

# The Mississippi College Singers

2017-18 Christmastide Tour  
December 27 - January 6



## Planned Repertoire

Of the Father's Love Begotten.....	arr. Paul Wolgemuth
O Emmanuel .....	Ēriks Ešenvalds
Noel Nouvelet .....	arr. Philip Lawson
Es ist ein Ros entsprungen.....	Jan Sandström
On Christmas Night All Christians Sing .....	David Wilcocks
Angelus ad virginem .....	Carol Barnett
O magnum mysterium.....	Tomás Luis de Victoria
In the bleak mid-winter.....	Holst, arr. Alice Parker
Star in the East.....	arr. Brad Holmes
My Lord has Come .....	Will Todd
Still, Still, Still.....	arr. Norman Luboff

## About the Mississippi College Singers

The MC Singers is the premiere choral ensemble representing the Mississippi College Department of Music. Presenting a diverse and demanding repertoire from the past five centuries, the Singers have performed throughout the United States and abroad. The highlight of their winter performance schedule is the *Festival of Lights*, a service of Christmas lessons and carols presented on three consecutive evenings in the historic Provine Chapel on MC's campus. Last December Mississippi Public Broadcasting telecast this performance seven times state-wide between December 18 and Christmas Day. That recording has since won a Regional Emmy Award for "Best Live Recording."

Past honors include feature concerts at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Convention of the American Choral Directors Association and Music Educators National Conference in 2002, 2007, and 2010, Mississippi Day at the Washington National Cathedral in April 2003, the 2004 ACDA Southern Division Convention in Nashville, the 2005 ACDA National Convention in Los Angeles, the 2008 ACDA Southern Division Convention in Louisville, and the 2014 Southern Division Convention in Jacksonville, Florida. In May 2016 the Singers concertized in Austria and Germany, with performances in Linz, Passau, Cologne and Leipzig.

### Dr. Mark Nabholz

Mark Nabholz joined the faculty of Mississippi College in the fall of 2015 as Associate Professor of Music and Director of Choral Activities. In addition to conducting the MC Singers and the Choctaw Chorus, Dr. Nabholz teaches conducting and choral literature at the undergraduate and graduate levels, coordinates the M.M. in Choral Conducting degree program, and teaches studio voice. Dr. Nabholz also serves as Artistic Director for The Mississippi Chorus, a 90-voice civic organization that maintains a busy performance schedule of major choral works with orchestra. Prior to his arrival at Mississippi College he was on the faculty at Erskine College (SC), and Brevard College (NC).

Dr. Nabholz holds degrees from the University of South Carolina, the Eastman School of Music, and Houghton College, and regularly represents the University as a clinician and adjudicator. A member of the Mississippi state board of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA), he also is an active member of the National Association for Music Education (NAfME), the Society for Eighteenth Century Music (SECM), and the National Collegiate Choral Organization (NCCO) which he serves as a member of the Editorial Board for *The Choral Scholar*.

### Listen to The Mississippi College Singers

The 2016 *Festival of Lights* may be viewed online at <https://youtu.be/tB4oGV4iGzg>