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# Happenin' '23



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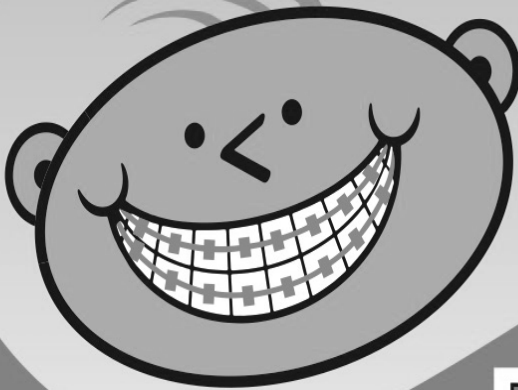


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# Happenin' '23: Act One

## Welcome!

**There is one 15-minute intermission in tonight's program.  
Restrooms are located in the halls on the sides of the theater:  
women's house left; men's house right.**

- Rhythm of the Night .....Diane Warren, arr. Kirby Shaw  
Combined Choirs
- Landslide..... Stevie Nicks  
Noura Khemakhem, vocals & guitar
- God's Country ..... Michael Hardy, Jordan Schmidt, & Devin Dawson  
Robbie Azar, Will Collier, Eldon De Avila, Carson Helbling, Ryan Hurley,  
Conrad Killen, Nate Morrison, Charlie Sprague, vocals; Tom Kouchoukos, guitar
- I See the Light..... Menken & Slater, arr. Mac Huff  
Hornet Chorale
- Knee Deep..... Brown, Durette, Bowles, & Steele, arr. Mac Huff  
Cougar Chorus
- Feelin' Good .....Leslie Bricusse & Anthony Newley  
Natalie Tran, vocals & ukelele
- Lay All Your Love on Me .....Benny Andersson & Bjorn Ulvaeus  
Hornet Chorale & Bel Canto
- Ophelia .....Jeremy Fraites & Wesley Schultz  
Maxime Hardy, vocals
- Breaking Free ..... Jamie Houston  
Danny Aubitz & Liv Lowell, vocals
- Dear Future Husband .....Meghan Trainor  
SSA Ensemble; Madeline Jensen, solo
- Happy .....Pharrell Williams, arr. Mark Brymer  
Cougar Chorus & Cantemus

**-15 MINUTE INTERMISSION-**

# Happenin' '23: Act Two

- Footloose ..... Pitchford & Loggins, arr. Kirby Shaw  
Bel Canto & Cantemus
- Can't Take My Eyes Off You ..... Bob Crewe & Bob Gaudio  
Reid McAllister, vocals
- River ..... Ian Scott, Mark Jackson, & Sarah Grace McLaughlin  
Meredith Batey, Madeline Jensen, Jillian Jobe, & Stella Weber, vocals  
Simon Tessmer-Tuck, piano; Megan Zavadil, percussion
- The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald ..... G. Lightfoot, arr. Alan Dunbar  
TTB Ensemble; Will Jakala, George Dorn, & Noah Hecker, soloists  
Tom Kouchoukos, guitar
- Hoedown Throwdown..... Nikki Hassman & Adam Anders  
Hornet Chorale & Bel Canto
- California Dreamin' ..... John Phillips & Michelle Phillips  
Cantemus
- Treacherous ..... Taylor Swift & Dan Wilson  
Maja Lelas, Kate Meixelsperger, & Emma Meyerhofer, vocals  
Claire Stastny, guitar
- Love in the Dark ..... Adele Adkins & Sam Dixon  
Bel Canto; Svea Rundman, Anna Schenk, Indra Khariwala, & Lexi Han, violin  
Inga Kunze-Williams, Joseph Vaccaro, & Annika Onstad, cello
- Thunderstruck ..... Angus Young & Malcolm Young, arr. Anita Cracauer  
Cougar Chorus & Cantemus
- Wide Open Spaces..... Susan Gibson  
Maddie Burns, vocals; Landon Nebel, guitar
- Fabulous from "Phineas & Ferb" .. Olson, Marsh, Povenmire, Headrick & Gaylor  
Harry Bercaw, George Dorn, Elijah Engstrom, Noah Hecker, Will Jakala, vocals
- Good Lovin' ..... Clark & Resnick, arr. Alan Billingsley  
Combined Choirs

