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Spring 2025

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Welcome



It is my absolute pleasure to welcome you to today's performance! When this ensemble began 15 years ago, we could only dream of the growth, artistry, and community we would build over the years. From our humble beginnings to the accomplished group you see before you, it has been an incredible journey—one made possible by the dedication of our talented musicians and the unwavering support of audiences like you.

This season, we invite you to "Celebrate! Join the Party!" as we take you on a musical journey through the calendar year. Each piece represents a special moment—whether it's the fresh start of a new year, the warmth of summer, or the joy of holiday traditions.

I am truly blessed to lead this ensemble, and I thank you for being part of our celebration. We hope you enjoy the show!

Rick Holdsworth
Principal Conductor

Ring Sarasota CDs for sale (\$10/ea)

"Ring Sarasota" containing selections such as:

Meditation on Beautiful Savior • Amazing Grace • Rigaudon • Festive Dance

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please stop by our table in the lobby or email us at info@ringsarasota.org.

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Handchime Educational Outreach Program

Now in its fourth year, Ring Sarasota's Handchime Educational Outreach Program continues to bring handbell music to our community, while our volunteers remain dedicated to expanding our educational programming.

Ring Sarasota member Kathryn G. serves as an advisor for a homeschool co-op in North Port. She assists their leaders to learn the basics of handbells and how to teach their students. Their handbell program has grown exponentially from 12 to 50+ ringers, who participate in beginner, intermediate, or advanced groups.

A second outreach program involves charter school students in Bradenton, FL. They've expanded their music education through regular weekly classroom experiences with our Associate Conductor Terri.

Some quotes from these charter school students:

"When I first starting playing the chimes I felt shy and nervous. Now when I play I feel amazing and talented."

"The main reason I enjoy bells is because I get to play an instrument I never even heard of before."

"I appreciate Ms. Terri and I really can't express how grateful I am to her and her organization for letting us play the bells."

Ring Sarasota's educational initiatives continue to grow and expand with adults as well. An exciting event introduced this summer, "Ringing 101," sent an open invitation to anyone who wanted to try ringing at no cost, no pressure, no commitment, and no experience necessary. The event was highly successful, where most of the participants elected to continue ringing after the six-week session to prepare for "Holiday Headstart."

This one-day workshop for beginning and intermediate bell choirs focuses on music appropriate for the Advent and Christmas seasons. Unfortunately, Hurricanes Helene and Milton resulted in cancellation of last year's event, but we're already looking forward to next season!

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Program

L'Chaim! To Life!

Lawrence P. Bauer, Jr.

Aquarius / Let the Sunshine In

Words by James Rado and Gerome Ragni

Music by Galt MacDermot

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

What I Did for Love

Marvin Hamlisch

arr. Kevin McChesney

Celtic Praise

Rolf Loveland

arr. Kevin McChesney



Singin' in the Rain

Music by Nacio Herb Brown

Lyrics by Arthur Freed

arr. Brian Tervo

Footloose

Kenny Loggins

arr. John A. Behnke (ASCAP)

Prayer for the Innocents

Michael Helman

Program

INTERMISSION

The Stars and Stripes Forever

John Philip Sousa

trans. William H. Griffin

Jeremiah was a Bullfrog (Joy to the World)

Hoyt Axton

arr. Rick Holdsworth

Autumn Leaves

Joseph Kosma

arr. Andrea Handley

Ghostbusters

Ray Parker Jr.

arr. Brian Childers (ASCAP)

Lord of the Dance

Adapted by Sydney Carter

arr. Kevin McChesney

Sleigh Ride

Leroy Anderson

arr. Martha Lynn Thompson



Party Hosts



TERRI CHAPMAN *, Associate Conductor

This Capricorn is a native of Pennsylvania and delights in any treat containing chocolate sprinkles.



CHRIS SHEPPARD

Hailing from Texas and born under the sign of Aquarius, his passion is bicycling around the state.



REBECCA ST. PIERRE*

One of three Sarasota natives in the group and a Pisces, she reveres asymmetry.



SUZI REGULSKI*

Originally from New York, this Aries adores pumpkin pie.



LIBBY TYNER BISPHAM+

Another Aries, she claims to be an Army brat and treasures sharks.



ROBIN REICH

Also an Aries, she comes from North Carolina and enjoys all things butterflies.

Party Hosts



KATHRYN GERKEN

This Taurus delights in chocolate ice cream and hails from Massachusetts.



KARI SHEPPARD

A native of Minnesota, she is a Taurus who loves beautiful dragonflies.



KATHIE HAYES+

Another Taurus, this Indiana native revels in University of Miami football wins.



CAROLYN SCHMIDT

Our New Jersey native and Gemini applauds 5/8 time.



LARRY BAUER

This Pennsylvania Gemini savors a rich Malbec wine.



