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WESLEYAN MUSIC PRESENTS HOLIDAY FAVORITES

A night of holiday favorites for the community will be presented by the Texas Wesleyan University Department of Music during a Combined Holiday Concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, in Martin Hall, 1309 Wesleyan St. The evening features student ensembles Wesleyan Singers, Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band and includes sacred and traditional sing-alongs. The performance is free and open to the public. No reservations are required.

Established in 1947 by professor Walter Lynn, Wesleyan Singers is Texas Wesleyan University's principal performing choral ensemble, open by audition to experienced student singers with a desire to perform serious choral literature. Under the direction of visiting assistant professor Mark Stamper, the Singers will perform Riese's arrangement of "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," Stroepe's "The Cloths of Heaven" and Wilberg's take on "Fum, Fum, Fum."

Wind Ensemble, under the direction of visiting assistant professor Bryan English, is Texas Wesleyan University's instrumental group dedicated to the study and performance of serious contemporary wind literature and open by audition to experienced student players. The ensemble will perform "Carol of the Bells" and will accompany the Wesleyan Singers in sacred and traditional sing-alongs.

Wesleyan's Jazz Band, also under the direction of English, is the University's principal performing jazz ensemble. In addition to receiving local acclaim, the group has been recognized at the Wichita Jazz Festival. Jazz Band adds English's arrangement of Harry Connick Jr.'s "Christmas Waltz." The program also features senior Sharon Milas singing "O Holy Night" in Romanian and a trombone trio playing senior Josh Eads' arrangement of "Baby, It's Cold Outside."

To learn more about the Combined Holiday Concert, contact the Department of Music at (817) 531-4992 or visit us on the Web at <http://department.txwes.edu/mus/>.