

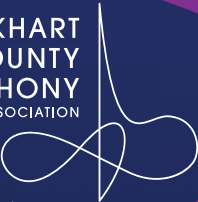


A CLASSICAL CHRISTMAS:
GIRL NAMED TOM
& THE ELKHART COUNTY SYMPHONY

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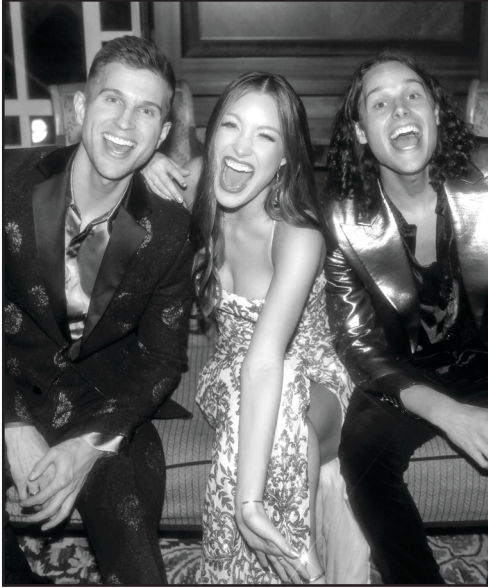


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Our Guest: Girl Named Tom



Girl Named Tom

Three siblings unlock one harmony to unite the world as Girl Named Tom. The trio—Bekah, Joshua, and Caleb Liechty—notably made history as “the only group to ever win NBC’s The Voice.” Along the way, they’ve impressively generated over 25 million of streams across chart-rattling covers such as “River,” “The Chain,” and “Dust in the Wind.” Inking a deal with Republic Records, they served up their debut holiday EP, *One More Christmas*, which reached #1 on the iTunes Charts, and embarked on a massive arena tour supporting Pentatonix for “A Christmas Spectacular.” The sibling trio has captivated millions on television, appearing on The Ellen DeGeneres

Show, singing for the Indy500, and returning for a heart wrenching performance on The Voice Finale a year after their win. In 2024 Girl Named Tom set out on their Joy of Christmas Tour with a special stop in Nashville, TN at the Schermerhorn Symphony Hall where the band was joined by the Nashville Symphony Orchestra and the Nashville Children’s Choir. This year, Girl Named Tom will hit the road once again for the holidays to bring plenty of original holiday songs with a whole lot of heart and inimitable familial harmonies, while they also breathe new life into timeless holiday staples.

“We are so excited to be back in Elkhart on November 23rd celebrating 100 years of The Lerner Theatre and performing with the amazing Elkhart County Symphony!”

**- Bekah, Joshua, and Caleb
Girl Named Tom**



Our Guest: Shout For Joy

Shout For Joy



Shout For Joy has been a fixture in the Goshen community for over four decades. This remarkable ensemble offers students the chance to perform on the phenomenal Sauder stage three times a year, including Goshen College's acclaimed Festival of Carols. Shout For Joy

blends musical artistry with a supportive music education experience. Participants in grades 6-8 sing a variety of repertoire, often in multiple parts with a focus on good tone production and valuable musicianship skills. Shout For Joy and its director Sandy Hill offer students an unforgettable musical experience that will carry them far into the future! For audition info for January 2026 email sandrah@goshen.edu.

Sandy Hill

Shout For Joy Music Director



Shout For Joy director Sandy Hill is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin with a MM degree in vocal performance. She has performed various roles including Julie Jordan in *Carousel*, Sister Mary Amnesia in *Nunsense*, Gretel in *Hansel and Gretel*, and Patience in *Patience (Gilbert and Sullivan)* for which she was nominated for Outstanding Lead Actress by the Austin Circle of Theatres. Sandy also directed the Wausau (WI) Conservatory Choraliers children's choir who performed at the White House in 1997. She was chosen to be a NATS (National

Association Teachers of Singing) Intern in 1997 at Penn State studying with master teacher Jean Westman Gregg. She has taught private voice lessons at various schools since moving here with her family in 2000, including Northridge, Fairfield and Goshen. Her pedagogy emphasizes the importance of vocal technique, the theatrics and staging of songs, a wide variety of repertoire and a positive and contagious enthusiasm for musical excellence. Her students have competed and won in various vocal competitions. Sandy has music directed for Elkhart Civic Theatre, Round Barn Theatre at Amish Acres and Bluegate Theatre. Sandy also serves as adjunct voice instructor at Goshen College.

