



WORD OF MOUTH KEEPS MMR HEALTHY

When celebrating the 10th season of Midsummer Musical Retreat, Jo-Ann Christen, Music Director and Founder, said "As long as the source of energy is renewed in the enthusiasm and joy of our campers, we will continue." As always, Jo-Ann spoke the truth. The MMR community is a living thing, needing to be fed with the enthusiastic participation and support of singers and instrumentalists.

Which brings me to the point of this, please support MMR by recruiting new campers from among your friends and colleagues. The personal invitation is far more valuable than any mass mailing, internet presence or other advertising we can do. Like NPR, we need your support to continue to thrive.

Contact us at midsummer@musicalretreat.org if you would like postcard flyers.

2017 REPERTOIRE

The conductors of the large ensembles have announced the repertoire for this year's retreat. Please remember that last minute changes can happen. Most of the selections can be heard on Youtube.

Participants will be told their large ensemble assignments at check-in. We try to assign everyone to the ensemble they requested, but the final assignment will consider overall balance and the musical needs of each group. A lottery will be used as needed.

Festival Chorus:

Henrich Schütz - *Cantate Domino*

G.F. Handel - *Coronation Anthem No. 1*, from *Zadok the Priest*

Benjamin Britten - *The Morning Stars* from *The Company of Heaven*

Paul Hindemith - *Altes Irisches Lied (Old Irish Air)*

Percy Grainger - *I'm Seventeen Come Sunday*

Symphonic Band:

Jay Bocook - *Kirkpatrick's Muse*

George Kershwin, arr. By John Krance - *Second Prelude*

James Curnow - *Where Never Lark nor Eagle Flew*

String Orchestra:

Bela Bartok - *Romanian Dances*

Edvard Grieg - *Elegaic Melodies*

Festival Orchestra:

Eric Coates - *Everyday Suite*,
i. *Covent Garden*, ii. *Westminster*

Grainger - *Molly on the Shore, Shepherd's Hey*

Saint-Saens - *Suite Algerienne*, op. 60, 4th Movement

NEW FACULTY

We are thrilled to welcome Patrick Roulet, percussion, to our faculty for 2017. He will coach sectionals and ensembles and lead the Drumming Elective.

Patrick is the Percussion Area Coordinator at Western Washington University where he teaches percussion and world music and directs the WWU Percussion Ensemble.

Patrick enjoys interdisciplinary collaboration and seeks out opportunities to work with composers, dance choreographers, and artists. Past projects have included the landmark recording of the early percussion music of American composer Michael Colgrass, the musical score to *The Traveling Feet* with the Deep Vision Dance Company, and several performances utilizing kinetic light drums created by artists Jenn Figg and Matthew McCormack.

As a freelance percussionist he has performed with the the Seattle Symphony and Seattle Opera Orchestras, the Northwest Sinfonietta, the Pacific Northwest Ballet Orchestra, the Seattle Chamber Orchestra, and the Pacific Rims Percussion Quartet. His performances as the principal timpanist of the American Sinfonietta and the Bellingham Festival Orchestra have frequently been heard on National Public Radio's Performance Today, and his performance of Joseph Schwantner's concerto for percussion with the Whatcom Symphony was praised by critics as "utterly in control and inspiring."



BRING A SINGER

Many of you are members of faith groups with choirs. Even if you are not a member of the choir, please consider going to a practice and encouraging the singers to join the fun at MMR.



CAMPER ORGANIZED EVENTS

We have scheduled time on Tuesday morning for camper organized events. We encourage you all to embrace this time as your own and participate in or plan "camper led" events. If you would like to organize an event, contact us at: midsummer@musicalretreat.org for help and a room assignment. Use our Facebook page to announce your plans and generate interest.

HORIZON AIR DISCOUNT

Horizon Air has offered a discount for travel to and from MMR 2017. Book online at *AlaskaAir.com*, and input the Discount Code ECMX450 in the Discount Code box on the Flights Quick Search box. You may also book by phone by calling the Group Desk. There is no ticketing fee when booking on *AlaskaAir.com*

HOUSING

On-Campus housing will be in Prentiss, Douglas and College House. Preliminary assignments to Prentiss were made by lottery and have been posted to individual registration pages on-line. All housing is subject to change.

Off-campus housing can cost about the same as staying in a Whitman dorm. The Red Lion Inn & Suites and the Travelodge are only a short distance from campus and offer discount prices to MMR participants. Please book by phone. Detailed information is available on the Resources Menu at *www.musicalretreat.org*.

ENROLLMENT

You can still register online or download a registration form to print, complete and mail.

www.musicalretreat.org

FACEBOOK

Please join our Facebook group, Midsummer Musical Retreat. You can share your upcoming performances, get updates on retreat plans, organize ad hoc chamber groups and otherwise connect with MMR friends!

ONLINE SELF-EVALUATION FORMS & ALL FEES DUE JUNE 1, 2017

If you have questions call your coordinator:

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