## **TOWER**

Architect: Milton B. Medary (Philadelphia)

**Purpose:** To house the carillon; serve as a centerpiece for the Gardens; the private

use of the Bok family

**Built:** 1927-1929

**Height:** 205 feet (62.5 meters)

**Weight:** 5,500 tons (5,000 metric tons)

**Structure:** Steel frame with brick walls; outer facing

of pink and gray Georgia marble and Florida coquina, a limestone of shell and

coral fragments

**Foundation:** 118 reinforced concrete piles, 13-24 feet

(4-7 meters) underground with a concrete

cap of 2.5 feet (0.8 meter)

**Sculpture:** Lee Lawrie (New York City); herons at the

top, eagles at the base of the bellchamber;

all sculptures were carved on-site

Colorful Grilles near the top:

Ceramic tiles designed by J.H. Dulles

Allen (Philadelphia)

Brass Door and Wrought-iron Gates with Birds:

Samuel Yellin (Philadelphia); depicts the

Biblical story of Creation

Inscription under the Sundial:

This Singing Tower with its adjacent Sanctuary was dedicated and presented to the American people by Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States,

February 1, 1929.

## **CARILLON**

Bellfounder: John Taylor Bellfounders, Ltd.

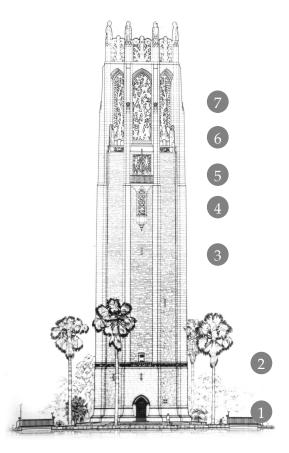
(Loughborough, England)

**Size:** 60 bronze bells

**Bell weight:** Smallest bell at 16 lbs.

Largest bell at 11+ tons (10+ metric tons) Total of 63+ tons (57+ metric tons)

## INSIDE THE **SINGING TOWER**



- 1. Founder's Room
- 2. Chao Research Center (Archives)
- 3. Maintenance Workshop
- 4. Anton Brees Carillon Library
- 5. Carillonneur's Studio
- 6. Keyboard Room
- 7. Carillon (60 bells)

## Is the Tower ever open to the Public?

Members at the Brass Door level and above receive an exclusive tour of the Founder's Room.

## **CLOCK MUSIC**

Announcing the hour strike:

Ring, Bells, Ring		Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart	
9:00	Blow Away The Morning Has Broken	•	z England Ireland
9:30	The Rainbow Connec	ction	William & Ascher
10:00	Prelude No. 3 The Old Refrain Ballet of the Ducklin		ias vanden Gheyn Fritz Kreisler Robert Lannoy
10:30	Sketch for Carillon	Ka	therine M. Warne
11:00	Amelia's Story		Catalonia
11:30	Listen to the Mockin	g Bird	Anonymous
12:00	Allegretto for Flute C Sarabande The King's Majesty	Clock	Franz J. Haydn Francis Poulenc Graham George
12:30	The Street Where You	Live	Frederick Loewe
1:00	CONCERT		
2:00	Roses White and Ros	es Red S	Sir Arthur Sullivan
2:30	The Swan	C	amille Saint-Saens
3:00	CONCERT		
4:00	America, The Beautif	`ul	Samuel A. Ward
4:30	Tenting Tonight		Walter Kittredge
5:00	Sunrise, Sunset		Jerry Bock
5:30	Lead, Kindly Light		John B. Dyke

# DAILY CARILLON MUSIC MARCH 25 - 27, 2024

Live Carillon Concerts at 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.





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## Monday at 1:00p.m.

