



P.O. Box 1031

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Christmas Concert

G. F. Handel – Messiah

Sunday, December 4, 2011

3:00 and 5:30 p.m.

Mark Mangini – Conductor

Soloists

Rada Hastings – *soprano*

Suzanne Schwing – *mezzo-soprano*

Nils Neubert – *tenor*

Mischa Bouvier – *baritone*

South Fork Chamber Ensemble

Bridgehampton Presbyterian Church

Main Street, Bridgehampton, N.Y.

Holiday Happenings — December 4, 2011

- * Pre-Concert Brunch, Pierre's, 12:30 p.m
- * Performances of *Messiah*, 3:00 and 5:30 p.m.
- * Free Holiday Reception, following the 5:30 p.m. performance

Mark your calendars for our spring concert:

March 18, 2012

Barry Scott Williamson, guest conductor

Requiem, John Rutter

Regina coeli, K. 127, W.A. Mozart

Cantique de Jean Racine, Gabriel Fauré

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George Frideric Handel's seminal work, *Messiah*, is a perennial favorite among classical music enthusiasts and, for many, is the defining music of the holiday season.

An English-language oratorio composed for soloists, chorus and orchestra in 1741 with text compiled by Charles Jennens from

the King James Bible and the Book of Common Prayer, *Messiah* was first performed in Dublin in April 1742 and received its London premiere nearly a year later. It is with immense pleasure and anticipation that the Choral Society of the Hamptons presents this enormously popular choral work. It is the first time we have performed it in nearly a decade.

To celebrate the return of Handel's *Messiah* to our repertory we are hosting a pre-concert brunch at Pierre's in Bridgehampton. This festive brunch, which was such a success last year, will also help raise the funds we need to cover the cost of the performance.

After the second concert, we invite our audience to a free post-concert reception at the Bridgehampton Community House. This has become an annual tradition for the Choral Society, complete with carol sing, holiday shopping and a cash raffle.

There are many reasons to join the Choral Society at its annual Christmas concert this year: the pure joy of hearing some of the world's most beloved music; the pleasure of sharing a delicious meal with friends and the simple joy of celebrating the season. Please join us on December 4th!



*The Choral Society
of the Hamptons
invites you*

*To an elegant French brunch
with wines by Channing Daughters
at Pierre's,
across Main Street from the church,
preceding the 3 p.m. performance of
Handel's "Messiah" on December 4.*

*Brunch will begin at 12:30 p.m.
Those attending will receive
a preferred seat at the concert.*

Please use the other side for reservations.

Concert Tickets or Brunch and Concert Reservations

To receive your tickets by mail, this form should be returned by Nov. 26, 2011.

You may also order by phone at 631.204.9402 or

on our website, www.choralsocietyofthehamptons.org

Tickets are also available at Romany Kramoris Gallery, Sag Harbor.

Concert Tickets

Adult: \$25 (\$35 at the door); Youth: \$10 (\$15 at the door); Preferred seating: \$50.

For 3:00 p.m.: Please send ___ adult tickets; ___ youth tickets; ___ preferred tickets

For 5:30 p.m.: Please send ___ adult tickets; ___ youth tickets; ___ preferred tickets

Brunch Reservations

Your name will be at the door.

Please reserve ___ Sponsor Brunch and Concert Tickets @ \$150 each

Please reserve ___ Benefactor Brunch and Concert Tickets @ \$250 each

___ See my reply above. I also wish to contribute at the following level:

___ I am unable to attend, but wish to contribute at the following level:

___ Impresario - \$10,000 and over ___ Underwriter - \$500 and over

___ Angel - \$5,000 and over ___ Benefactor - \$250 and over

___ Champion - \$2,500 and over ___ Sponsor - \$100 and over

___ Patron - \$1,000 and over ___ Friend - \$25 and over

Make checks payable to Choral Society of the Hamptons, a 501(c)(3) organization.

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