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MISSOULA--

The University of Montana's annual gift to the community, a Christmas concert at 3 p.m. Sunday (Dec. 13) in the University Theater, will feature the University Choir, the UM Collegiate Chorale, the Montana Little Symphony and the University Brass Ensemble.

The concert, featuring UM faculty members, will begin with a composition, "Christmas Processional," written by Dr. Donald O. Johnston, associate professor of music, especially for the concert. The composition is for orchestra, two choirs, two brass choirs and organ.

Sunday's program is open to the public without charge.

The "Gloria" by Antonio Vivaldi will be performed by the Collegiate Chorale and the Montana Little Symphony, under the direction of Earl Compton, assistant professor of music, and accompanied by organist John Ellis, a music instructor.

Soloists during the "Gloria" will include Mrs. Jacqueline Compton, soprano; Jane H. Lea, assistant professor of music, soprano; and Esther England, visiting instructor in music, contralto.

"Ceremony of Carols" by Benjamin Britten will be presented by women of the University Choir, directed by Donald A. Carey, assistant professor of music.

UM freshman Adrienne June Dussault, Missoula, a soprano, and JoAnne Cure, a graduate assistant, mezzo-soprano, will be soloists during "Ceremony of Carols." Mrs. Priscilla Eitel, a music lecturer, will play harp accompaniment.

The University Brass Ensemble will play a selection from Sacrae Symphoniae 1597 by Giovanni Gabrieli, under the direction of Lance Boyd, a music instructor and assistant band director.

The University Choir and the Montana Little Symphony will present "Three Carols" by Peter Warlock, a work performed under Carey's direction. A UM freshman, Tamara Danne Bailey, Anchorage, Alaska, soprano, will be soloist for that selection.

"Joy to the World," sung by University performers and accompanied by the audience, will close the program.