Meet Our Music Director



Soo Han

Conn-Selmer Endowed Music Director

Dr. Soo Han is the Director of Orchestral Studies at George Mason University's Reva and Sid Dewberry Family School of Music in Fairfax, Virginia; Music Director of the Elkhart County Symphony in Indiana; and a member of the Board of Directors of the Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic. He is a composer and arranger with Hal Leonard, and is also a contributing editor for Essential Elements for Strings.

As an active conductor, Dr. Han has appeared with numerous professional and university orchestras. He is a frequent conductor for all-state, regional, and honor orchestras, appearing in more than 30 states, and has conducted ensembles in Australia, Austria, China, and Thailand. He has produced multiple recordings of complete symphonies, and has premiered several commissioned works for strings and full orchestras. Dr. Han has presented workshops and clinics internationally and for nearly every major national and state music conference, including Australian String Teacher Conference, Maryborough National Australia Conference, The Midwest Clinic, ASTA National Conference, NAFME National Conference, and Ohio University Summer String Teacher Workshop. Prior to his position at George Mason, Dr. Han served as the Director of Orchestral Studies at Baldwin Wallace Conservatory of Music in Berea, Ohio and was the program coordinator and faculty member with Los Angeles Philharmonic's summer YOLA program.

Dr. Han is a Conn-Selmer Educational Clinician, and co-author, contributor, and managing editor for Teaching Music through Performance in Orchestra, Vol. 4, one of the leading orchestra pedagogical resources published by GIA. He is a past president of the Indiana American String Teachers Association and his high school orchestras were nine-time Indiana State School Music Association champions. Having taught in the public schools for fifteen years, he is a passionate supporter of school music programs, and continues to remain active in instrumental classrooms throughout the country.

Soo received his Bachelor of Instrumental Music Education degree from Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music, where he studied piano under Edward Auer. He received his Master of Science in Education from the Indiana University School of Education, and his Doctorate in Orchestral Conducting from the Michigan State University College of Music, where he studied under Kevin Noe. Soo grew up in rural Pennsylvania, and now resides in Washington, D.C. He enjoys distance running, eating amazing food, and traveling near and far with his partner, Gregory, and his faithful canine companion, Lenny.

A Classical Christmas

Soo Han, Conn-Selmer Endowed Music Conductor

Girl Named Tom, National Recording Artist

Shout For Joy, Children's Choir

Christmas Scherzo *arr. Don Sebesky* ECSO

Bring A Torch, Jeannette, Isabella; Oh Come, All Ye Faithful; The Holly and the Ivy;
I Saw Three Ships on Christmas Day; Here We Come A-Wassailing; O Tannenbaum