**Edina Choirs wish you a safe, happy, and relaxing summer!**

# Horuet Chorale

Alejandra Adair  
Naodya Alamirew  
Ava Altman  
Luana Amado  
Marit Augustson  
Presley Bartling  
Ella Benson  
Emelia Bireley  
Katherine Bishop  
Daniella Bisson  
Madison Bryan  
Sylvie Burt  
Claire Bushaw  
Elise Carlson  
Bry'Ana Cathey  
Adeline Clements  
Anna Conner  
Paola Contreras Diaz  
Christa Dogbe  
Lila Donnay  
Eleanor Doscotch  
Camille Dubuc  
Sadie Eicher  
Elvira Esmoris Andres  
Ava Foley  
Allie Gray  
Parker Gustafson  
Livia Gustin  
Amelia Haberman  
Stella Hankinson

Sabrina Hanold  
Zoya Hasan  
Emma Keller  
Addisen Knier  
Rozlyn Lippert  
Ava Loop  
Olivia Lowell  
Kate Maloney  
Maria Matysik  
Alexis McGrorty  
Elyse Miller  
Gabrielle Monnot  
Ava Nerheim  
Francesca Orr  
Ivy Peterson  
Haley Rogers  
Mia Rose  
Ava Seymour  
Brigid Shane  
Kensington Shi-Schumacher  
McKenna Simmons  
Grace Sorem  
\*Alixandra Standish  
Camilla Thorsen  
Kaiya Tuescher  
Taylor Wemer  
Isabel Wieden  
Madelyn Witherspoon  
Katelyn Yoch  
Leila Zena

^ = MN State Honor Choir member

\* = Senior



# Cougar Chorus

James Abdo  
Khalid Ali  
Cullen Bjerke  
Gavin Brazil  
Stephen Bunce  
Quinn Burnside  
Joseph Cepek  
Philip Colwell  
Marcus Conry  
Quinlan Cronin  
^Finn Daleiden  
Finlay DeMuth  
Colin Flinn  
Gage Geisler  
Nicholas Giles  
Charles Heinle  
Robert Hoch  
Gus Hoffman  
Benjamin Hunt  
Khalil Kaba  
Christian Kuehl  
Harrison Kuretsky  
Reid LaFrenz  
Samuel LaFrenz  
Carter Magandy

Marcus Mason  
\*Charles Mastel  
Reid McAllister  
Vincent Mero  
Matthew Miller  
Emmett Nahlovsky  
Kevin Nybeck  
Barrett Olson  
Ian Page  
\*Caleb Petterson  
Joseph Portz  
Agustsson Ramstack  
Tate Rasmussen  
Francisco Romero-Lausin  
Will Schmidt  
Sawyer Schmitz  
Kai Shane  
Jonathan Sprague  
Wesley Tallman  
Nicholas Tande  
Henry Taylor  
Charles Twistol  
Tarun Varma  
Charles Velner  
Spencer Yeaman

**Hornet Chorale** and **Cougar Chorus** honor the nine-year co-existence (1972-1981) of Edina-East High School ("Hornets") & Edina-West High School ("Cougars"). When robed, Hornet Chorale wears the green and white colors that have always been associated with Edina High School, including in the years at Edina-East. Cougar Chorus wears green and gold as a nod to the Edina-West colors. In these ways, we are proud to honor an important part of our community's history, recognizing that traditions and contributions from both schools continue to influence our choral program to this day.

# Bel Canto

Sabrina Al-Najim  
Evelyn Albright  
\*Sophia Azmi  
Josie Bailey  
Meredith Batey  
Amelie Bruning-Way  
Reese Burnham  
\*Madeline Burns  
Zoey Carda  
\*Rachael Christensen  
\*Zoey Corsaro  
Margaret Donovan  
Caroline Drew  
Annabelle Duff  
Grace Duwenhoegger  
Emma Flaherty  
^Madeline Jensen  
Jillian Jobe  
Hawa Kane  
Noura Khemakhem

\*Lily Kim  
\*Sabrina Koll  
Emily LaValle  
Maja Lelas  
Libby McFarland  
^Kathryn Meixelsperger  
Emma Meyerhofer  
Josie Moe  
Sienna Nooleen  
Abigail Peterson  
Siri Pontaut  
Claire Stastny  
Sophia Stattine  
Ruby Tarbox  
\*Natalie Tran  
\*Amarie Vasquez  
Madigan Webb  
Stella Weber  
Hadley Williams

# SSA Ensemble

Aggie Bartleson (9)  
Meredith Batey (10)  
Elle Caswell (10)  
Rose Downey (9)  
Grace Duwenhoegger (10)  
Sadie Eicher (10)  
Parker Gustafson (10)  
Sophia Hoffmann (9)  
Addie Knier (10)  
Madeline Jensen (10)  
Nina Kruse (9)

