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Masterworks Chorale and Children's Choruses to offer summer programs

The Masterworks Chorale announces "Summer Sing", a series of three evenings designed to introduce choral singers to new music, new friends, and our new Music Director and Conductor, Dr. Stephen Mager. "Summer Sing" is a non-auditioned opportunity for any adult who is interested in learning and singing a different master work each night.

All three "Summer Sing" evenings will be on Tuesdays from 7:30pm – 10:00pm. No reservations are required and you do not need to attend every one. A \$6.00 entry fee covers the cost of our accompanying musicians and musical scores. The dates and locations are June 29 and July 13, 2010 at Southwestern Illinois College and July 20, 2010 at St. Clare Catholic Church in O'Fallon. For more details including repertoire, please call 618-236-0182 or visit www.singmasterworks.org.

Masterworks Chorale also continues its fine tradition of providing excellent music education to young people through the annual Children's Chorus Summer Camp to be held July 19-23, 2010 at St. Paul United Church of Christ, 115 W. B. St. in Belleville, Illinois. The camp will run Monday through Friday from 9:00am-12:30pm and ends with a free performance on Friday, July 23 at 12:00 Noon.

Summer Camp 2010 is open to all students entering grades 2-12 who love to sing. No audition is necessary. This year's camp, "A Summer Musical Zoo", will be a musical celebration of the animal kingdom. A typical day at camp includes vocal coaching, training in choral singing, introduction to reading music, special guest artists, snack (provided) and craft/movement.

Heather Netemeyer, Associate Director of Choirs at Belleville East High School, is directing this year's camp. She will be assisted by **Ashley Junker**, a 2006 Belleville East alum and recent college graduate with a degree in Music Education. **Dr. Stephen Mager**, Music Director and Conductor of the Masterworks Chorale and Children's Choruses, is overseeing the camp curriculum and will make special guest appearances throughout the week.

Cost to attend Summer Camp 2010 is \$100 per singer which includes all music and instruction, t-shirt, craft and snack. Registration forms are available at www.singmasterworks.org. For more information, contact Becky McGrady at 618-257-2761.

Considered one of the most esteemed choral groups in the St. Louis area, the Masterworks Chorale is committed to celebrating the transcendent and transforming power of choral music by presenting artistic performances for the education, entertainment, and enrichment of its singers, its patrons, and the greater Metro East community. For more information, please visit www.singmasterworks.org.

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