Jingle Bell Rock/in Around the Christmas Tree ECSO & GNT

No Snow for Christmas ECSO & GNT

Winter Wonderland ECSO & GNT

O Come O Come, Emmanuel ECSO & GNT

Edelweiss GNT

Home for Christmastime GNT

River ECSO & GNT

Tonight is Christmas Eve GNT

INTERMISSION

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer *Johnny Marks* ECSO

Fantasia on Greensleeves *Vaughan Williams* ECSO

What Child is This ECSO & GNT

Refugee King GNT

Lullaby, My Liking GNT

Wichita Lineman ECSO & GNT

Oh Holy Night GNT

One More Christmas ECSO, GNT & Shout For Joy

It's Almost Christmas ECSO, GNT & Shout For Joy

Isn't That What Christmas is For ECSO, GNT & Shout For Joy

ECSO - Elkhart County Symphony Orchestra

GNT - Girl Named Tom

Shout For Joy - Children's Choir

Elkhart County Symphony

Violin I

*Concert Master Underwritten
by Starla Graber & Harley Yoder*

*Violin Section Underwritten by
Dr. Thomas Neat & Dr. Sue Neat*

Jay Pfeifer#

Concertmaster

Andrew Nowicki

Kathleen Kohn

Carrie Ann Carlson

Maggie Nowicki

Stacey Farran

Megan Simmons

Lauren Weirich

Isaiah Fortoso

Helen Cates

Violin II

*Underwritten by Susan Ellington
Legacy Gift*

Karen Hershberger*

Rachel Yoder Penner

Katie Hartzler

Caroline Greaser

Jessica Calhoun

Kayla Miller

Ashlyn Graham

Laura Batt

Kristin Jantzen

Antinia Shirley

Saige Lind

Viola

*Underwritten by
Mark & Kathy Mow*

Rachel Horning #

Tori Petrak

Lyn Buschert

Rosalyn Troiano

Brian Wiebe

Chris Beyler

Cello

*Underwritten by
Mary & Jim Rasp*

Rebecca Yoder*

Denise Kuehner

Jeffery Hatfield

Matthew Roth

Cal Richman

Sara Brown

Martha Barcus

Jenn Harrold

Adrienne Berger

Bass

*Underwritten by
Terry & Janene Clerc*

Magdiel Hernandez*

Kent Dutchersmith

Nathaniel Burgess

Jill Roberts

Anna McVay

Kevin Leazenby

Flute & Piccolo

*Underwritten by
John & Robyn Hill*

Aleksandra Kemble*

Kathy Plank

Dawn Orvis

Oboe & English Horn

Underwritten by Jeanne Kern

Heidi Eash*

Tehillah Moses

Mary Steck

Clarinet

*Underwritten by
Karen Nicholson*

Betsy Jaffee*

Kate Irelan

Tony Rettig

Bassoon

Underwritten by Jill & Chris Erb

Eric Kuehner*

Cindy Ault

Jordan Cavitt

Horn

*Underwritten by
Tom & Dottie Arnold*

Deb Inglefield*

Erin Yoder

Kim Blaha

Austin McBride

Trumpet

*Underwritten by
Mark & Kathy Mow*

Chuck Steck*

Mark McCready

Stan Skinner

Gavin Roberts

Trombone

*Underwritten by
John & Robyn Hill*

Kyle Weirich*

Max Johnson

Jim Grubbs

Tuba

*Underwritten by
Darrel & Candy Yoder*

Tracey Weirich *

Harp

*Underwritten by
Tim & Meg Shelly*

Anna Hagen*

Piano

Luke Norell #

Tympani

*Underwritten by
Wayne & Jackie Stubbs*

Dave Swihart*

Percussion

*Underwritten by
Wayne & Jackie Stubbs*

Glenn Northern*

Jim Catalano

Bob Berheide

Michael Coleman

Josh Bowling

Seth Schwager

Principal *
Acting Principal #

Shout for Joy

Elsa Alstrom Brookhyser
Kaeli Borke
Luke Borke
Isaac Buller
Mila Chereshevskiy
Evelyn Craig
Hazel Craig
Case Cruz
Molly Fridley
Charlie Gall
Marissa Gallegos
Elijah Garcia

Miles Hage
Martha Hanby
Sarah Holds
Miriam Hull
Willow Huser Company
Leif Kingsley
Louisa Kingsley
Haven Kurtz
Nayli Kurtz
Mason Lyles
Stefan Magatti
Ella Miller

Layne Miller
Rhema Miller
Nathaniel Penny
Camilla Perez
Kylie Reed
Abigail Richer
Osvaldo Rinaldo
Alfie Stinson
Elijah Troyer
Frida Vela
Julian Warrener
Avery Willis

Planning Ahead

Northern Expressions

Sunday, February 15, 2026

Our annual concert at Sauder Concert Hall, Goshen College Music Center is February 15, 2026. "Northern Expressions" will feature Aleck Belcher, associate principal bass with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra performing Koussevitsky's Concerto for Double Bass. Also included on the program are two selections by Jan Sibelius: the Karelia Overture Op. 10 and Symphony No. 2 in D major, Op. 43.

Individual tickets for Elkhart County Symphony - Northern Expressions will be sold through the Goshen College Box Office starting on January 5th.



Now is the time to take advantage of a special 3 Concert Ticket Package! This Package offers tickets for the 3 remaining Symphony concerts at 20% off the cost of purchasing tickets separately.

Tickets are available at The Lerner Box Office: 574-293-4469

Adult: \$79.80

Senior: \$75.00

Student: \$48.60

Mezzanine: \$99.00



THE LERNER

100 YEARS

On behalf of the City of Elkhart and the Elkhart County Convention & Visitors Bureau, we are proud to celebrate The Lerner Theatre's 100th Anniversary. For a century, The Lerner has been the heart of quality of place in downtown Elkhart, serving as an iconic community anchor.

As part of "The Lerner Loves You," a free series of events designed to thank the community for its continued support and connection through the past 100 years, we are proud to present this incredible concert.

Today, Girl Named Tom joins the Elkhart County Symphony on this historic stage, creating a collaboration that will become part of The Lerner's rich legacy. Together, they embody the creativity, talent, and community spirit that define both The Lerner and Elkhart County.

For generations, The Lerner has been more than a theatre. It has been a living canvas for every form of art—music, dance, theatre, film, and visual expression—a place where stories come alive and where artists and audiences alike have found inspiration.

This milestone is a celebration of everything The Lerner represents: art that connects us, performances that move us, and a community that continues to inspire one another. Thank you for being part of this moment and for helping us celebrate 100 years of artistry, passion, and togetherness in Downtown Elkhart.



Rod Roberson
Mayor
City of Elkhart



Jon Hunsberger
Executive Director
Elkhart County CVB