

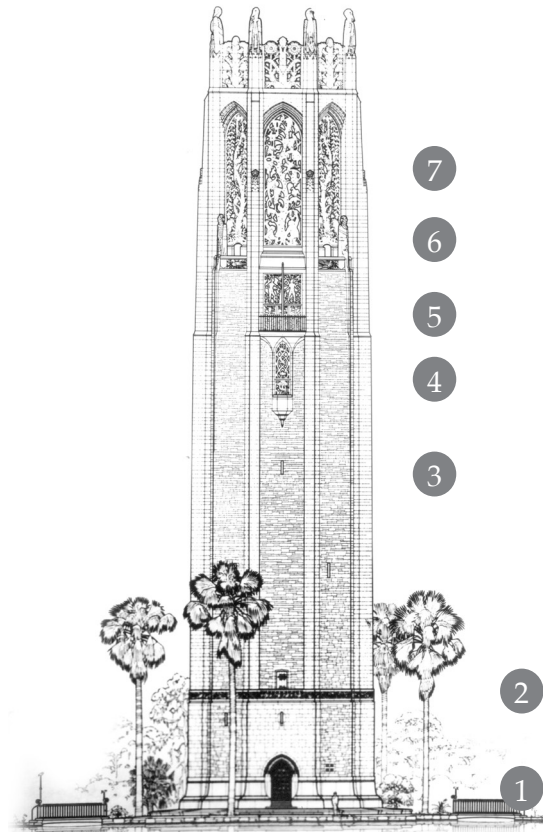
## TOWER

- 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 can receive an exclusive tour of the Founder's Room.

## CLOCK MUSIC

Announcing the hour strike:

**Lake Wales Nocturne** (*excerpt*) Johan Franco

9:00 **Prelude** Johann Sebastian Bach

9:30 **Sarabande** (*for carillon*) Benoit Franssen

10:00 **Somber Pavane** (*for carillon*) Ronald Barnes

10:30 **Andante** Joseph H. Fiocco

11:00 **Spring Morning** (*for carillon*) Geert D'hollander  
**Sorrowing**

11:30 **Andante** (*for carillon*) Ronald Barnes

12:00 **Prelude VI** (*for carillon*) Matthias vanden Gheyn

12:30 **Chaconne** \* Auguste Durant

1:00 **CONCERT**

2:00 **Dreaming** (*for carillon*) Geert D'hollander

2:30 **Andante** (*for carillon*) Ioannes de Grujters

3:00 **CONCERT**

4:00 **Waltz** Edvard Grieg

4:30 **Cortege** (*for carillon*) John Courter

5:00 **La Volta** William Byrd

5:30 **Solveig's Song** \* Edvard Grieg

Adaptations for carillon of melodies or of music written for other instruments have been made by the recitalist, except for those arrangers identified by the following:

\* Anton Brees

## DAILY CARILLON MUSIC

**MAY 8 - 11, 2025**

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



**BOK TOWER  
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## Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Geert D'hollander*

### Contemporary North American Carillon Music

From “Three Short Pieces” 1964 Gary White *b. 1937*  
Etude & Vigil

### Improvisation on a hit from the 20's

### Romantic Selection from the Belgian Carillon School

Preludium Quasi Una Fantasia 1927 Van Hoof  
1886-1959

Menuet and Trio 1933 Staf Nees 1901-1965

Fairy-Tale 1953 Jef Rottiers 1904-1985

### Improvisation on hits from the 30's

## Thursday at 3:00p.m.

*Live Performance by Geert D'hollander*

### Improvisation on a hit from the 40's

### Two Arias by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

*Adagio from the “Italian Concerto”, BWV 971*

**Aria “on the G String”** *from the Suite, BWV 1068*

### From the Tower's Archives

Sonatina Daniel G. Steibelt

Allegro 1765-1823

### Moderato con espressione

### Improvisation on a hit from the 50's

## Friday at 1:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Geert D'hollander*

### Music from the Classical Era

**Sonatina III for Guitar, Op. 71** Mauro Giuliani  
Andantino 1781-1829

Tempo di Marcia

Scherzo

Finale

### Two Compositions by the Performer

“Blessing and Honor and Glory”

“Be Thou my Vision”  
*from “Hymn Preludes for the Kirk”*

### Improvisation

## Friday at 3:00 p.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

### The Berghuis Manuscript Collection 1741-1801

Sonata in F Major Ioannes Berghuis

Allegro – Cantabile 1724-1801

Sonata in G Major Johann A. Just

Allegro – Grazioso 1750-1791

Menuet – Allegro

### Improvisation

## Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

*Historic Recording by Milford Myhre*

### Music from France

Carillon Prelude No. 1 1935 Robert Lannoy

Minuet *from Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme* J. B. Lully

Pavane *from Style Renaissance* Paul Wachs  
arr. Jacques Lannoy

### Instrumental Transcriptions

Violin Fugue Johann S. Bach  
arr. Ronald Barnes

Allegretto for piano Franz-Joseph Haydn  
arr. M. Myhre

### Hymns arr. M. Myhre

Ode to Joy Ludwig van Beethoven

Christ is Made the Sure Henry Smart

## Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

*Historic Recording by Bill De Turk*

Prelude for Harpsichord George Fr. Händel

### Romantic Selection

Welcome, Sweet Springtime Anton Rubinstein

Country Gardens Percy Grainger

Sonnerie *from Serenade II for carillon* R. Barnes

*commissioned in 1979 by Bok Tower Gardens*

*dedicated to M. Myhre & Nellie Lee Bok*

### Irish Music

When Irish Eyes are Smiling

Be Thou my Vision O Lord of my Heart

Paddy Whack *jig*

O Danny Boy

## Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Geert D'hollander*

### Mother's Day

### Improvisation on hits from the 30's

### Romantic Sounds from Classical Composers

Menuet *from String Quintet No.5* L. Boccherini  
1743-1805

Andante *from Piano Concerto No. 21* W.A.Mozart  
1756-1791

### Songs for Mamas

Mama Said The Shirelles

The Wind Beneath my Wings Bette Middler

You Raise me Up Josh Groban

### Disney Medley

## Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Geert D'hollander*

### Mother's Day

### Improvisation on hits from the 30's

### Romantic Music from the Contemporary Era

Walking on Clouds 2006 G. D'hollander *b. 1965*

Sicilienne & Barcarolle *Serenade I* R. Barnes 1927-1997

### Songs for Mamas

Because You Loved Me Céline Dion

Julia The Beatles

A Song for Mama Boyz II Men

Hero Enrique Iglesias

### Disney Medley