PAIGE HUNT

Our resident expert on all things Beetlejuice, she was born in Connecticut under the sign of Cancer.

Party Hosts



VALERIE PHILLIPS*

This fellow Cancer, a Pennsylvania native, fancies fireflies.



DEBBIE FREELAND*

This Virgo, originally from Maryland, praises safe airplane landings.



RICK HOLDSWORTH+*, PRINCIPAL CONDUCTOR

Another Virgo, he is a New York native who rejoices in his grandchildren.



STEVEN LEADBETTER

Originally from North Dakota, our Libra finds happiness at the beach.



KAT HAMILL

The youngest member of our group, this Scorpio is a native Floridian and celebrates good grades.



SARA LINDGREN*

Hailing from Wisconsin, this Scorpio is dazzled by all things that sparkle.

Party Hosts



KATY ELLIS*

A Sarasota native, our third Scorpio revels in football season.



TIM GERKEN

This Sagittarius enjoys a good ale and hails from the state of Washington.

+Founding Member

*Board Member

SPECIAL THANKS

Voiceover Artists – Larry Bauer, Terri Chapman, Katy Ellis, Debbie Freeland, Tim Gerken, Kathie Hayes, Steven Leadbetter, Sara Lindgren, Suzi Regulski, Rebecca St. Pierre, Chris Sheppard, Libby Tyner Bispham, Allison Vance

“Hidden by the Rustling Corn” by Tom Fisher

Drummer – Scott Blum

A/V Technician and Road Crew – Addison Hamill

Promo Table – Renee Freeman

Thank you to Pine Shores Presbyterian Church for allowing us to use their rehearsal and storage spaces.

Become a Ring Sarasota Business Partner!

Ring Sarasota is excited to offer business sponsorship opportunities for our upcoming 2025-2026 performance season! As Sarasota and Manatee counties' premier handbell ensemble, we bring the unique artistry of handbell music to audiences across the region—and beyond! This season alone, our performances will take us from Sarasota to Largo, Sebring, and more.

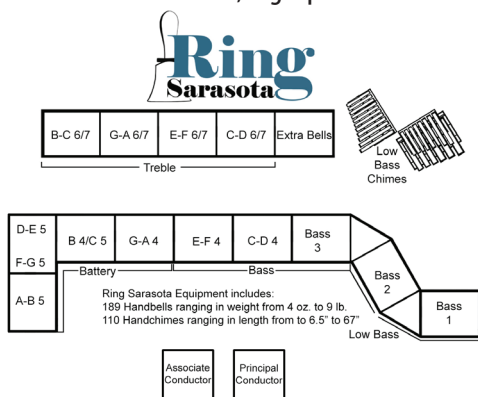
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- > Social media promotions
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- > Logo placement and more!

Your support helps us continue our mission to inspire passion for the art of handbell ringing while showcasing your business to engaged and appreciative audiences.

Interested? Email Info@RingSarasota.org to learn more about how your business can join the Ring Sarasota family!

Ever wondered how Ring Sarasota creates its rich, full handbell sound? This layout gives you a behind-the-scenes look at how our bells are arranged on the tables—from the tiniest, high-pitched bells to the massive, deep-toned ones



that take some serious muscle to ring! We also use handchimes, adding an extra layer of warmth and resonance to our music. With bells ranging from just a few inches long to nearly the size of a small toddler (and weighing just as much!), every note has its place. It's a carefully

choreographed setup that allows our musicians to weave melodies, harmonies, and rhythms into a seamless musical experience!

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Our Mission Statement

Ring Sarasota, Inc. is a non-profit organization designed to educate the community about the art of handbell ringing and to present quality handbell music to various audiences.

Dedicated to enhancing handbell ringing as an art form, the Sarasota-based group under the direction of former Navy bandleader Rick Holdsworth showcases over 200 individual handbells and handchimes rung by a large ensemble of ringers to create a symphony of sound.

Ring Sarasota, Inc. is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, tax ID number 27-3886712

Thank you for joining us today!

We so appreciate your support, and we look forward to entertaining you for many years to come!

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2025
Performance
Dates

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March 9, 5 pm

St. Mark's Episcopal Church
508 Riviera Street, Venice

March 14, 6 pm

Waterside Place
7500 Island Cove Terrace
Lakewood Ranch

March 16, 4 pm

First United Methodist Church
603 11th St W, Bradenton
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March 30, 3 pm

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
455 Missouri Avenue, Largo

April 6, 5 pm

St. John United Methodist Church
33631 Grand Prix Drive, Sebring
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April 13, 5 pm

St. Armands Key Lutheran Church
40 N. Adams Drive, Sarasota
\$20

April 27, 5 pm

Pine Shores Presbyterian Church
6116 Crestwood Avenue, Sarasota

For More Information:

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and free to attend unless stated otherwise