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CONCERT VIDEO PREMIERE  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2021  
8:40 - 9:00 PM

Jim Schaeffer, Director

Pamela Smith, Accompanist

Larry Giangrosso, Principal

SPAIN PARK HIGH SCHOOL



# Treble Voices

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# Program

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01 HODIE

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02 PLEASE STAY

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03 YOUR HEART IS  
MY HEART

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04 THEY'RE RED HOT

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# Performing Choir

## TREBLE VOICES

The Spain Park High School Treble Voices are the combined treble singers from the three SPHS curricular choirs: *Concert Choir*, *Treble Ensemble*, and *Rhapsody In Blue* show choir. In a normal school year, each ensemble rehearses four hours weekly during school hours. Rehearsal emphasis is on intermediate to advanced musicianship and sight-singing, vocal production, vocal technique, and ensemble performance. The Spain Park High School Treble Voices have received the Distinguished Musicianship Award in recognition for receiving all Superior Ratings at the Alabama State Choral Performance Assessment for the past ten years.



# Choral Department

## SPAIN PARK HIGH SCHOOL

The five choral ensembles at Spain Park High School are the *Concert Choir*, *Treble Ensemble*, *Chamber Choir*, *Rhapsody In Blue* show choir, and *Silver Lining* contemporary pop a cappella group. Choirs from Spain Park High School have represented the choral department, school, and community as guest performing choirs at The University of Alabama, Huntingdon College, and The University of Alabama at Birmingham. The Choirs have accepted invitations to participate in the Choirs of America for Top Choirs Festivals at Carnegie Hall in New York City (2017 and 2021) and Anaheim, California (2019).

While the students of the Spain Park High School Choral Department strive for excellence in their musical endeavors, they also apply life lessons and discipline learned through choral singing to their everyday lives.

# Choir Director

## JIM SCHAEFFER

Mr. Jim Schaeffer is the Choir Director, AP Music Theory instructor, and Fine Arts Department Chair at Spain Park High School in Birmingham, AL. In 2017 he became a National Board Certified Teacher and earned his MME from Florida State University, where he studied conducting under Dr. André Thomas.

Mr. Schaeffer received his BS in Choral Music Education from The University of Alabama where he was a member of the University Singers, University Chorus, and Men's A Cappella Group *Subject to Change*. Mr. Schaeffer was the first recipient of the Outstanding Young Music Educator Award presented by the Alabama Music Educators Association in 2014.

Mr. Schaeffer holds memberships with the National Association for Music Education and American Choral Directors Association. He currently serves as webmaster for the Alabama Vocal Association and treasurer and webmaster for the Alabama Choral Directors Association. Mr. Schaeffer has spent summers on stage with the Red Mountain Theatre Company and is a former member of the Birmingham Chamber Chorus under the direction of Dr. Terre Johnson. Mr. Schaeffer is an avid English Premier League soccer and Alabama football fan. He and his wife Arabella live in Birmingham with their one-year-old son, Charlie, and french bulldog, Sancho.

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# Hodie

Jacob Narverud (b. 1986)

01. *HODIE*
02. PLEASE STAY
03. YOUR HEART IS MY HEART
04. THEY'RE RED HOT

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Hodie Christus natus est:  
Hodie Salvator apparuit:  
Hodie in terra canunt Angeli,  
laetantur Archangeli  
Hodie exsultant justi, dicentes:  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Alleluia.

Today Christ is born:  
Today the Savior appeared:  
Today on Earth the Angels sing,  
Archangels rejoice:  
Today the righteous rejoice, saying:  
Glory to God in the highest.  
Alleluia.

02

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# Please Stay

Jake Runestad (b. 1986)

Chandler Young, soloist

01. HODIE
02. *PLEASE STAY*
03. YOUR HEART IS MY HEART
04. THEY'RE RED HOT



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No! Don't go!

Don't let your worst day be your last.  
The storm is strong, but it will pass.  
You think you can't go on another day,  
but please stay. Just stay.

Hope is real. Help is real.  
You are breath, you are life,  
you are beauty, you are light.

