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2025/26 SEASON

A Festival of Christmas Brass



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St. Cecilia Cathedral

Brett Hodge, Co-Artistic Director, French horn
Marie Rubis Bauer, Co-Artistic Director, Organ

TRADITIONAL (ARR. DILORENZO)	<i>Joy to the World</i>
TRADITIONAL (ARR. FLAGELLO)	<i>The Parting Glass</i>
NILES (ARR. SNEDECOR)	<i>I Wonder As I Wander</i>
TRADITIONAL	<i>Away In A Manger</i>
TRADITIONAL (ARR. SNEDECOR)	<i>Wexford Carol</i>
TRADITIONAL (ARR. ISELE)	<i>I Saw Three Ships</i>
LAURIDSEN	<i>O Magnum Mysterium</i>
INTERMISSION	
TRADITIONAL	<i>Joy to the World</i>
PRAETORIUS (ARR. TREYBIG)	<i>In Dulci Jubilo</i>
J.S. BACH	<i>In Dulci Jubilo BWV 729</i>
GABRIELI (ARR. MARLATT)	<i>Canzon noni toni, a 12, for Three Brass Choirs</i>
GRUBER (ARR. RING)	<i>Silent Night</i>
TRADITIONAL (ARR. SNEDECOR)	<i>Il est né</i>

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This printed program is a condensed version.

For more info about the orchestra, guest artists, and the full program notes, download the Omaha Symphony app or scan this QR code with your mobile device. *Para leer la información en español, utilice nuestro programa digital.*



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Verses

Away in a Manger

Away in a manger no crib for a bed.
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay.
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the poor baby wakes,
But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
And stay by my cradle 'til morning is nigh.

Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord has come!
Let earth receive her king.
Let every heart prepare him room
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing!

Joy to the world! the Saviour reigns;
Let all their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

Silent Night

Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, All is bright
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child
Holy Infant so Tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from heaven afar;
Heavenly hosts sing Al-le-lu-ia!
Christ the Saviour is born!
Christ the Saviour is born!