Maja Lelas (10)  
Chloe McLeod (9)  
Emma Meyerhofer (10)  
Elsa Monsen (9)  
Iris Nordin (9)  
Siri Pontaut (9)  
Ava Seymour (10)  
Cadence Snyder (9)  
Samantha Tietz (9)  
Noelia Usandivaras (9)  
Katelyn Yoch (10)

# Cantemus

Daniel Aubitz  
Robert Azar  
Harrison Bercaw  
Kellen Chapuran  
William Collier  
Elliot Cooper  
Ethan Cooper  
^Lorenzo D'Angelo  
Eldon De Avila Ronnei  
Jacob DeAngelo  
Carson Dederichs  
Jackson Doe  
George Dorn  
Troy Doroff  
Elijah Engstrom  
Benjamin Graybill  
Andrew Gump  
Sid Gustafson  
Peter Hanson  
Maxime Hardy

^Noah Hecker  
Carson Helbling  
Ryan Hurley  
^William Jakala  
Luke Joing  
Ty Keeley  
Conrad Killen  
^Thomas Kouchoukos  
Jackson LaMettry  
Thomas Molldrem  
Nathan Morrison  
Pedro Pacheco  
\*Spencer Perez  
Benjamin Solsvig  
Charles Sprague  
Ty Stanton  
Sean Sullivan  
Ryan Toren  
Benjamin Wehr

# TTB Ensemble

Lucas Barnett (9)  
Elliot Cooper (11)  
George Dorn (10)  
Elijah Engstrom (10)  
Cacius Hagen (9)  
Noah Hecker (10)  
William Jakala (10)

Christian Kuehl (10)  
Thomas Kouchoukos (10)  
Thomas Molldrem (10)  
Ian Page (10)  
Caleb Petterson (12)  
Ty Stanton (11)

^ = MN State Honor Choir member  
\* = Senior

# Seniors, Class of 2023

**Sophia Azmi** participated in Edina Thespians, including the shows *Mamma Mia!* and *A Chorus Line*. She was a member of both Bel Canto and Concert Choir. Her favorite memories include the NYC choir tour, learning choreography for spring concerts, and making friends. Next year, she plans to take a gap year to focus on music before attending a four-year institute for a BFA in the performing arts.

**Madeline Burns** was involved in theater, choir, Ultimate, and Paper Club at EHS. She enjoyed meeting some of her best friends in choir! She's excited for a fun-filled final summer with friends before leaving for the University of Montana in the fall.

**Rachael Christensen** loved the friendships and community that have come with being in choir. She is looking forward to life after graduation, and will attend the University of North Dakota.

**Zoey Corsaro** participated in many activities including Mock Trial, Speech, and DECA, where she advanced to state in both 11th and 12th grade for apparell & accessories marketing. She loved going on the NYC and Chicago tours, meeting people from other choirs. After traveling to Austrailia this summer, she is excited to attend UW-Madison for Consumer & Marketplace Studies.

**Lily Kim** was a member of Key Club and participated in TAGS gymnastics. She enjoyed performing in the spring concerts and singing for the Ann Bancroft Foundation gala. Next year, she will attend the U of M - Twin Cities, where she plans to major in psychology.

**Sabrina Koll** was a member of Zoology Club and participated in bowling. In choir, she enjoyed strengthening her singing skills while getting to know more about her peers. She plans to attend William Woods University to major in ASL, and she hopes to make her own music in her free time.

**Charlie Mastel** participated in Theater for All and Unified Physical Education. He enjoyed singing with his friends and being part of the Hap-penin' concert over the past three years. Next year, he plans on attending Tassels Transition Program in Eden Prairie.

**Spencer Perez** participated in TTB Ensemble and mountain biking. A favorite choir memory was Happenin' his junior year. He plans to attend the University of Miami where he will study Forestry.

**Caleb Petterson** participated in art club and track & field, in addition to choir. He especially enjoyed rehearsing and performing in TTB Ensemble, and is proud of the improvement in his singing this year. After graduation, he plans on attending college and graduate studies while pursuing work in a STEM-related field.

**Lexi Standish** participated in cheer, dance, and theater. While in choir, she enjoyed making many new friends. After graduation, she plans on attending Bethel University and pursuing her interest in the field of special education.

**Natalie Tran** participated in three high school theater performances, played soccer, and is currently president of the Interact Club. She has really enjoyed being part of the alto section, meeting the most uplifting, encouraging, funny, and kind people ever. She plans to attend UW-Madison where she will study nursing.

