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the

UF Carillon Studio

in a Holiday Concert

Sunday, December 7, 2014
3:00PM
Century Tower
Program

Carol of the Bells                                    Mykola Leontovich & Peter Wilhousky
                                                         arr. Gerken

Mandy Guan

Three movements from *A Carillon Book for the Liturgical Year/Advent*  
  Veni Emmanuel                                      Roy Hamlin Johnson
  Hemsley                                            (b. 1929)
  Verbum supernum

Mitchell Stecker

Silent Night                                         Franz Gruber
                                                      arr. Gerken

Mandy Guan

Lute Book Lullaby                                    W. Ballet (17th c.)
                                                      arr. Bodden

Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas              Hugh Martin & Ralph Blane
                                                      arr. Bodden

Katie VanDeventer

Nu Ar Det Jul Igen (Now it is Yule Again)            Anon. (Scandinavian)
                                                      arr. Myhre

Come, All Ye Children                               Anon. (Spanish)
                                                      arr. Myhre

Mitchell Morelock

Angels We Have Heard on High                         Old French Melody
                                                      arr. Myhre

Joy to the World                                     G.F. Handel
                                                      arr. Buchanan

Katheryn Campbell

Silver Bells                                          Jay Livingston & Ray Evans
                                                      arr. Grabow

Auld Lang Syne                                       Traditional Scottish
                                                      arr. Barnes

Kelsey Grabach
The Sunday Afternoon Concert Series continues with programs on at 3PM during the spring semester: January 11, February 22 (4PM: guest carillonneur Andrée-Anne Doane/Montreal), March 15, and April 12.

The carillon is performed daily when classes are session. For the remainder of the semester the carillon will be performed on Dec. 8-10 from 12:35-12:50PM and 4:55-5:10PM.

During finals week (Dec. 15-19), the carillon may be heard from 12:05-12:25PM and 5:05-5:25PM.

For more information about carillon performances, please visit the carillon website: www.arts.ufl.edu/carillon

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About the Carillon

Century Tower, a monument constructed in 1953 in memory of students killed in World War I and World War II, houses a cast-bell carillon. By definition, a carillon must have at least 23 fixed, finely tuned bells. The Century Tower Carillon has 61 bells, encompassing a range of 5 octaves, and is one of the largest university carillons in the United States. There are fewer than 200 carillons in all of North America, and only four can be found in the state of Florida.

The carillon is played by hand from a clavier or keyboard, with 61 keys (called “batons”) for the hands as well as 25 pedals for the feet, in a small room just below the bell chamber. The carillonneur moves the clappers of the bells with the batons and pedals while the bells remain stationary.

Through the efforts of Professor Emeritus Willis Bodine, the world-class carillon housed in Century Tower was purchased for approximately $200,000 with funds accumulated from student fees over several generations of students. These funds were earmarked by the Board of Regents and the Legislature for campus improvements in the performing arts. The carillon purchase was endorsed unanimously by the Student Senate in 1976.

The original 49 bells housed on the top floor of the tower were cast in 1978 by the firm of Koninklijke Eijsbouts (Royal Dutch Bell Foundry) of Asten, The Netherlands. The bronze bells were tuned at the foundry by carefully shaving metal from the interior of the bells and will never need retuning. The bells are hung individually from stainless steel bolts on a massive steel frame. The largest bell, the “bourdon,” stands five feet tall, is five feet in diameter and weighs about 7,000 pounds.

A $450,000 gift from the estate of Larry A. Webb of St. Augustine, FL, made possible major upgrading of the carillon in 2002. The renovation, carried out by Eijsbouts, included the installation of 12 additional bells (for a total of 61), improvements in the playing action, and new performance and practice claviers.