

# **Blackburn College To Host “A Legacy Of Life” Musical Performance Sunday, April 3**

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CARLINVILLE - The Blackburn College Department of Music & Theatre will host a special choral program with the theme “A Legacy of Life” on Sunday, April 3, 2022, at 2:00 pm in Bothwell Auditorium. Students asked their families, peers, and friends what it means to live a well-lived life. After collecting the responses, Dr. Joseph Welch, professor of Music, used these quotes and thoughts to develop a choral program with selections that capture the essence of living meaningful lives. This event will include

performances by Blackburn Voices and College Choir with support from conductor Welch and pianist Dr. See Tsai Chan, adjunct professor of Music.

Tim Conner, senior Theatre major and student concert producer, encouraged the community to support the work students and faculty have put into designing this unique performance. “In a time where many people's lives have been dramatically affected by a global pandemic, it has been nice to reflect on what makes life truly meaningful, not only for the people in our community but also for ourselves,” Conner elaborated.

Reservations and masks are required for the event. To reserve your tickets or for more information, contact the Music Office at (217) 854-5704 or email [music@blackburn.edu](mailto:music@blackburn.edu).

Following the choir concert, a production of the musical “Songs of Cole Porter” will mark the final Music & Theatre events for Blackburn’s 2021-2022 season. "Songs of Cole Porter" will premiere Friday, April 29th. A number of fall events have already been added to the calendar, including the Blackburn Music Showcase (September 23), Fall Play (November 4-6), and the annual Christmas at Blackburn holiday event (December 4).

### *About Blackburn College*

*Founded in 1837, Blackburn College is a four-year, Presbyterian-related, co-educational liberal arts college located in Carlinville, IL. One of only ten federally-recognized Work Colleges, Blackburn has the only program in the nation fully managed by students. Balancing academic rigor and experiential learning, each student at Blackburn gains tangible experience and develops critical skills by contributing to their community, all while building a resume and earning their degree. U.S. News & World Report recognized Blackburn College as one of the top Liberal Arts Colleges in the Nation for Social Mobility in their Best Colleges lists for 2020, 2021, and 2022. The Center for Education & the Workforce at Georgetown University ranked Blackburn as a top performer for Earnings-Price Return - 209% (#1 in IL, #10 in the U.S.) and Net Price (#1 in IL; #11 in the U.S.). The Washington Monthly twice ranked Blackburn as the best baccalaureate college in Illinois.*