**Amarie Vasquez** loved going to Chicago on choir tour with her friends, as well as performing at the Ann Bancroft Foundation gala and singing *Hoedown Throwdown* off-stage in choir robes. She is looking forward to attending Hennepin Tech in Eden Prairie, seeing family in Wisconsin, and hopefully pursuing Zoology and Marine Biology in a place such as San Diego or Hawaii.

## The Happenin' Band



**Oscar Sanchez Christensen** (11)

*Trumpet*

**Colin Grossman** (11)

*Trumpet*

**Rithwik Kancherla** (9)

*Trombone*

**Prithviraj Varma** (11)

*Alto Sax*

**Julien Collette** (11)

*Tenor sax*

**Matthew Smith** (11)

*Bass Guitar*

**Bennett Smalley** (11)

*Drums*

**Tom Kouchoukos** (10)

*Guitar*

**Aiden Hengel** (Class of 2019)

*Guitar*

# The Staff

## **CHRISTOPHER PIELA, *Director***

### **Hornet Chorale, 9TTB Choir, Concert Choir, Treble Chorus, Chamber Singers**

Christopher is in his 18th year at Edina High School and his 28th year in the District. He is also honored to be directing his 5th Current Jam! He earned his B.A. in Music Education from Gustavus Adolphus College and his M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction from Minnesota State University, Mankato. He has served in various leadership positions for the American Choral Directors Association of Minnesota and was an original member of World Voices/Singers in Accord. In addition to directing, he is an active composer and arranger. He resides in Edina with his wife Melissa and their two children Lauren, 20, & Andrew, 17.

## **SCOTT LEHRKE, *Director***

### **Cougar Chorus, Cantemus, 9TTB Choir, Men's Chorus, TTB Ensemble**

Scott is in his nineteenth year directing vocal music in Edina Public Schools, where he teaches choirs at EHS, and serves as a vocal director for EHS musical theater productions. He graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Music in Music Education from St. Olaf College and earned a Master of Arts in Music Education from the University of St. Thomas. Scott's teaching expertise and research is in the changing male voice, with particular interest in development of tenor-bass choirs. When not at EHS, he's probably at home in St. Louis Park doing yard work, drinking coffee, and enjoying the kitten antics of Hazy and Charleston.

## **SERINA JOLIVETTE, *Director***

### **Bel Canto, 9SSA Choir, Treble Chorus, SSA Ensemble**

Serina is in her fifth year with Edina Choirs, her fourteenth year teaching high school choirs. Previous posts include Edgewood High School (Madison, WI), Sioux City East High School (Sioux City, IA), and Madison West High School (Madison, WI). In addition to traditional classroom choirs, Serina has worked with festival choirs, a cappella groups, show choirs, and musicals. Originally from Onalaska, WI, she received her Bachelors of Music Education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she majored in both Choral/General Music Education and Spanish Language. She earned her Masters of Music Education with an emphasis in choral conducting at the University of St. Thomas. When not directing choirs, Serina enjoys spending time with friends and family, and her mini-goldendoodle, Jovie.

## **DIANA PAVLYUK, *Choir Associate & Piano Accompanist***

This is Diana's second year working with the choirs at Edina High School. She earned her B.A. Piano Performance degree from the University of Minnesota. Playing piano from an early age, she found a passion for music at her church where she ended up accompanying choirs for 15 years. Along with that, she loved singing, participating in ensembles, collaborating with other musicians, arranging music, and of course, performing. When not working with the lovely directors and students of EHS, she teaches at her home piano studio. She loves all kinds of exploring and being outdoors with her husband David and kiddos, William (6) and Giavanna (2).

### **MELODY SNYDER, *Happenin' band director***

Melody is happy to be leading the B.U.B. again this year! Melody's main gig is teaching band at Valley View Middle School in Edina. She is also an assistant director for the EHS Hornet Marching Band and an instructor for the Edina Summer Band program. Melody received degrees in music education from Winona State University and the University of St. Thomas. For ten years, she served in the 34th Infantry Division Army National Guard Band, where she performed as a vocal soloist for the Vice President of the United States and the Governor of Minnesota, as well as the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, and the Minnesota Twins, Vikings, Gophers, Timberwolves, Swarm, and Wild teams. Melody lives in Edina with her daughter Cadence, 15, and the best dog ever, Sydney.

