

SEATTLE PACIFIC UNIVERSITY
MUSIC DEPARTMENT
PRESENTS

JUNIOR RECITAL

JADE TOLENTINO
MEZZO-SOPRANO

WITH

ZHANHONG KUANG, PIANO
PATRICK KE'ALOHILANI BALBAS (LOHI), GUITAR
COLBIE KAINOA ARCALAS, UKULELE
TIFFANY RUBY BLANCO, ALTO

NICKERSON STUDIOS
MONDAY, MAY 19, 2025 | 7:30 P.M.

PROGRAM

SKYLARK

Johnny Mercer (1909-1976)
& Hoagy Carmichael (1899-1981)
Michael Scott (1996)

SAKURA

KU'U PUA I PAOAKALANI

Lydia Lili'uokalani Loloku Waliana
Wewehi Kamaka'eha (1838-1917)

DREAM VALLEY

*From Three Songs of William Blake,
Op. 20, No. 1*

'A VUCHELLA

MY LOVE, MY LIFE

From Mamma Mia!

Roger Quilter (1877-1953)

Francesco Paolo Tosti (1846-1916)

Stig Anderson (1997),

Benny Andersson (b. 1946)

Björn Ulvaeus (b. 1945)

I'M NOT THAT GIRL

SHE USED TO BE MINE

From Waitress: the Musical

I'M HERE

From The Color Purple

Stephen Schwartz (b. 1948)

Sara Bareilles (b. 1979)

Ailee Willis (2019)

Brenda Russell (b. 1949)

Stephen Bray (b. 1956)

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Henry Krieger (b. 1945),

Anne Preven (b. 1965),

Scott Cutler (b. 1969),

Beyonce Knowles (b. 1981)

THE COLOR PURPLE

LISTEN

— Please join us for a reception in the lobby following the recital —

ABOUT THE MUSICIANS

Jade Tolentino is a junior at Seattle Pacific University pursuing a BA in Music Vocal Performance, and will be graduating in Spring Quarter 2026. Jade was surrounded by music in her early childhood, and has sought singing to be her lifelong career. Born and raised in 'Ewa Beach, Hawai'i, Jade had involved herself in performance arts through dance lessons, church worship, and private vocal lessons. She had served at Pearlside Church under the Worship Team from 2016-2019, then later became a Dance Captain at James Campbell High School from 2018-2020. Jade had vocally performed several times at Ala Moana Center and Kamakana Ali'i through events hosted by private vocalist coach, Maria Aquino Alexander. While obtaining her Liberal Arts: AA at Leeward Community College, Jade was given the opportunity to compose and publish a few songs such as "Fake" (2017) and "Youthful Eyes" (2019). Now attending SPU, she currently practices alongside Treble Choir and performs for Choir Concerts every quarter. Under the instruction of Professor Bonnecroy, Jade continues to take vocal lessons weekly, learning the different methods of classical singing, sight reading, and vocal care.

Jade performs tonight in partial fulfillment of a B.A. in Music with an emphasis in Vocal Performance

Zhanhong Kuang earned her BA degree in Piano Performance from Seattle Pacific University in 2018. She regularly collaborates with other musicians to perform chamber music, choral music, and church music. She has been working as an accompanist for Seattle School District since 2017, Tukwila School District since 2022, and has accompanied numerous choir concerts, musicals, music festivals, and competitions. In addition, Zhanhong has been serving as the accompanist for the Norwegian Ladies Chorus of Seattle and Magnolia Chorale. Besides accompanying, Zhanhong also enjoys teaching. She teaches private lessons at her own studio in Seattle.

LOHI is a Filipino recording artist and filmmaker from 'Ewa Beach, Hawai'i. Blending soul, R&B, and island influences, his work explores themes of cultural identity and the raw emotions of the human experience. He incorporates cinematic storytelling into his music, creating immersive visual worlds for each release.

Colbie Arcalas is a proud Pinoy, Kanaka Maoli, and registered nurse who leads with heart, faith and family. A lifelong lover of music, Colbie had found a passion in playing the ukulele through jam sessions with family and friends. Although his occupation lies in the hospital, his heart remains in music.

Tiffany Blanco is a junior at Seattle Pacific University, in the process of fulfilling her BA in Music Performance. Music had always been a common thread of joy, worship, and expression since she was little, and going into college, she had no idea what she would study. That was until the Lord lit her path with the next right step of studying music. She hopes to pass on the joy of making music to other students, and use music to inspire beauty, truth, and goodness.

Jade would like to give a special thanks to her family, friends, Professor Bonnecroy, and Cassean Tolentino!

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