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## Beverly Hall

### Music Director and Conductor

Beverly is a conductor, pianist and teacher moving to the Verde Valley area from Indiana. She is a graduate of Indiana University majoring in Music Education, graduating Cum Laude. She went on to earn Master Degrees in Piano Performance and Orchestral Conducting from Ball State University, and worked on a Doctoral Study in Choral Conducting. Further studies in New York and Chicago rounded out a lifetime of music education. Currently, she is a judge for the National Piano Guild and the Arizona Study Program for piano, Piano Guild Chair for Central Arizona, and is a member of the Advisory Board for the Verde Valley Concert Association. She has conducted many church, children, and community choirs including, theater choruses. Over the past 15 years, she has been principle Music Director and Conductor of the Verde Valley Voices, a position she loves and honors.

## Nancy Bright

### Pianist



Nancy has been the Accompanist for The Verde Valley Voices for 13 years. Often heard performing or accompanying, she enjoys a wide variety of musical opportunities throughout the Verde Valley.

Currently, Nancy is the Pianist, Organist and Choir Director at Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church where she has served for 20 years. She is also Organist at Immaculate Conception Catholic Parish and Accompanist for the Verde Baptist Church choir. Nancy received her music and business degrees from Arizona State University, graduating Cum Laude. She remains very active in accompanying instrumentalists, vocalists, ensembles and choirs in schools, churches and special programs in the community. She is often called on for her expertise at weddings and memorial services. Nancy has been the pianist in many productions for several theatre companies, school productions, recitals and fundraising concerts. She has extensive experience as a solo keyboardist and after many requests has produced her own CDs.

# *Verde Valley Voices*

Organized in 1997, the Verde Valley Voices is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote artistic self-expression through choral music in a non-audition group for all ages.

It offers the creative process of making music in fellowship, musicianship, and choral performances for the greater Verde Valley community. Our common goal is to grow collectively as a group and individually as choral singers.

This chorale of 100+ singers enthalls its audience with a variety of works, ranging from Handel's Messiah, Broadway show tunes to music from around the world.

Each concert features local musicians, such as the Cottonwood Community Band, other adult and children's choirs, as well as works by local composers.



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Bell Ensemble from Mountain View Methodist Church

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# Concert Program

## Be Joyful!

**“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”** ..... Arranged by Mark Hayes  
Words by Henry van Dyke  
Music by Ludwig van Beethoven  
Accompanied by Brass Quintet and Bell Choir

**“Ding Dong! Merrily on High”** ..... Arranged by John Leavitt  
16th Century French Carol

**“Sing for Joy”** ..... Words and Music by Ruth Elaine Schram  
Accompanied by the Bell Choir



**“Wexford Carol”** ..... Arranged by Anna Laura Page  
Traditional English and Irish Carol  
Flute Solo by Julie Smith

**“Joy to the World” with “Glory to God”** Setting by Hal H. Hopson  
Based on “Glory to God” from *Messiah* and *Antioch*  
by G. F. Handel

**“Good News!”** ..... Words and Music by Jay Althouse

**“Come Softly, Christmas”** ..... Music by Deborah R. Govenor  
Text by Ester Silvius  
Flute Solo by Julie Smith

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A Choral Fantasy “God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen” .....  
..... Arranged by Mark Riese

“Christmas Gloria” ..... Setting by Lloyd Larson  
*Mendelssohn* by Felix Mendelssohn  
*Forest Green*-Traditional English Melody  
*Gloria*-Traditional French Carol

“Alleluia” .....Arranged by Randall Thompson

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“A Welsh Noel” ..... Music by Dave and Jean Perry  
Words adapted from “Welsh New Year’s Eve’

“Hallelujah Chorus” ..... by George Frideric Handel

“A Garland of Carols” .....Arranged by Linda Spevacek-Avery  
Accompanied by the Brass Quartet and Bell Choir

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“Let There Be Peace on Earth” .....by Sy Miller & Jill Jackson  
Signature Song

