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Highly Touted Soprano to Perform at University of Saint Mary

7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 22, 2005



Kimberley Bollinger
will perform at 7:30
p.m., Sunday, May 22
at the University of
Saint Mary.

(Leavenworth, Kan.)— The University of Saint Mary Fine Arts—Music Department presents a performance with internationally recognized soprano, Kimberley Bollinger at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 22 in the Mead Hall Walnut Room. Admission is free and open to the public.

Bollinger's program includes songs and arias by Faure, Brahms, Wagner and Puccini. She currently resides in the Leavenworth area while her husband is assigned to Fort Leavenworth.

A singer since age 12, Bollinger's current repertoire includes Tosca, Desdemona (*Otello*), Leonora (*Il Trovatore*), Ariadne (*Ariadne auf Naxos*), and Senta (*Der Fliegende Hollander*). She has most recently been heard as Tosca with Dona Ana Lyric Opera in El Paso, Texas and in concert with Symphonic Workshops in the Czech Republic.

Bollinger recently returned to the U.S. after five years' residence in Germany, where she pursued her career while managing a household consisting of four daughters and a U. S. Army officer husband who was deployed eighty percent of the time. In Germany, she performed in numerous concerts, appearing in venues as the soprano soloist in Handel's *Messiah* and offering recitals of Strauss lieder. She also continued to develop her technique, dramatic presentation, and repertoire of Verdi, Strauss, and Wagner heroines under the tutelage of Sigurd Hennemann (conductor, Linz Opera) and Ellen Maddaloni.

Call 682-5151 extension 6460 for more information.

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