Live Performance by Geert D'hollander

#### Music from the Classical Era

Sonatina III for Guitar, Op. 71 Mauro Giuliani Andantino – Tempo di Marcia 1781-1829 Scherzo – Finale

#### Contemporary North American Carillon Music

From "Three Short Pieces" 1964 Gary White b. 1937 Etude & Vigil

#### Salon Music

Loves' Sorrow Fritz Kreisler 1875-1962

#### Improvisation on hits from the 30's

## Monday at 3:00p.m.

Live Performance by Geert D'hollander

#### Romantic Selection from the Belgian Carillon School

Preludium Quasi Una Fantasia

Jef Van Hoof 1886-1959

Menuet and Trio 1933

Fairy-Tale 1953

Staf Nees *1901-1965* Jef Rottiers *1904-1985* 

#### Two Compositions by the Performer

"Blessing and Honor and Glory"
"Be Thou my Vision"

from "Hymn Preludes for the Kirk"

#### Improvisation

## Tuesday at 1:00p.m.

Live Performance by Geert D'hollander

#### From the Tower's Archives

The Death of Ase Edvard Grieg 1843-1905
The Old Refrain Fritz Kreisler 1875-1962

#### From the Berghuis Manuscript Carillon Collection

Sonata in F Major Ioannes Berghuis Allegro – Cantabile 1724-1801 Sonata in G Major Johann A. Just Allegro – Grazioso – Menuet – Allegro 1750-1791

#### **Improvisation**

## Tuesday at 3:00p.m.

Live Performance by Geert D'hollander

#### Gershwin Selection 1898-1937

The Man I love
'S Wonderful
Bess you is my Woman now
It ain't necessarily so

#### **Original Carillon Compositions**

Andante Ronald Barnes

from Concerto Grosso I, 1991 1927-1997

"Hear the Tolling of the Bells" Robert B. Kleinschmidt

from "Second Suite, The Bells", 1934 1910-1959

Partita III, "The Harmony of Zion" John Knox

b. 1932

#### Improvisation

## Wednesday at 1:00p.m.

Live Performance by Annie Gao

#### **Early Keyboard Music**

"Allegro con Spirito" Joseph Woelfl 1773-1812
from Piano Sonata in C Major arr. G. D'hollander
Sonata a Cimbalo Solo S. van Noordt 1659-1705
arr. B. Winsemius
Ciacona Geert D'hollander

b. 1965

#### Improvisation on Hits

Fly Me to the Moon Bart Howard 1915-2004 Cheek to Cheek Irving Berlin 1888-1989

## Wednesday at 3:00p.m.

Live Performance by Annie Gao

**Andante** Joh. Seb. Bach *1685-1750* from the Italian Concerto arr. G. D'hollander

#### Variations in Flemish Romantic Style

Passacaglia Jos Lerinckx 1920-2000
Variations on a Theme by Paganini Benoit J. Franssen
1893-1978
"Ave Maria" Franz Schubert 1797-1828
from Ellens Gesang III arr. T. Hurd



## Annie Gao Singing Tower Carillon Fellow

Annie hails from the sunny suburbs of Southern California, where her musical studies began with the piano at age five. She stumbled across the carillon

in college by accident, fell in love with it, and lived under it for 3 years as an avid member of the Yale University Guild of Carillonneurs. A computer scientist by training, Annie also enjoys competitive ping pong, reading, running, and brainteasers. She does not like spiders, but imagines she will be forced out of this phobia soon.



## Geert D'hollander Carillon Director

Geert D'hollander was named Bok Tower Gardens' fourth fulltime carillonneur in October

2012 and is one of the finest in the world. He has studied piano, chamber music, choral and orchestral direction, fugue, and composition at the Royal Conservatory in Antwerp, Belgium, and carillon at the Royal Carillon School in Mechelen, Belgium.

He has taken first prize in more than 30 international competitions for carillon or composition. In 1997, Geert succeeded Ronald Barnes as University Carillonist and Professor of Carillon at the Department of Music at UC Berkeley. In 2008, he was awarded the "Berkeley Medal" for "Distinguished Service to the Carillon."