

ARMSTRONG INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL FOUNDATION presents

G.F. HANDEL'S
ISRAEL
IN
EGYPT

an oratorio in two parts

featuring the
ARMSTRONG
CHAMBER
CHOIR

Ryan Malone, conductor

Wednesday, March 16, 2022
Armstrong Auditorium

PROGRAM

Overture: Lamentation on the Death of Joseph (Instrumental)

PART ONE: THE EXODUS

And the Children of Israel Sighed (Recitative and Chorus)

Mark Jenkins, tenor solo
Jessica Brandon, alto solo

Plague of Waters to Blood (Recitative and Chorus)

Mark Jenkins, tenor solo

Plagues of Frogs and Pestilence (Air)

Calela Brooks, alto solo

Plague of Flies and Locusts (Chorus)

Plague of Fiery Hailstones (Chorus)

Plague of Darkness (Chorus)

Chrissie Dattolo & Rachel Brown, soprano solos
Vienna Flurry & Paris Roberts, alto solos
Joshua Sloan, Daniel Arnfield, Jordan Saranga
& David Brandon, tenor solos
Rufaro Manyepa & James Brandon, bass solos

Plague on Firstborn (Chorus)

But As for His People (Chorus)

Egypt Was Glad When They Departed (Chorus)

He Rebuked the Red Sea (Chorus)

And Israel Saw the Great Work (Chorus)

INTERMISSION

PART TWO: MOSES' SONG

Introitus: Moses and the Children of Israel (Chorus)

The Lord Is My Strength (Duet)

Paula Malone, soprano I
Jessica Brandon, soprano II

He Is My God (Chorus)

The Lord Is a Man of War (Duet)

David Brandon, bass I
Gianni Welsh, bass II

The Depths Have Covered Them (Chorus)

Thy Right Hand, O Lord (Chorus)

Quartet: Paula Malone, Calela Brooks,
Mark Jenkins, Gianni Welsh

And With the Blast of Thy Nostrils (Chorus)

The Enemy Said (Air)

Mark Jenkins, tenor solo

Thou Didst Blow (Air)

Paula Malone, soprano solo

Who Is Like Unto Thee (Chorus)

Thou in Thy Mercy (Duet)

Brandi Irwin, alto
Mark Jenkins, tenor

The People Shall Hear (Chorus)

Thou Shalt Bring Them In (Air)

Calela Brooks, alto solo

The Lord Shall Reign (Chorus and Recitative)

Mark Jenkins, tenor solo

Sing Ye to the Lord (Soprano and Chorus)

Paula Malone, soprano solo

LIBRETTO

PART ONE: THE EXODUS

Lamentation on the Death of Joseph (Instrumental)

Recitative (Tenor)

Now there arose a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph; and he set over Israel taskmasters to afflict them with burdens, and they made them serve with rigour.

Exodus 1:8, 11, 13

Alto Solo and Chorus

And the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and their cry came unto God. They oppressed them with burdens, and made them serve with rigour; and their cry came up unto God.

Exodus 2:23; 1:13

Recitative (Tenor)

Then sent He Moses, His servant, and Aaron whom He had chosen; these shewed His signs among them, and wonders in the land of Ham. He turned their waters into blood.

Psalm 105:26-27, 29

Chorus

They loathed to drink of the river. He turned their waters into blood.

Exodus 7:18; Psalm 105:29

Air (Alto)

Their land brought forth frogs, yea, even in their king's chambers. He gave their cattle over to the pestilence; blotches and blains broke forth on man and beast.

Psalm 105:30; Exodus 9:9-10

Chorus

He spake the word, and there came all manner of flies and lice in all quarters. He spake; and the locusts came without number, and devoured the fruits of the ground.

Psalm 105:31, 34-35

Chorus

He gave them hailstones for rain; fire mingled with the hail ran along upon the ground.

Psalm 105:32; Exodus 9:23-24

Chorus

He sent a thick darkness over the land, even darkness which might be felt.

Exodus 10:21

Chorus

He smote all the firstborn of Egypt, the chief of all their strength.

Psalm 78:51

Chorus

But as for His people, He
led them forth like sheep:
He brought them out with
silver and gold; there was
not one feeble person among
their tribes.

Psalm 78:52; Psalm 105:37

Chorus

Egypt was glad when they
departed, for the fear of them
fell upon them.

Psalm 105:38

Chorus

He rebuked the Red Sea, and
it was dried up. He led them
through the deep as through
a wilderness. But the waters
overwhelmed their enemies,
there was not one of them left.

Psalm 106:9, 11

Chorus

And Israel saw that great work
that the Lord did upon the
Egyptians; and the people feared
the Lord, and believed the Lord
and His servant Moses.

Exodus 14:31

PART TWO: MOSES' SONG**Introitus (Chorus)**

Moses and the children of
Israel sang this song unto the
Lord, and spake, saying: I will
sing unto the Lord, for He hath
triumphed gloriously; the horse
and his rider hath He thrown
into the sea.

