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CAROLING IN THE GALLERY ROTUNDA

DECEMBER 10, 11 & 17, 2016 • NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART



CAROLERS

December 10 • 1:30 and 2:30
West Building Rotunda

Washington Performing Arts
Children of the Gospel Choir
Michele Fowlin, Director
Washington, DC

December 11 • 1:30 and 2:30
West Building Rotunda

Georgetown Day School
Benjamin Hutchens, Director
Washington, DC

December 17 • 1:30 and 2:30
West Building Rotunda

Xaverian High School
Joseph Lopusky, Director
Brooklyn, New York

*The Gallery extends its thanks to the choirs leading
the community caroling this year.*

Rachael Robinson Elmer, *Washington Arch
at Winter Twilight* (detail), 1914, National Gallery
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CAROLS

Jingle Bells

Dashing through the snow in a one-horse
open sleigh,
O'er the fields we go, laughing all the way.
Bells on bobtail ring, making spirits bright,
What fun it is to laugh and sing a sleighing
song tonight.

Refrain: Jingle bells, jingle bells,
jingle all the way! O what fun it is to ride
in a one-horse open sleigh.

(Repeat)

Day or two ago, I thought I'd take a ride,
And soon Miss Fannie Bright was seated
by my side.

The horse was lean and lank, misfortune
was his lot,

He got into a drifted bank, and Wo!

We got upsot.

(Refrain)

Deck the Hall

Deck the hall with boughs of holly,
Fa la la la la, la la la la.

'Tis the season to be jolly,

Fa la la...

Don we now our gay apparel,

Fa la la...

Troll the ancient yuletide carol,

Fa la la...

See the blazing yule before us,

Fa la la...

Strike the harp and join the chorus,

Fa la la...

Follow me in merry measure,

Fa la la...

While I tell of yuletide treasure,

Fa la la...

Fast away the old year passes,

Fa la la...

Hail the new, ye lads and lasses,

Fa la la...

Sing we joyous altogether,

Fa la la...

Heedless of the wind and weather,

Fa la la...

Joseph Rubens Powell, *Winter* (detail), 1835/
1871, National Gallery of Art, Washington,
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Coogan Estabrook

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

Refrain: We wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year!

Good tidings we bring
To you and your kin,
Good tidings for Christmas
And a Happy New Year!

(Refrain)

O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and
triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come and behold him, born the King
of Angels;
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ, the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation!
O sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above:
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;
O come, let us adore him...

The First Noel

The first noel, the angel did say,
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields
where they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel! Born is the king
of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the East, beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.
Noel, Noel...

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 baby awakes,
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 is come!
Let earth receive her king;
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.

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,
Heav'nly hosts sing: "Alleluia!"
Christ the savior is born,
Christ the savior is born.

O Christmas Tree

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
Thy branches are unchanging.

(Repeat)

Not only green when summer's here,
But also when it's cold and drear.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
Thy branches are unchanging.

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
Thou hast a wondrous message.

(Repeat)

The sight of thee at Christmastide
Spreads hope and gladness far and wide.
O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree,
Thou hast a wondrous message.

Jolly Old Saint Nicholas

Jolly old Saint Nicholas,
Lean your ear this way;
Don't you tell a single soul
What I'm going to say;
Christmas Eve is coming soon,
Now, you dear old man,
Whisper what you'll bring to me,
Tell me, if you can.

Johnny wants a pair of skates,
Suzy wants a sled;
Nellie wants a picture book,
Yellow, blue, and red;
Now I think I'll leave to you
What to give the rest;
Choose for me, dear Santa Claus,
What you think is best.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark the herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"
Peace on earth and mercy mild
God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations rise
Join the triumph of the skies
With the angelic host proclaim:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ by highest heav'n adored
Christ the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see
Hail the incarnate Deity
Pleased as man with man to dwell
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Upcoming Events of the Seventy-Fifth Season of The William Nelson Cromwell and F. Lamot Belin Concerts

Tempesta di Mare
Philadelphia Baroque Orchestra
Baroque Holiday Concert
December 11, 4:00
West Building, West Garden Court

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A Christmas Gathering: Féile Na Nollag
December 18, 2:00 and 4:00
West Building, West Garden Court