

The School of Music Welcomes Winter

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Above: Conductor Andrew Skoog leading the University of Tennessee Men's Chorale in "The Sussex Carol"

On December 4th, The University of Tennessee Knoxville held it's Winter Choral Concert in the Alumni Memorial building. The show had quite a large turnout, and despite the size of the James R. Cox Auditorium, most rows were packed from end to end.

The concert featured a variety of holiday-themed performances from each ensemble within the UTK School of Music, blending holiday music from different countries, religions, and even performing in their native language in the case of "Chiribim, Chiribom". The concert was led by conductors Andrew Skoog, Hannah Berkley, Dr. Lindsey Cope, and Dr. Angela Batey.

Throughout the performance, many of the songs incorporated choreography from the performers walking in patterns and, at times, even acting out the songs like a musical. While the show had moments of acapella, there were also live instruments including trumpets, a large pipe organ, grand piano, and beatboxing. The show wrapped up by bringing all of the ensembles together

into a large choir that took up almost the entire stage as the room stood and sung "O Come, All Ye Faithful" and ending on "Joy to the World".



Above: The crowd at the James R. Cox Auditorium enjoying the performance

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