### **ALEX SCHULTZ, *Choreographer***

#### ***Lay All Your Love on Me & Hoedown Throwdown***

Alex is a 20-year-old dancer and choreographer from Waconia, MN. He attended University of Minnesota for Dance in 2020. In 2021, he got the opportunity to tour the Midwest alongside Kevin Chase and assist in choreography for dozens of show choirs. He will continue another season this year. When he's not choreographing for show choir, he is training in all styles of dance with leading professionals from all around the country. He is grateful to have worked with Edina High School and can't wait to see them shine on stage!

### **ELLY STAHLKE, *Choreographer***

#### ***Rhythm of the Night, Happy, Footloose, & Thunderstruck***

Elly grew up dancing both competitively and non-competitively at various Twin Cities dance studios. She graduated from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, studying Theatre Arts and Dance, finishing with a Bachelor of Arts in Theatre Performance. Elly is currently a teaching artist in various capacities throughout the Twin Cities. She teaches and choreographs for several studios in the area, as well as teaching theatre and dance for several companies like Chanhassen Dinner Theatres and Hennepin Theatre Trust. In addition to theatre and dance, Elly also enjoys making and teaching music and visual art. Elly is excited to share her passion with the students at EHS!

### **DR. BEN FRANKE, *Production Manager & Systems Engineer***

Ben is excited to be back and continuing his own spring Happenin' & Current Jam tradition which started at CJ 2000! He is the primary audio engineer and systems designer for the audio, video, and computers used in the show. Ben is a professor of computer networking & cybersecurity, a technology and production consultant, and the lead instructor teaching rock n' roll roadies production networking at Rock Lititz. Along with other volunteer work, Ben is active in the Minnesota Streetcar Museum at the Como-Harriet Streetcar Line! He and his wife Patricia welcomed Hannah, their first child, to the CJ family last September and he especially wishes to thank Patricia for all her support and patience with his myriad of interests and putting up with a house full of equipment!

### **GRANVILLE P. ASHLING, *Production Manager & Lighting***

Granville is happy to be returning to Edina High School for another spring concert season, including his 30th Current Jam! He is the lighting designer and assistant production manager for the show. He started his career here at Edina as a student and now is a production designer for Crescent Moon Productions llc. He has also done lighting work with the NFL, Prince, Wynonna Judd, The Office of the Dalai Lama, while locally he has worked with Minneapolis Downtown Council, Cloud Cult, and Living Word.

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# 2023-2024 Choir Calendar

## **FALL CONCERTS:**

Monday, Oct. 16 at 7:00pm..... Bel Canto, Cantemus, & Concert Choir  
Tuesday, Oct. 17 at 6:00pm.....Hornet Chorale & Cougar Chorus  
8:00pm.....9th Grade Choirs

## **WINTER JUBILEE:**

Saturday, Dec. 15 at 4:00 & 7:00pm .... Concert Choir, Band, & Orchestra

## **WINTER CONCERTS:**

Monday, Feb. 12 at 7:00pm.....9th Grade Choirs  
Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 6:00pm.....Hornet Chorale & Cougar Chorus  
8:00pm..... Bel Canto, Cantemus, & Concert Choir

## **SPRING SING-FRESHMEN EDITION:**

Thursday, May 2 at 7:00pm .....9th Grade Choirs

## **HAPPENIN' '24:**

Thu., May 9 & Fri., May 10 at 7:00pm ....Hornet Chorale, Cougar Chorus,  
Bel Canto & Cantemus

## **CURRENT JAM 2024:**

Wed., May 15-Sat., May 18 at 7:00pm..... Concert Choir  
Saturday, May 18 at 1:00pm

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- If every C.J. alum from the past fifty years made a one-time contribution of \$50 to honor their treasured memories in Current Jam, that amount of giving alone would establish an endowment of about **\$200,000!**
- Imagine if parents, grandparents, and perennial fans of Current Jam also donated \$50! Current Jam has impacted so many of us!

The funds raised through your generosity in the **\$50 FOR FIFTY** campaign will be used for two purposes:

1. Establishing an annual local scholarship to be awarded to a senior in the EHS Choral Program who plans to pursue singing and music study at the post-secondary level.
2. Funding unique and specific choral music learning experiences for future EHS choir students and ensembles, such as the commission of new music, artist residencies, workshops, and masterclasses with guest clinicians.

### **TWO WAYS TO DONATE \$50 FOR FIFTY TODAY!**

1. Make a check payable to **Edina Choir Boosters** and write **\$50 FOR FIFTY** in the memo line. Mail to:

Edina High School Choirs  
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2. Scan one of these QR codes and make an instant online donation. Please include **\$50 FOR FIFTY** in the memo.



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The Chorale rehearses weekly for two hours on Tuesday evenings from September to early June in Edina. Auditions will take place in early August 2023.



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