

2008 Concert Schedule

For ticket and venue information, and an up-to-date concert list, please call The Cathedral Choir School of Delaware at (302) 654-6279 extension 2 or visit us on the web at www.cathedralchoirschoolde.org

January

- 20 Choral Evensong Commemorating MLK, Jr.
Cathedral Church of St. John
Sunday, 4:00 p.m.

February

- 3 Studio Piano Recital
Cathedral Church of St. John
Sunday, 12:00 p.m.

March

- 1 2008 Diocesan Acolyte and Choir Festival
Cathedral Church of St. John
Saturday, 3:00 p.m. Evensong

April

- 27 Choral Evensong and Concert
St. Paul's Episcopal, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, PA
Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

May

- 31 125th Choir Anniversary and Festal Evensong
Cathedral Church of Saint John
Sunday, 5:00 p.m.

June

- 1 125th Choir Anniversary and Choral Eucharist
Cathedral Church of Saint John
Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist
12:00 p.m. Studio Piano Recital
- 19 New York City Choir Tour
Thursday, 1:30 p.m. Concert at Trinity Church
Wall Street
6:00 p.m. Choral Eucharist at
St. Bartholomew
- 20 Concert at St. Patrick's Cathedral
Friday, 1:30 p.m.
- 22 Choral Eucharist at St. Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue
Sunday, 11:00 a.m.
Choral Evensong at St. John the Divine
Sunday, 6:00 p.m.

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Choristers Megee, Chandler, Clark, Menser, 'Dog', Sharp, Dempsey and Miller who sang with the Choir in the 1960's.

Save the Date! It's Time for the Cathedral Choir 125th Anniversary Celebration!

In 2008, the Cathedral Choir School and the Cathedral Choir will celebrate 125 years of making beautiful music.

An anniversary celebration is planned for Saturday, May 31 and Sunday, June 1 at the Cathedral Church of Saint John.

Alumni of the choir, their family and friends, former deans of the Cathedral and members of the diocese are all invited. Anita Manning is the Chairperson for the



event. Anita's daughter Kate and son Josh are alumni of the Choir.

Among the many festivities, a Saturday Festal Evensong is planned featuring anthems composed and conducted by former Choirmasters

Herb Tinney and Ray Urwin. Alumni will also sing Gardner's Evening Hymn.

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To make sure that everyone has the chance to be part of the celebration, the Office of Alumni Relations is gathering names and contact information of alumni. Contact Lisa Slinkard (654-6279, extension 2; lslinkard@cathedralchoirschoolde.org) if: you know the whereabouts of other alumni and would be willing to contact them; or you have pictures and remembrances of the choir that you would like to share.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, May 31, 2008

- 4:15 - 4:30 p.m. Alumni Choral Rehearsal for Gardiner's "Evening Hymn"
- 4:45 p.m. Organ and Trumpet Recital Featuring Alumnus William Gregory
- 5:00 p.m. Festal Evensong
- 6:00 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres Buffet
- 7:30 p.m. Cathedral Choir School Presentation
- 7:45 p.m. Delaware Compline Choir
- 8:15 p.m. Coffee and Dessert

Sunday, June 1, 2008

- 10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist
- 12 noon Cathedral Choir School Studio Piano Recital
Coffee Hour in the Great Hall

The cost of the event is \$35/person. Please bring family and friends and register by May 15 at www.CathedralChoirSchoolDE.org.

2008 Diocesan Acolyte and Choir Festival

The Cathedral Choir School of Delaware and the Diocese of Delaware proudly present the 2008 Diocesan Choir and Acolyte Festival for Children and Youth ages 9-18 years on Saturday, March 1 at the Cathedral. The Guest Conductor will be Glenn Miller, Director of Music and Organist, at Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Choir directors are invited to have their children and youth participate.

Bishop Wright will lead the choristers and acolytes as they rededicated themselves to the service of the church. For more information, please contact Dr. Darryl Roland at 302.654.6279, extension 3. The Festival will include a Choral Evensong at 3:00 p.m. that is free and open to the public.



Choristers Sing for National Medal Winners

In November, Choirmaster Dr. Darryl Roland, Canon Musician Matthew Boatmon, and ten boys and girls from the Cathedral Choir School of Delaware traveled to Washington, D.C., to sing for a dinner hosted by The President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities (PCAH) and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). The dinner honored individuals who were to receive the Presidential National Medal for the Humanities the next day at the White House from President Bush.

In 2005, the Cathedral Choir School was the recipient of a Coming Up Taller Award from PCAH, our nation's highest honor for after school arts programs serving youth.



Cathedral Choir School choristers and staff with The President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities Executive Director Henry Moran and President Adair Margo.

National Mentoring Month

By Leslie Acker-Rowe, Mentoring Administrator

January is National Mentoring Month – a great time to recognize all the wonderful things that are happening with our Cathedral Choir School mentors and their students. Since September, students have been shadowing a mentor through a day at college; apprenticing with a professional graphic designer; studying for specialized testing (SSAT, PSAT and SAT); learning chess and Spanish; playing games of Upwords, Monopoly and Scrabble; getting regular help with homework and tutoring in chemistry and algebra; doing math enrichment exercises; studying maps and learning about other places; building self esteem; keeping a "new word a day" journal; essay writing and making friends. WOW!

Thank you Mentors for sharing the best gift of all – yourselves. To join our mentoring efforts, call me at (302) 654-6279, extension 118 or lacker-rowe@cathedralchoirschoolde.org.

Youth who have Mentors are more likely to graduate from High School, more likely to enroll in College. Pass it on. Become a mentor.

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In the Choir



Breanna with mentors Vicki and Rachel Tashjian

Breanna, age 14, is in the eighth grade and has sung in the Choir for two years. Her favorite piece to sing is *He, Watching Over Israel* by Mendelssohn. What Breanna likes best about being a student at the Choir School is "taking piano lessons, traveling to new places, meeting new people, singing in concerts, and having two mentors." When she grows up she would like to be a successful lawyer or business owner and to be wealthy and happy.

Her mentors are the mother and daughter team of Vicki and Rachel Tashjian. "The best thing about having two mentors is that I can talk to Rachel about writing and Vicki about business," says Breanna. "It is great that my mentors have the same interests as I do and they are helping me to meet some of the goals I have set for myself." Mentors Vicki and Rachel concur. "The best moment," says Rachel, "was when Breanna visited me at college. She went to my classes and I gave her a tour of the campus. We had so much fun and I think it gave her a concrete way to understand 'This is why I work so hard in school and choir.'" "This is a great experience which really teaches you a lot about yourself," says Vicki. "You learn so much from your mentee. Breanna had some great ideas about how I could improve my own business."

The Cathedral Choir School is pleased to announce that it is the recipient of a grant for \$5,000 from the Delaware Community Foundation's The Next Generation (TNG). Five grants totaling \$27,790 were awarded to nonprofit organizations offering out-of-school support programs for children 10-14 years that address challenges faced by Delaware youth. The Cathedral Choir School of Delaware will use the funds to support student peer leader training, assistantships, stipends and promotion activities.