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Revels and Perkins School for the Blind present
their 20th annual springtime collaboration:

A Virtual Sea Revels Adventure,
Thursday, May 27, at 7:30 pm ET, **free** on Facebook Live!

A Virtual Sea Revels Adventure

Written & Narrated by [Patrick Swanson](#); Music Direction by George Emlen; Video Editing by Patrick Swanson

Thursday, May 27, 2021, 7:30 pm

FREE on Facebook Live www.facebook.com/therevels/live

“Ships are safest in harbor – but that is not what ships are built for.”

Since the whole world has been confined during the pandemic it’s time to invite you to join us for our 20th annual springtime collaboration with the talented Perkins School community – and this year, we are going to sea!

Revels and Perkins School for the Blind started collaborating on seasonal celebrations and springtime music programs over two decades ago when the Revels offices moved to Watertown. Over time, the event has blossomed into an annual tradition and is one of the most memorable and rewarding events of the year for us and the audiences we serve. Normally held in-person on the Perkins campus, this year’s production serves up **old songs through new technology as our combined choruses – their voices freshly and safely recorded - present *A Virtual Sea Revels Adventure*, a maritime tale with sea songs, poetry and chanteys galore!**

With Revels Artistic Director **Paddy Swanson** as our guide, song leader **David Coffin** as our chanteyman and **Perkins students and Revels singers** our bold crew, we will board ship, haul sails, man the pumps and face the perils and thrills of an ocean voyage in a sailing ship. You can sing with us or just come along for the ride; we just can’t wait to get out on the ocean!

This year's performers include:

David Coffin, chanteyman
Patrick Swanson, Narrator
The Revels Singers
The Revels Children

and

The Perkins Secondary Program Chorus, Arnie Harris, director

Through this virtual production and the many live collaborations throughout the years, Revels and Perkins School for the Blind are delighted to demonstrate the power of traditional music, song and ritual to bridge cultures and eliminate boundaries. Join us for this special evening as we head out to sea!

A Celebration of Spring: A Virtual Sea Revels Adventure with Perkins School for the Blind is free and open to all. Stream it live, Thursday, May 27 at 7:30pm on Facebook Live at www.facebook.com/therevels/live (No Facebook account necessary). Lyrics will be available in advance at www.revels.org.

The program is funded by a gift from the Rothstein family in memory of Sheldon Rothstein and by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

For more information on *A Virtual Sea Revels Adventure* please visit www.revels.org or phone 617-972-8300.

Thank You!