Exodus 15:1

Duet (Sopranos)

The Lord is my strength
and my song; He is become
my salvation.

Exodus 15:2

Chorus

He is my god, and I will prepare
Him an habitation; my father's
God, and I will exalt Him.

Exodus 15:2

Duet (Basses)

The Lord is a man of war: Lord
is His name. Pharaoh's chariots
and his host hath He cast into
the sea; his chosen captains also
are drowned in the Red Sea.

Exodus 15:3-4

Chorus

The depths have covered
them: they sank into the
bottom as a stone.

Exodus 15:5

Chorus

Thy right hand, O Lord, is
become glorious in power;
Thy right hand, O Lord, hath
dashed in pieces the enemy.
And in the greatness of
Thine excellency Thou hast
overthrown them that rose up
against Thee. Thou sentest
forth Thy wrath, which
consumed them as stubble.

Exodus 15:6-7

Chorus

And with the blast of Thy
nostrils the waters were
gathered together, the floods
stood upright as an heap,
and the depths were congealed
in the heart of the sea.

Exodus 15:8

Air (Tenor)

The enemy said, I will pursue,
I will overtake, I will divide
the spoil; my lust shall be
satisfied upon them; I will
draw my sword, my hand
shall destroy them.

Exodus 15:9

Air (Soprano)

Thou didst blow with the wind,
the sea covered them; they sank
as lead in the mighty waters.

Exodus 15:10

Chorus

Who is like unto Thee, O Lord,
among the gods? Who is like
Thee, glorious in holiness,
fearful in praises, doing
wonders? Thou stretchedst
out Thy right hand, the earth
swallowed them.

Exodus 15:11-12

Duet (Alto and Tenor)

Thou in Thy mercy hast led
forth Thy people which Thou
hast redeemed; Thou hast guid-
ed them in Thy strength unto
Thy holy habitation.

Exodus 15:13

Chorus

The people shall hear, and be
afraid: sorrow shall take hold
on them: all the inhabitants
of Canaan shall melt away: by
the greatness of Thy arm they
shall be as still as a stone; till
Thy people pass over, O Lord,
which Thou hast purchased.

Exodus 15:14-16

Air (Alto)

Thou shalt bring them in, and
plant them in the mountain of

Thine inheritance, in the place,
O Lord, which Thou hast made
for Thee to dwell in, in the
Sanctuary, O Lord, which Thy
hands have established.

Exodus 15:17

Chorus

The Lord shall reign for ever
and ever.

Exodus 15:18

Recitative (tenor)

For the horse of Pharaoh went
in with his chariots and with his
horsemen into the sea, and the
Lord brought again the waters
of the sea upon them; but the
children of Israel went on dry
land in the midst of the sea.

Exodus 15:19

Chorus

The Lord shall reign for ever
and ever.

Exodus 15:18

Recitative (Tenor)

And Miriam the prophetess,
the sister of Aaron, took a
timbrel in her hand; and all the
women went out after her with
timbrels and with dances. And
Miriam answered them:

Exodus 15:20-21

Soprano Solo and Chorus

Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath
triumphed gloriously; the horse
and his rider hath He thrown
into the sea.

Exodus 15:21

PERSONNEL

ARMSTRONG CHAMBER CHOIR

CHOIR I

Soprano Rachel Brown, Corinne Eagle, Rachel Hyde,
..... Paula Malone, Skye Malone
Alto Calela Brooks, Cami Eagle, Amy Flurry,
..... Sarah Icasiano, Paris Roberts
Tenor Dan Arnfield, Jordan Ellis, Mark Jenkins
Bass James Brandon, Gianni Welsh, Sean Welsh

CHOIR II

Soprano Jessica Brandon, Christina Dattolo, Selah Harms,
..... Megan Jenkins, Valerie Jenkins
Alto Vienna Flurry, Julia Goddard, Anastasia Hunt,
..... Brandi Irwin, Jacquelynn Locher
Tenor David Brandon, Jordan Saranga, Joshua Sloan
Bass Shane Granger, Zechariah Henderson,
..... Patrick Hogan, Rufaro Manyepa

ORCHESTRA

Violin I Benjamin Shute**, Patrick Conlon, Maria Marcos,
Violin II Densi Rushing*, José Batty, Ezekiel Malone
Viola Betty Yuan*, Scotty Scott
Cello Seth Malone*, Meryl Geib
Bass Michael Geib
Harp Anastasia Abu Bakar
Organ Ellie Hilliker
Oboe Joseph Wenda*, Janey Akagha
Bassoon Lori Wooden*, Anna Resnick
Trumpet Karl Sievers*, Michael Anderson
Trombone Jeff Kidwell*, Marianna Bala'a, John Pranter
Timpani Roger Owens
Flute Leah Hyde, Jenna Natanawan

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