

*Rainbow Women's Chorus presents*



# Turn the World Around

*a concert celebrating Peace and Pride*

**Saturday, May 19, 2007, 8 PM**

Los Altos High School Eagle Theatre  
201 Almond Avenue, Los Altos



**Sunday, May 20, 2007, 3 PM**

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church  
1550 Meridian Avenue, San Jose



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## **Artistic Directors**

Ruth Huber

Betsy Wagner

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# Rainbow Women's Chorus Staff



## **Ruth Huber, Co-Director, Composer-in-Residence**

Ruth Huber was instrumental in founding both RWC and Tapestry Singers (the Austin Women's Chorus). She holds three music degrees, including a Masters in Composition from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, has studied conducting at San Jose State University, and currently serves as Music Director at Metropolitan Community Church of San Jose. An award-winning singer and composer, her choral music is published by Yelton Rhodes Music, and her latest CD, "Spirit of Nurture," is available online by visiting <http://www.cdbaby.com/cd/ruthhuber>. She teaches piano and voice and resides in San Jose with her partner, Brenda Meng, and an assortment of adorable cats.



## **Betsy Wagner, Co-Director**

Betsy Wagner has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Education with a dual major in voice and piano from Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, LA. She has been teaching music to students in grades K-12 for 24 years. Since coming to the Bay Area in 1990, she has built an award-winning choir program at Morrill Middle School in San Jose. Betsy has been singing with the Rainbow Women's Chorus since 1997 and has been co-director since 2000. She creates the choralography for RWC performances and, in the fall of 2003, helped found RWC's small ensemble, Vocal InFusion. According to her mom, her natural musical ability showed up at the early age of two, when she played "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" by ear on her toy piano.



## **Doug Forsyth, Accompanist**

Doug Forsyth joined RWC as accompanist in 1998. He graduated from Willamette University in Salem, Oregon, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music, concentrating on piano performance. He has performed as a singer and an instrumentalist with the Silicon Valley Gay Men's Chorus, and he has accompanied numerous other performers and choruses. With his characteristic good humor, Doug says, "Rainbow Women's Chorus has offered me many musical challenges with these concerts." He is appreciated by both singers and directors for his unfailing musicianship, and his ability to read our minds.

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## Set One

### **Turn the World Around**

Words and music by Harry Belafonte and  
Robert Freedman, arranged by Roger Emerson

### **Peace Like a River**

Traditional, arranged by Joan Szymko

### **Dreams**

Words by Langston Hughes, music by  
Rollo Dilworth

### **I Ain't Afraid**

Words and music by Holly Near, arranged by  
J. David Moore

### **Tzena, Tzena, Tzena**

Music by Issachar Miron, arranged by J. David  
Moore, English lyrics by Gordon Jenkins and  
Pete Seeger, Hebrew Lyrics by Yehiel Haggiz,  
Arabic lyrics by Salman Natour

### **Nella Fantasia (In My Fantasy)**

Music by Ennio Morricone, arranged by Audrey  
Snyder, Italian lyrics by Chiara Ferrau

### **We Are Family**

Words and music by Nile Rodgers and Bernard  
Edwards, arranged by Kirby Shaw

### **Intermission**

## Set Two

### **Study War No More**

Traditional spiritual, arranged by J. David Moore

### **In This House**

Words and music by Ruth Huber, arranged with Nell  
Clowder

### **Arise My Love**

Words and music by Joan Szymko. Words adapted  
by composer from “The Song of Solomona’ and  
traditional hymn tune “At the River”

### **Dear Mr. President**

Words and music by Alicia Moore and Billy Mann,  
arranged by Heather Hartter, Ruth Huber, Kris  
Robison and Kim Wallace

### **World Citizen**

Words and music by Melanie Shanahan of Akasa,  
arranged by Orchid Pusey,  
performed by Vocal InFusion

### **The Storm is Passing Over**

Words and music by Charles Albert Tindley, ar-  
ranged by Barbara W. Baker

### **Parade**

Words and music by Eric Lane Barnes

## Additional Performance Credits

Instruments: Piano: Doug Forsyth

Choralography: Betsy Wagner

## Singers

### Sopranos

Betsy Wagner \*†  
Eileen Soeder  
Gloria Perkins†  
Heather Hartter†  
Jan Blossom†  
Liz Shivell  
Karin Bogliolo  
Margorie Pearson  
Ruth Huber\*  
Sari Van Otegham†

### Altos

Dorothy Furgerson  
Eileen Hamper  
Jean Hogan  
JoAnn Bray†  
Kim Wallace†  
Kristine Robison  
Laurie Pepin  
Laurie Willis†  
Margaret Curry  
Heide Wilson

\*Directors

† Members of  
*Vocal InFusion*

## Chorus Volunteers

Chorus Contact: Eileen Hamper  
Database: Kim Wallace  
Grant Writers: Kim Wallace &  
JoAnn Bray  
Marketing: Sari Van Otegham  
Membership: Heather Hartter  
Music Librarian: Gloria Perkins  
Performance Booking: Laurie Willis  
Tax Returns: Sally Cooperrider  
Wardrobe Mistress: Jan Blossom  
Webmistress: Kristine Robison

## Concert Production Staff

Ad Sales: Heather Hartter  
Cover Design: Eileen Hamper  
Editing: K' Ailsa Rowan  
Hobee's Snacks: Micki Morales  
Lobby Coordinator: Marge Schlechter  
Lobby Display: Liz Shivell  
Lobby Volunteers: Al Bonvouloir and  
Winn Crannell  
Publicity: Heide Wilson, Laurie Pepin,  
and all of the chorus members  
Print Trimming: Jean Hogan,  
Al Bonvouloir, and Winn Crannell  
Production Manager: JoAnn Bray  
Program Layout: Eileen Hamper  
Sound: James Gibbs  
Stage Manager: James Gibbs  
Ticket Distribution: Jean Hogan  
Ushers: Bettie Owen and Pat Hofrichter  
Other: Our friends, family, partners,  
spouses, and many others

## Action Circle (Board of Directors)

JoAnn Bray, *President*  
Heather Hartter, *Vice President*  
Marge Schlechter, *Treasurer*  
Eileen Hamper, *Secretary*  
Kristine Robison, *Member at Large*