**Master of Ceremonies**  
Terence Pratt

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# The Verde Valley Voices

**Director**  
Beverly Hall

**Accompanist**  
Nancy Bright

## *Sopranos*

Ahrens, Mary  
Benjamin, Gayle \*  
Bolton, Kim  
Brennan, Marianne  
Clark, Patricia  
Colby, Karen Ann  
Crivello, Christy  
Crivello, April  
Duncan, Cecilia \*  
Emerson, Beverly  
Emmett, Cindy  
Jessop, Harley  
Jessop, Kathryn  
Johnson, Cynthia  
Johnston, Lori  
Kadri, Kathi  
Leftault, Anne  
Levin, Kathy  
Lucas, Carol  
Maletz, Ilana  
McBride, Colleen  
McDowell, Desiree  
Morris, Mary  
Nix, Carol  
Norris, Shelley  
Rhoton, Amber  
Rhoton, Jill  
Richards, Elisa  
Schick, Willie  
Sesow, Sage  
Shires, Madeline  
Smith, Julie  
Smitterberg, Jude  
Sperger, Dottie  
Stewart, Jan \*  
Tipton/Davis, Sue  
Tonn, Barbara  
Turner, Ruth  
Vogel, Linda  
Waak, Marianna  
Warren, Linda  
Westberg, Judith  
Zuercher, Marny

## *Altos*

Arbuthnott, Mary  
Barron, Linda  
Bice, Velda  
Farraro, Lois  
Follett, Kristine  
Gaudreau, Luci  
Harris, Lyn \*  
Henry, Becky  
Hill, Eunice \*  
Jarvis, Pat  
Kelly, Joan  
Kadri-Urbach, Krisi  
Kelly, Joan  
Knoepfle, DeVona  
Komarek, Mary Lou  
Lemire, Countess  
Lungren, Carol \*  
Miller, Rita  
Nelson, Margaret  
Packer, LaFaye \*  
Palmer, April  
Rasmussen, Cathy  
Schreiber, Elke  
Sedacca, Eileen  
Steves, Myndy  
Stewart, Marilyn  
Unruh, Louise  
Vanderlippe, Margi  
Webb, Phyllis  
West, Rosie  
Westling, Casey  
Westling, Joanna  
Wilson, Kathleen  
Wood, Trish

## *Tenors*

Baker, Jake  
Bareford, Bob  
Braithwaite, Georgia \*  
Chang, Stephen

Dietel, David  
Eidson, David \*  
Klauke, Tom  
Leftault, Dan  
Lewis, Leon  
Manzenberger, Neil  
Markle, Jay  
Minnick, Mary Ann  
Nemanich, John  
Reese, Sally  
Roberts, Stan  
Schick, Terry  
Tolbert, Steve  
Uruburu, Anne  
Vogel, Dell

## *Basses*

Bevan, Mike  
Bryant, Rick  
Eidson, Sylvane  
Fullerton, Kent  
Haggard, Ray  
Hartley, Dennis  
Kavet, Alex  
Logsdon, Pamela  
Martin, David  
Parker, Naomi  
Rees, Fred \*  
Reese, Robert  
Rosen, Phil  
Rosenfeld, Paul  
Shires, Sam  
Shoptaugh, Lee  
Stoddard, Hall  
Stolberg, Arne \*  
Westberg, Richard  
Westling, Ethan  
Whipple, Earl  
Witt, Bill  
Young, Bart

\* *Team leaders*



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The Verde Valley Voices presents two concerts each year; one during the holiday season, and the other in late spring. Most recently, they've performed at Verde River Days, the Cottonwood Fall Festival, and Cottonwood's Chocolate Walk in Old Town. A yearly favorite activity for the Voices is spreading Christmas cheer by caroling at area nursing homes and assisted-living facilities.

The Voices will begin practice for their next concert on Tuesday, January 7, 2014. You too can "Sing for Joy" in our Spring concert on May 3, 2014 at Verde Baptist Church. Come join us for great music and even more FUN!

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