

# Snake River Handbell Conference

February 7-8, 2020

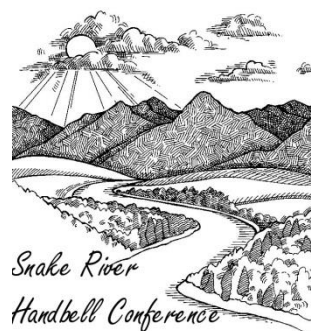
Central Gym

1415 6<sup>th</sup> Street South

(NW corner of 15<sup>th</sup> Ave South & 6<sup>th</sup> St South)

Nampa, Idaho

**Clinician: David Harris**



Come and join many other handbell musicians ringing six great pieces under the direction of David Harris. The pieces are level 2-3 incorporating various music styles, techniques, and seasons. The weekend begins with set-up Friday, February 7 in the late afternoon with the opening rehearsal at 6:30 pm. It continues Saturday beginning at 9:00 am and concludes with a concert for the community at 6:30 pm.

Cost is \$55 per person postmarked on or before December 6, 2019 and \$65 after December 6. This includes all conference activities plus snacks on Saturday. A \$10 discount is offered for 2 or more from the same immediate family. The first family member pays full price; each additional person from the family is \$10 less.



David M. Harris has been the director of The Raleigh Ringers since January 1990, when he was instrumental in the formation of the group. David is a graduate of The Pennsylvania State University and has studied conducting privately with Dr. William A. Payn at Bucknell University. David was the director of the handbell program at Hudson Memorial Presbyterian Church, and has served Handbell Musicians of America as North Carolina State Chairman and as Area III Treasurer. He chaired the national committee that planned the very first Community/Professional Handbell Choir event, Pinnacle 2000, which was held in Las Vegas, Nevada. David is in increasing demand as a clinician and guest conductor, and has led several national Handbell Musicians of America events as well as serving as the primary handbell clinician for denominational music events, such as those held at Montreat, Lake Junaluska and Lutheridge. After growing up in the Northeast, David moved to Raleigh with his wife, Kristina. Dave and Kris have three grown children and one granddaughter.

- **Lunch on Saturday** – You may order a lunch with a choice of chicken salad, roast beef, ham, or turkey wrap. Each lunch comes with chips, fruit cup, brownies and drink for \$7. You are also welcome to bring your own lunch. The deadline for ordering and paying for a lunch is Friday, January 17, 2020.
- **Driving Directions to Central Gym** – Take I-84 exit 38 and head south toward Nampa on Garrity Boulevard. Turn left at the stop light at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Go over the railroad tracks (high bridge going over them) and turn right on 6<sup>th</sup> Street South. In one block the gym will be on your right.

- **Membership in Handbell Musicians of America (AGEHR)** – You will need to be a member in some manner. Either your organization/church belongs or you have your own membership. To join, go to [www.handbellmusicians.org](http://www.handbellmusicians.org) and click the “click to join” ribbon or you may simply add the \$95 membership fee to your registration. One membership is good for all ringers from that organization.
- **Concert Dress** – For the concert, please wear whatever you typically wear when you perform.
- **Placement on the Ringing Floor** - This will be determined by the postmark of your registration. First come first served whenever possible. It is most important that your exact length of space needed is properly noted.
- **Showcase Concerts** – There are two opportunities for your choir or ensemble to perform – after lunch on Saturday for all the ringers or during the evening concert. Please fill out the section on page 2 of the registration form.
- **Do we have to ring all the pieces?** No. If you find a piece or two more challenging than you want to tackle, you are welcome to sit and listen to the rehearsal. However, remember that a massed setting is a good place to challenge yourselves. Others are playing the same notes so if you miss some of yours, no problem.
- **Do we need to purchase and rehearse the music before coming?** Yes! The purpose is to work together polishing the pieces as one large ensemble. Learn the notes beforehand then make gorgeous music at the conference.
- **A block of rooms has been held at the Holiday Inn Express** in Nampa for February 7 & 8 at \$94.99 per night plus taxes. You may reserve a room by contacting the hotel at 208-466-4045 and mention you are part of the group **Snake River Handbell**. Deadline for this rate is 1/7/2020.

## **Make plans now to attend the 6<sup>h</sup> Annual Snake River Handbell Conference!!!**

### **For More Information Please Contact:**

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This event is sponsored by Handbell Musicians of America, dedicated to uniting people through the musical art of handbell and handchime ringing. [www.handbellmusicians.org](http://www.handbellmusicians.org).

### **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:**

#### **Friday, February 7**

|         |                                |          |   |
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| 4:00 pm | Gym open for marking floor     | 12:45 pm | Showcase concert  |
| 4:45 pm | Registration and set-up begins | 1:15 pm  | Rehearsal with Break                                    |
|         | Dinner on your own             | 4:30ish  | Dinner on your own; evening showcase concert rehearsals |
| 6:30 pm | Opening bell and rehearsal     |          |   |
| 8:30 pm | Time to sleep                  | 6:15 pm  | In place for concert                                    |

#### **Saturday, February 8**

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| 8:00 am    | Gym opens for afternoon showcase concert rehearsals | 6:30 pm | Concert |
| 9:00 am    | Rehearsal with Break                                | 7:30 pm | Pack up |
| 12:00 noon | Lunch   |         |         |