

# Four SWOSU Choral Ensembles to Present October 12 Concert

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Four Southwestern Oklahoma State University choral groups will present a choral concert this Thursday, October 12, on the Weatherford campus.

The concert will be held at 8:15 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center lobby. Admission is free, and the public is invited.

The SWOSU Choral Ensembles are conducted by the following faculty members: Charles Klingman, The Southwestern Singers; Jonathan Stewart, SWOSU Chamber Choir and Men's Chorus; and Joyce Adams Curtis, Women's Chorus.

The Women's Chorus, accompanied by Jennifer Mansour, will sing four special pieces representing various musical styles. "O Sacrum Convivium," a Holy Communion text, was composed in the year 2004 in the style of Renaissance choral music. Also on the program is Brahms "Ellens Zweiter Gesang" (Ellen's Second Song), one of many compositions written by Brahms for women's voice and horns. Instrumentalists are A.J. Stegall, James Edwards, A.J. Powell and Stephen Gooch on horns and Sarah Stevens and Brittany DeLao on bassoons. Katherine Rollins is soprano soloist.

"Moses Led His People" is a lively piece in the style of a jazz spiritual. The final song "Dream Keeper" is based on a poem of Langston Hughes, the first African-American author to fully support himself. Jeremy Parr on vibraphone and Anna MacDonald on wind chimes will join Jennifer Mansour in accompanying the final selection.

Additional information is available by calling the SWOSU Music Department at 580.774.3708.