

Carillon Recitals

Century Tower The University of Florida Sunday, November 17, 2024 **1:55 PM**

UF Carillon Studio

Orig	ginal Compositions for Carill	on
Andromeda	ANDREW LYONS	Yvette Janine Jackson (b. 1973)
Étude from Three Short Pieces	ASHLYN DELLAVECCHIA	Gary White (b. 1937)
Second Prelude from Three Prelud	les for Carillon TORI LAROSE	Theophil Rusterholz (1907-2001)
Sarabande	JEN MOLONEY	Ronald Barnes (1927-1997)
On the San Antonio River	Anna Huber	Robert Byrnes (1949-2004)
	Hymns and Folk Songs	
Improvisation on "It is Well"	H.G. Spafford (LIZ STOEBER	1828-1888) & P.P. Bliss (1838-1876)
Bint Al Shalabiyya	FRANCESCA CHALFOUN	Traditional Lebanese, arr. Mann
The Raftsmen	Fre Charleigh Baab	nch-Canadian Folk Song, arr. Allard
	Composed for the UF Carille	on
Jubilee! I. Toccatina Festiva on "Flor	rida, our Alma Mater"	Geert D'hollander (b. 1965)

II. Berceuse on "America the Beautiful"III. Danza American on "We are the Boys from Old Florida"

MICHAEL DIXON

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Please join us for remaining events in our Fall concert series!

Sunday, December 8, 1:55PM: Annual UF Carillon Studio Holiday Concert Saturday, December 14, 6:15PM: Florida Carillon Festival: Guest Artist

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Carillon music is performed Monday thru Friday from 12:35-12:50 & 4:55-5:10 when classes are in session. During final exam week performances may be heard from 12:05-12:25 & 5:05-5:25PM.

For more information about carillon performances, please visit the carillon website: <u>www.arts.ufl.edu/carillon</u>

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About the Carillon

Century Tower, a monument constructed in 1953 in memory of students killed in World War I and World War II, houses a cast-bell carillon. By definition, a carillon must have at least 23 fixed, finely tuned bells. The Century Tower Carillon has 61 bells, encompassing a range of 5 octaves, and is one of the largest university carillons in the United States. There are fewer than 200 traditional carillons in all of North America, and only four can be found in the state of Florida.

The carillon is played by hand from a clavier or keyboard, with 61 keys (called "batons") for the hands as well as 25 pedals for the feet, in a small room just below the bell chamber. The carillonneur moves the clappers of the bells with the batons and pedals while the bells remain stationary.

Through the efforts of Professor Emeritus Willis Bodine, the world-class carillon housed in Century Tower was purchased for approximately \$200,000 with funds accumulated from student fees over several generations of students. These funds were earmarked by the Board of Regents and the Legislature for campus improvements in the performing arts. The carillon purchase was endorsed unanimously by the Student Senate in 1976.

The original 49 bells housed on the top floor of the tower were cast in 1978 by the firm of Koninklijke Eijsbouts (Royal Dutch Bell Foundry) of Asten, The Netherlands. The bronze bells were tuned at the foundry by carefully shaving metal from the interior of the bells and will never need re-tuning. The bells are hung individually from stainless steel bolts on a massive steel frame. The largest bell, the "bourdon," stands five feet tall, is five feet in diameter and weighs about 7,000 pounds.

A \$450,000 gift from the estate of Larry A. Webb of St. Augustine, FL, made possible major upgrading of the carillon in 2002. The renovation, carried out by Eijsbouts, included the installation of 12 additional bells (for a total of 61), improvements in the playing action, and new performance and practice claviers.