Your story is not over.  
You are not a burden to anyone.

Please stay. Just stay.

*Text adapted from tweets using #IKeptLiving.*

*Expressions of hope from those who battle depression and chose to live.*

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# Your Heart Is My Heart

Alex Gartner (b. 1990)

01. HODIE
02. PLEASE STAY
03. *YOUR HEART IS MY HEART*
04. THEY'RE RED HOT

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Your heart is my heart  
And I will be with you by your side  
I will uplift you  
That is the most important thing  
You are loved  
You are so loved  
Not today  
I am a warrior  
And I'm not going anywhere  
Your heart is my heart  
And I will be there to raise you up  
*Libera me, domine*

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# They're Red Hot

Robert Johnson (1911-1938), arr. Moira Smiley

01. HODIE
02. PLEASE STAY
03. YOUR HEART IS MY HEART
04. *THEY'RE RED HOT*

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Hot tamales and they're red hot  
Yeah, she got 'em for sale.

She got two for a nickel,  
got four for a dime.  
Would sell you more  
but it ain't none a' mine.

Hot tamales and they're red hot  
Yeah, she got 'em for sale I mean,  
Yeah, she got 'em for sale.

I mean  
she's got the rhythm of it.  
I mean  
a' stumblin' and kickin' on it  
I mean  
they're red hot

Hot tamales and they're red hot  
Yeah, she got 'em for sale.

You know grandma left  
and grandpa too.  
What in the world  
we chil'un gonna do?

Me and my babe bought  
a V8 Ford.  
Wind that thing'all on the  
runnin board.

Hot tamales and they're red hot  
Yeah, she got 'em for sale I mean,  
Yeah, she got 'em for sale!

# Singers

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\*Alexandria Anthony  
Kensington Ball  
Chandleigh Barton  
Jace Bell  
Malia Belyeu  
Kayley Bigbee  
Ashleigh Blair  
Myah Brazeal  
LG Brooks  
\*Anna Bush  
Gabby Camargo  
Kirsten Capps  
\*Adie Carter  
Anna Caulk  
Taylor Conly  
Lacey Crews  
Sarah Beth Denney  
Nellie Feese  
\*Cordelia Fox

Mattie Franks  
Cameron Frazier  
Caroline Fricks  
Kaitlyn Hall  
Mya Hall  
Isabella Hickey-Mendez  
Kennedy Holloway  
Ella Jayne Hyde  
Annabelle King  
Peyton LeCroy  
Sally Little  
\*Greer Mangina  
Ansley Mikos  
Jadyn Minson  
\*McKenzie Mitchell  
Alyssa Moore  
Amy Moore\*  
Lily Moreno  
Abby Morris

Aanya Noorani  
Savannah Oakman  
Taylor Peebles  
Raima Reese  
Maria Ritchey  
Saibri Ross  
Ryan Scholl  
Garner Schuck  
Sawyer Smith  
Sophie Stewart  
Scarlett Swiney  
Lindsay Tadlock  
Elle Taylor  
Hannah Warren  
Mary Ashlee Wilbourne  
Gracie Woodfin  
Chandler Young  
Emily Zhang

\*Alabama All-State Chorus 2021

*Independently  
Impressive.  
Better  
Together.*

# Thanks

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The Alabama Music Educators Association  
The Alabama Vocal Association  
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Murry Hill, Assistant Principal  
Yvette Coley-Smith, Assistant Principal  
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Richard Adams, Band Director  
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## A FINAL WORD

Singing in a choir is not only about communality, social cohesion, and harmony. For many, it is an essential source of emotional wellbeing and positive mental health. Moreover, it is a powerful expression of our culture and humanity, and it cannot be allowed to fade away. To our state arts organizations, district leadership, and school administration: *Thank You* for giving us an opportunity to safely sing, and for not allowing our voices to be silenced. Students: Amidst the uncertainties of contact tracing, distancing, and staggered schedules, *Thank You* for remaining poised, professional, and resilient in your daily pursuit of excellence.



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