

## TOWER

<b>Architect:</b>	Milton B. Medary (Philadelphia)
<b>Purpose:</b>	To house the carillon; serve as a centerpiece for the Gardens; the private use of the Bok family
<b>Built:</b>	1927-1929
<b>Height:</b>	205 feet (62.5 meters)
<b>Weight:</b>	5,500 tons (5,000 metric tons)
<b>Structure:</b>	Steel frame with brick walls; outer facing of pink and gray Georgia marble and Florida coquina, a limestone of shell and coral fragments
<b>Foundation:</b>	118 reinforced concrete piles, 13-24 feet (4-7 meters) underground with a concrete cap of 2.5 feet (0.8 meter)
<b>Sculpture:</b>	Lee Lawrie (New York City); herons at the top, eagles at the base of the bellchamber; all sculptures were carved on-site
<b>Colorful Grilles near the top:</b>	Ceramic tiles designed by J.H. Dulles Allen (Philadelphia)

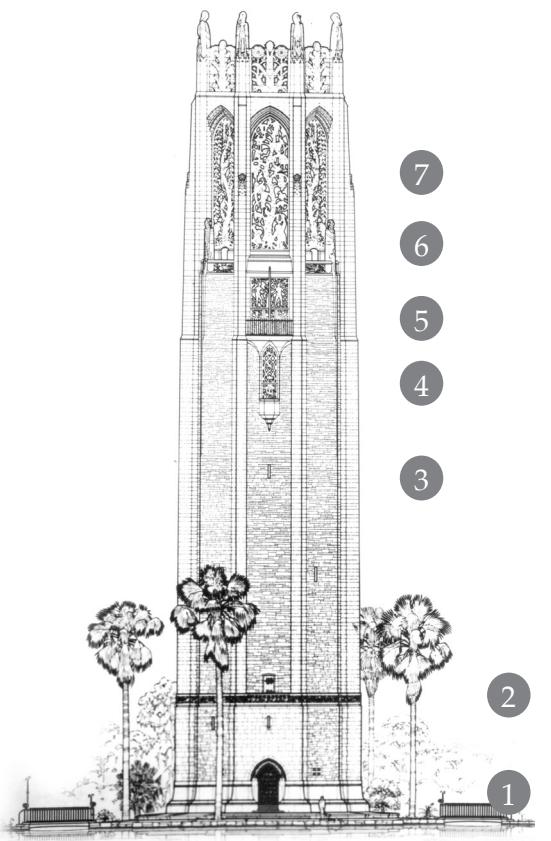
<b>Brass Door and Wrought-iron Gates with Birds:</b>
Samuel Yellin (Philadelphia); depicts the Biblical story of Creation

<b>Inscription under the Sundial:</b>
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

<b>Bellfounder:</b>	John Taylor Bellfounders, Ltd. (Loughborough, England)
<b>Size:</b>	60 bronze bells
<b>Bell weight:</b>	Smallest bell at 16 lbs. Largest bell at 11+ tons (10+ metric tons) Total of 63+ tons (57+ metric tons)

## INSIDE THE SINGING TOWER



### 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:

**Ring, Bells, Ring** Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

9:00 **Blow Away the Morning Dew** England  
**Morning Has Broken** Ireland

9:30 **The Rainbow Connection** William & Ascher

10:00 **Prelude No. 3** Matthias vanden Gheyn  
**The Old Refrain** Fritz Kreisler  
**Ballet of the Ducklings** Robert Lannoy

10:30 **Sketch for Carillon** Katherine M. Warne

11:00 **Amelia's Story** Catalonia

11:30 **Listen to the Mocking Bird** Anonymous

12:00 **Allegretto for the Sarabande** Franz J. Haydn  
**The King's Majesty** Francis Poulenc  
Graham George

12:30 **The Street Where You Live** Frederick Loewe

1:00 **CONCERT**

2:00 **Roses White and Roses Red** Sir Arthur Sullivan

2:30 **The Swan** Camille Saint-Saens

3:00 **CONCERT**

4:00 **America, The Beautiful** 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

JANUARY 15 - 18, 2026

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



**BOK TOWER  
GARDENS**



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## Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Geert D'hollander*

### Music from the Baroque Era

Prelude in E Flat Major	Johann S. Bach 1685-1750
From Sonata in F Major	Ioannes Berghuis 1724-1801

### Improvisation

### Two compositions by the performer

“Anzac Echoes” 2015	Geert D'hollander b. 1965
“Take a break” 2011	

## Thursday at 3:00p.m.

*Live Performance by Geert D'hollander*

### Prelude No. 6

M. vanden Gheyn 1721-1785

### Romantic Belgian Carillon Music

“Campanella”	Geo Clement 1922-1967
“Suite Archaique”	
Rigaudon	
Pavane	
Menuet	

### Manuscripts from the Tower arr. A. Brees

“The Old Refrain”	Fritz Kreisler 1875-1962
“A Little Girl’s Song”	Auguste Dupont 1827-1890

### Improvisation

## Friday at 1:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Geert D'hollander*

### Prelude No. IV

M. vanden Gheyn  
1721-1785

### North American Carillon Music

Introduction and Sicilienne	Ronald Barnes 1927-1997
Hear the Tolling of the Bells	R. Kleinschmidt 1910-1959

### Manuscripts from the Brees Library arr. A. Brees

Fantasia No. I for piano	Peter Benoit 1834-1901
Golden Crown	Spiritual

## Friday at 3:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Wesley Arai\**

### FLORIDA CARILLON FESTIVAL

#### Mountain Music

Summit Hill Bells 2012	Aaron D. Miller b. 1972
Mountain Pastorale 1980	Laura H. Whipple 1920-2005
“Climb Ev’ry Mountain”	R. Rodgers 1902-1979 arr. Richard Giszcak

#### To the Sun and the Moon

Here Comes the Sun	G. Harrison, arr. Carson Landry
Another Day of Sun	La La Land Hurwitz, Pasek & Paul arr. Joey Brink
Clair de Lune	Cl. Debussy 1862-1918, arr Winsemius
Moon River	H. Mancini 1924-1994, arr. Giszcak

#### Shall We Dance?

Dance of Dreams 2016	Liesbeth Janssens b. 1971
Pavane	Gabriel Fauré 1845-1924, arr. Wesley Arai
The Second Waltz	D. Shostakovich 1906-1975 arr Steijns

\*Learn more about our guest carillonneur on the next page.

## Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Rowan Shih  
Blanchard Carillon Fellow*

### Romantic-style Music

Vocalise	Sergei Rachmaninov 1873-1943 arr. Jo Haazen
Prelude Romantique	Frank Steijns b. 1970
Ballade	Jef Rottiers 1904-1985
Swinging Suite	Geert D'hollander b. 1965
A Sweet soft Samba	
Irish Air	
A Crazy Ritornello	
Triumphant March	

## Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Rowan Shih  
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### Invocation

Joey Brink  
b. 1988

### Londonderry Air

Irish folk melody  
arr. S. S. Warner

### Melody for Kinyaa’ani

Connor Chee  
b. 1987

### Carillon Music from Japan

The Carillon Dancing in the Sky Mitsuyo Moriya  
b. 1963

Inori no ne

Hiroatsu Itamura  
b. 1975

Dream for Carillon

Naoto Ohmasa  
b. 1954

The Phoenix Descends on the Tower Naoto Ohmasa

## Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Rowan Shih  
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### Baroque Music

Che si puo fare	Barbara Strozzi 1619-1677 arr. Jennifer Lory-Moran
Preludio Coucou	Matthias van den Gheyn 1721-1785
Passacaglia from Uranie	Johann K. F. Fischer 1656-1746 arr. Winsemius & Abbenes

### Magical Music of Oz

‘Somewhere Over the Rainbow H. Arlen 1905-1986  
arr. Todd Fair

No One Mourns the Wicked

St. Schwartz  
b. 1948

For Good

arr. Joey Brink  
Goodbye Yellow Brick Road  
Elton John  
arr. Rowan Shih

## Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

*Live Performance by Rowan Shih  
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Vocalise Sergei Rachmaninov 1873-1943  
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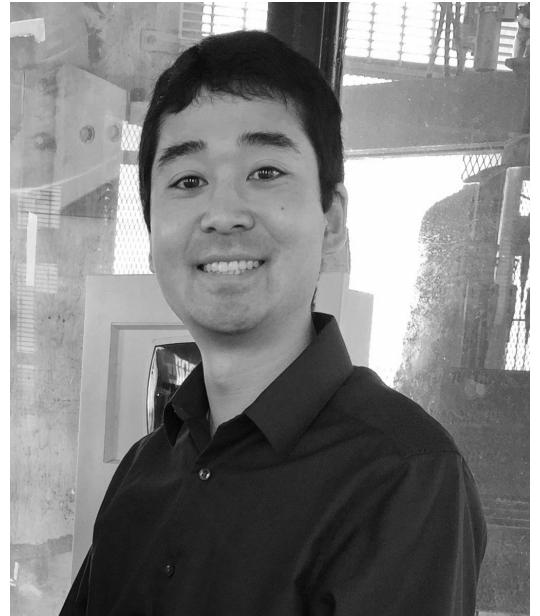
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# MEET THE CARILLONNEURS

## A Tradition of Excellence

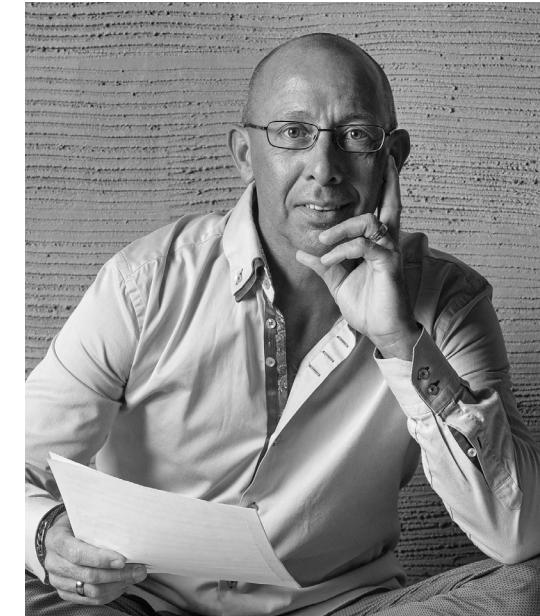


**Wesley Arai** serves as University Carillonist at the University of California, Santa Barbara, where he performs regularly on the 61-bell Storke Tower carillon and maintains an active carillon studio. He studied carillon with Jeff Davis at the University of California, Berkeley and has passed the advancement examination of the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America.

An active recitalist, Wesley has performed extensively across the United States and abroad and is an annual recitalist at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Spokane, Washington and is a frequent recitalist at Christ Cathedral in Garden Grove, California. Wesley's day job is as an actuary.



**Rowan Shih**, Blanchard Carillon Fellow, is a senior at the University of Chicago, where he studies East Asian Languages and Civilizations and creative writing, with special interests in Chinese-American literature and ghost stories. A native of New York City, he began playing carillon as a first-year student under the instruction of Alex Johnson and achieved carillonneur status from the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America in 2024. Outside of music and academics, Rowan enjoys cross-stitching, contemplative walks by water, and photography.



**Geert D'hollander** was named Bok Tower Gardens' fourth full-time 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.

