

## SAS Celebrates the Holidays with a Bevy of Arts Performances



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The School community has enjoyed a number of holiday-related arts performances throughout the month of December, many of which are available for viewing and listening online.

St. Andrew's dance students kicked us off with their annual performance of *The Nutcracker* on December 3, which you can watch on our [Livestream channel](#).

At School Meeting on Thursday, December 7, the Jazz Ensemble performed a mini-concert of two songs, including "All I Want for Christmas Is You" with vocals by Althea Clark '19; you can watch or listen on our [Vimeo page](#).

At the same School Meeting, students taking Chinese classes sang "Jingle Bells" in Chinese ("Ding Ding Dang" or 叮叮当) to the entire School, which you can also enjoy on [Vimeo](#).

The following Saturday evening, the School Orchestra gave a concert of sleigh-ride themed classical works that included a standout bassoon solo by Danny Lee '19. Watch or listen on our [Livestream channel](#).

On Sunday, December 10, St. Andrew's Andrean Ensemble (formerly known as the Choral Scholars) and Choir performed in the School's annual Service of Lessons & Carols. Students and faculty members read nine Biblical lessons tracing the story of the birth of Jesus, and we sang hymns and carols throughout. You can watch or listen to a recording of the service on our [Livestream channel](#). Don't miss the rousing organ postlude of



George Bizet's "March of the Kings", arranged for four hands, by School organist Odile Jacobs and Auggie Segger '19.

Finally, on Wednesday, December 13, the Andrean Ensemble and Noxontones traveled to Philadelphia to perform with the Orpheus Club—the oldest men's chorus in the country—at the Philadelphia Academy of Music 2017 Christmas Concert. You can watch two videos of two of the songs Saints performed—["O Come All Ye Faithful"](#) and ["Carol of the Bells"](#)—on our Vimeo page, both taken by SAS science faculty Dan O'Connell, husband of Choral Music Program Director Quinn Kerrane (seen conducting in the sparkly top in the videos). Chris Berl P'17,'19 also took [this YouTube video](#) of their performance of "Carol of the Bells," which was accompanied by Noelle Yoo '18 on violin.

"We were all united through the power of song." said Auggie Segger '19 after the concert. "Looking back on this special night, I think we have all realized how important our individual gifts and talents are and how meaningful it is to share these gifts with the world."