

## **Performing Arts faculty concert dedicated to trumpet, organ**

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Alfred University (AU) Performing Arts faculty, led by Dr. Christopher Foster, professor of music, will perform during an evening dedicated to music for trumpet and organ Saturday, Jan. 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Seventh Day Baptist Church, Alfred. The performance, at 5 Church St., is free and open to the public.

Foster, predominantly on trumpet, will be joined by Laurel Buckwalter, University carillonneur and technical specialist in music, on the church's 23 rank Moller pipe organ; Dr. Luane Crosby, soprano, professor of vocal music; and Eugenia Meltzer, on cello, who teaches private violin and piano lessons. Foster will also use a variety of instruments and mutes throughout the recital

Selections will span from the Baroque period through the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Pieces will include "Prelude" from "Te Deum" by Charpentier; three movements from "7 Arie con Tromba Sola" by Scarlatti, featuring Crosby and Meltzer; "Adagio for Trumpet and Orchestra" by Verdi; "Aria des clochettes (Bell Song)" from "Lakme" by Delibes; "The Other Voices of Trumpet" by Pinkham; "Metamorphosis" by Nelhybel, and "Warriors Through Time" by Broadstock.

Foster, director of bands at AU, holds a doctor of musical arts degree in trumpet performance and wind conducting from the University of North Texas as well as master of music and bachelor of music education degrees from the University of Nevada-Reno. This recital marks his return from a one-semester sabbatical spent practicing his trumpet more than is possible while teaching full-time.

In addition to her carillon duties, Buckwalter teaches piano classes and lessons and provides accompaniment for choruses and recitals. She earned a master of science degree in education from AU and a bachelor of music degree from Houghton College. She is a member of the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America.

Crosby earned a doctor of musical arts degree in vocal performance from the Cleveland Institute of Music/Case Western Reserve University, and bachelor's and master's degrees in music education from the State University of New York at Fredonia.

Meltzer retired to Alfred after a career building a large string program at the Avoca School District, near Chicago. She earned a master of music degree in violin performance from the University of Wisconsin and a bachelor of music degree from the University of Illinois.