

Phillippe Presents

News and Notes on Phillippe Performing Arts Center events

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From the Director's Desk

Christmas Time is Here, and It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas here in the Phillippe Performing Arts Center. We've *Decked the Halls* and lobby with *The Holly and the Ivy* and *Silver Bells* and *O the Christmas Trees* are beautiful. Come see *Little Drummer Boys* and girls of the Heart of Indiana Children's Choir as they sing and play their percussion instruments for you on December 5th. It will be anything but a *Silent Night* as the Chorale presents their Lessons and Carols concert on December 9th. You will swear that *Santa Claus is Coming to Town* and he's *Wishing You a Merry Christmas* as you sit and enjoy *The Christmas Songs* of the Mississinewa Valley Band on December 12th.

We in the Phillippe hope you *Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas* and that you remember the reason for the season, *Away in a Manger*, the little Lord, Jesus, the greatest gift of all.

Phil Huber
Director



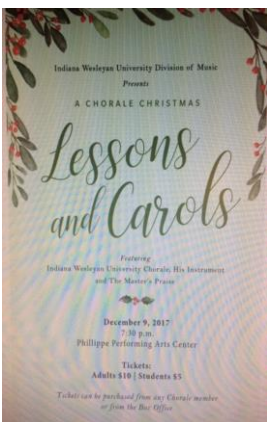
Dec. 5 @ 7:30pm

Phillippe Auditorium

The Heart of Indiana Children's Choir Winter Concert will feature holiday music as well as uplifting folk songs from America and West Africa. The IWU World Music Ensemble will also be featured. This is the 20th anniversary year for The Heart of Indiana Children's Choir, under the direction of Dr. Chris Lessly, Professor of Music at IWU. Treble-voice choir members range in age from five to 17.

Tickets are on sale now at the [Box Office](#) and [online](#).

General Admission: \$5* Students: \$2.50* Children 5 and under: Free



Dec. 9 @ 7:30pm

Phillippe Auditorium

"Lessons and Carols" is an age-old, traditional service that commemorates the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Emulating the service observed at the King's College at Cambridge that started in 1918, this service brings together an evening of hearing classic Christian carols alongside lessons about the carols to create a holistic worship experience in this Advent season. Leaders from the Marion community and the "IWU Chorale" wish to offer their version of the "Lessons and Carols" this

holiday season. It promises to be a night full of joy and excitement to usher in the Christmas season. We hope you will join us!

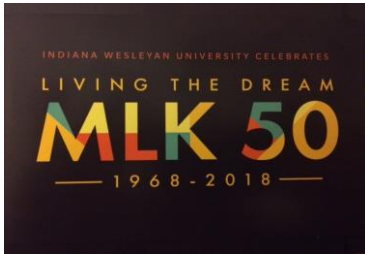
Tickets are on sale now at the [Box Office](#) and [online](#)

General Admission: \$10* Students: \$7*

Phillippe Box Office: 765-677-2610 or box.office@indwes.edu

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5th Annual Living the Dream MLK Celebration

Friday, January 12 @ 7:00pm

Phillippe Auditorium

Join us as we mark Dr. King's 89th birthday and celebrate his dream of radical, revolutionary love that still inspires the world. The concert will feature the five-time Grammy Award and Grammy Lifetime Award winner, Blind Boys of Alabama. A reception will take place in the IWU Student Center Piazza following the event. This event is sponsored by Indiana Wesleyan University's Office of Multicultural Enrichment & Employee Development.

This event is free to attend but a ticket is required. You can get tickets online by visiting www.indwes.edu/mlk. You can also get tickets through the IWU Box Office. Please note that there is a limit of eight tickets per transaction. **Also, tickets not claimed ten minutes prior to the start of the event will be subject to reissue.**

About the Blind Boys of Alabama:

Hailed as "gospel titans" by Rolling Stone, the Blind Boys first rose to fame in the segregated south with their thrilling vocal harmonies and roof-raising live show. They released their debut single, "I Can See Everybody's Mother But Mine," on the iconic Veejay label in 1948, launching



a 70-year recording career that would see them rack up five GRAMMY Awards (plus one for Lifetime Achievement), enter the Gospel Music Hall of Fame, collaborate with everyone from Mavis Staples and Stevie Wonder to Prince and Lou Reed, and perform on the world's most prestigious stages. It would be difficult to overstate the Blind Boys' influence on their contemporaries and the generations that came after. The New York Times said that they "came to epitomize what is known as jubilee singing, a livelier breed of gospel music," adding that "they made it zestier still by adding jazz and blues idioms and turning up the volume, creating a sound...like the rock 'n' roll that grew out of it." TIME Magazine raved that "they're always hunting for - and finding - the perfect note or harmony that lifts an old tune into the sublime," while The Washington Post praised their "soul-stirring harmonies" and "range of cross-genre collaborations," and The New Yorker simply called them "legendary."

"When the Blind Boys started out, we weren't even thinking about all these accolades and all that stuff," founding member Jimmy Carter told NPR. "We just wanted to get out and sing gospel and tell the world about gospel music." Mission accomplished!

(Biographical information from the group's latest album project, "Almost Home")

Baker Recital Hall Events

Dec. 2 at 1:00pm

Anna Curry Sr. Piano Recital

Dec. 2 at 3:00pm

Nash Flanagan Sr. Percussion
Recital

Dec. 9 @ 10:00am

Music Academy Children's Recital

Note: Dates and times for performances taking place in Baker Recital Hall are subject to change. If you plan to attend one of these events, feel free to contact the Music Division office in advance at 765-677-2152 to confirm the event time.



Tuesday, December 12 @ 7:30pm

Phillippe Auditorium

You are cordially invited to bring your friends and family and join the Mississinewa Valley Band as they celebrate the season with their Christmas concert, **Yuletide Spectacular at the Phillippe**. The band will be joined by Faith in Motion Dance Studio, a Vocal Quartet, and Spencer Bunch to make this year's show unique. The evening will also include some familiar traditions, including the Flute Choir and the Mississinewa Valley Swing Band. To finish off this festive evening, the band invites everyone to join them for a cookie and punch reception following the performance. This is a **FREE** concert event that you will not want to miss. We hope to see you there.

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