



THE BOSTON CAMERATA

CREATING TIMELESS MUSICAL JOURNEYS SINCE 1954

ANNE AZÉMA ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

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Biting Musical Commentary

Looking to the past in order to better understand the present, in the opening performance of its 71st season, The Boston Camerata continues to explore age-old themes of justice and corruption with satirical works from the Middle Ages.

For immediate release (Boston, MA) – Returning home after its [second triumphal tour](#) this season at major European festivals, The Boston Camerata is preparing its 71st Boston season. Please see the entire local season [here](#).

The season opens on **October 25, 2025** at 4pm at the Friends Meeting at Cambridge with *City of Fools: Medieval Songs of Rule and Misrule*. The Camerata continues its exploration of satirical works from medieval Europe, including the fable/songs of the great Provençal troubadour and satirist Peire Cardenal, as well as pungent excerpts from *Carmina Burana* and the *Roman de Fauvel*.

“We hope that hearing how corrupt rulers were mocked in the thirteenth century will give us some perspective on the twenty-first,” says Camerata Artistic Director, Anne Azéma. “There will be laughter, hopefully, but also some serious reflection on the nature of justice, all within a context of beautiful and rousing music.” Certainly, be prepared for a surprise or two along the way!

Our cast of six – singers Anne Azéma, Michael Barrett, Ryan Lustgarten, and John Taylor Ward with instrumentalists Shira Kammen and Dan Meyers – all at the top of their field and regular collaborators with the ensemble, will transport you to a timeless place.



Listen to some of the music featured on this program: hear Camerata's recording of "Rex beatus" on [Spotify](#).

Tickets begin at \$33 and may be purchased [here](#).

Performers

Anne Azéma, *Artistic Director, voice, and hurdy-gurdy*

Michael Barrett, Ryan Lustgarten, and John Taylor Ward, *voices*

with

Shira Kammen, *vielle & harp*

Dan Meyers, *winds*

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