through study and performance of outstanding choral repertoire. MUSYCA is dedicated to diversity, access, and service to community.

The lives of MUSYCA's choristers are enriched through rehearsals, concerts and special performance opportunities throughout each season. MUSYCA reaches millions of people locally and around the world through its television and film appearances, sound recordings and collaborations with composers and popular musical artists. The choir sang at Carnegie Hall, Notre Dame de Paris, Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, Valley Performing Arts Center (The Soraya), Greek Theatre and Microsoft Theater.

The program is supported, in part, by the Department of Cultural Affairs and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors through the Los Angeles County Arts Commission.

To schedule an audition for your child, email <a href="mailto:sing@musyca.org">sing@musyca.org</a> or call 818-554-9937. For more information visit <a href="www.musyca.org">www.musyca.org</a>.



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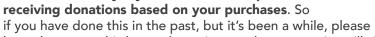
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## Looking Forward...

We look forward to singing for you again at our Spring 2021 concert. We expect this will also be a virtual concert. Sign up for our newsletter to be notiified of our upcoming events and start of virtual rehearsals at BurbankChoraleNews@gmail.com

or better yet...

Come Sing With Us!

## Spring virtual rehearsals start January 12, 2021 through Zoom.

Since our rehearsals and concert will again be virtual we can accept anyone, **anywhere in the world** who can attend virtual rehearsales via Zoom on Tuesday nights from 7pm to 9pm PDT.

For details or for information on submitting an audition video please call 818-759-9177 or visit our website at www.burbankchorale.org and select the "audition information" button under the AUDITION section of our home page.

