

Kroeze to perform first recital in Wingate Memorial Carillon Series

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Anne Kroeze, an award-winning carillonneur from The Netherlands, will open the annual Wingate Memorial Summer Carillon Series at Alfred University with a performance at 7 p.m. Tuesday (July 5) at the Davis Memorial Carillon. He will open his recital with "Prelude No. 5" by Matthias van den Gheyn. Other selections include "Une Jeune Filette" from the De Sany Carillon Book; a medley of American songs - "Yankee Doodle," "America the Beautiful" and "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground" - arranged by M. Myhre; selections from "Serenade I" by Ronald Barnes; and a medley called "Love, American Style," that includes favorites such as "Beautiful Dreamer" by Stephen Foster; "I Dream of Jeannie" and "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." Kroeze will also play "Gaudi's Chimneys: Whimsical Dances for Carillon" by John Courter and will conclude with "Sonata in D" by Isaac Albeniz. Kroeze is carillonneur in Emmeloord, Leeuwarden and Epe, and organist in Emmeloord, Kampen and Vollenhove. In Vollenhove, he plays a baroque organ dating from 1686; the organ at Kampen dates from the 1500s. He is also an accompanist on organ and piano for three choirs in The Netherlands, and toured Canada in September 2000 and September 2001 as a choral accompanist on organ and piano. His organ accompaniment may be heard on two choral CDs. Kroeze studied organ, church music and piano at the conservatories of Zwolle and Utrecht, and studied carillon at the Dutch Carillon School under teachers Arie Abbenes and Bernard Winsemius. He has won several prizes at carillon competitions, including first prizes at the International Carillon Competition in Springfield, IL, in July 2000 and at the carillon competition in Winterswijk, The Netherlands, in September 2001. Since June 2002, Kroeze has been a carillonneur member of the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America and has made five carillon concert tours in the United States. The Wingate Memorial Summer Carillon Series honors the memory of Dr. Ray Winthrop Wingate, who served as a professor of music at Alfred University for 56 years. When the bells of the Davis Memorial Carillon were installed in 1937, he was named University Carillonneur, a position he held until his death in 1968 at the age of 82. Widely known as a carillonneur, Wingate arranged more than 5,000 selections for the carillon and composed nine suites for the instrument. He was a member and president of the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America. The Wingate Memorial Summer Carillon Series is funded by the Margaret Merrill and Ray W. Wingate Memorial Carillon Foundation. Margaret Wingate Rase, a long-time Alfred resident, is trustee of the Foundation.