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**Singers to Perform Tribute to Honor 9/11 and Hometown Heroes**

**Gabriel Faure's Requiem to be performed on June 18 in remembrance of 9/11 and local community heroes and first responders for their contributions to the community**

Pleasanton, California (May 2, 2011): The Pacific Masterworks Chorus will be joining forces with other singers to perform Gabriel Faure's "Requiem." The concert "From Barber to Barbershop: Tribute to 9/11 and Hometown Heroes", will also feature music celebrating American life by composers recognized as choral masters by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). San Jose-based Voices in Harmony will be guest performers singing barbershop music.

"We have been planning this concert for some time now; however, in light of recent world events, the timing is serendipitous for us to honor our hometown heroes as well as the 9/11 heroes," says Tim Salaver, President of the Pacific Masterworks Chorus, "in a sense, this may give closure to the affected families, as well as pay respectful remembrance of those in our local communities who have gone above and beyond for all of us." Experienced singers in the community are invited to join the Pacific Masterworks Chorus in singing the Requiem. To join the chorus and participate in rehearsals, contact the chorus at [pacificmasterworkschorus@gmail.com](mailto:pacificmasterworkschorus@gmail.com) for rehearsal information.

The tribute concert will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Pleasanton, California, at 1225 Hopyard Road on June 18, 2011, at 7:30 pm. The chorus is requesting nominations of hometown heroes to be submitted via their website at [www.pacificmasterworkschorus.org](http://www.pacificmasterworkschorus.org). The deadline for nominations is May 31, 2011. Advanced tickets for adults are \$25 and for students and seniors are \$15. Tickets can be purchased at the door for adults at \$30 and for students and seniors at \$20. Tickets may be reserved by sending email to [tickets@pacificmasterworkschorus.org](mailto:tickets@pacificmasterworkschorus.org) or may be purchased online at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com).

Pacific Masterworks Chorus will be singing music by famous American composers Samuel Barber, Leonard Bernstein, William Billings, Aaron Copland, William Dawson, Kirke Mechem, and Randall Thompson. In 2005, the NEA published a white paper of American choral masterworks and PMC selected most of the repertoire for this concert from this list. Also performing will be Northern California's premier men's a cappella chorus Voices in Harmony. Both groups are directed by world renowned choral conductor Dr. Greg Lyne. "This combination of voices will be a wonderful experience for the singers as well as the audience," says Lyne, "while I may direct both groups, the real stars are the singers who work diligently every week to do what they love. Both choruses will be combining for a finale which will be sure to move the audience."

Voices in Harmony (VIH) has been selected to compete at the Barbershop Harmony Society's 2011 International Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, on July 8. VIH will be performing their competition set during this concert as well as several new songs. Founded in January 2006, VIH is an award-winning chorus, consistently establishing itself as one of the top 10 choruses in the world of Barbershop singing.

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## **ABOUT PACIFIC MASTERWORKS CHORUS**

The Pacific Masterworks Chorus is devoted to high quality choral performances and recording. The chorus embraces a wide variety of repertoire ranging from works of the a cappella tradition to accompanied compositions including choral masterworks. The Chorus seeks to perform and record distinctive choral music that will delight both our performers and our audiences and also provides training and education in historical and contemporary choral methods for individual growth and community enrichment. For more information, go to [www.pacificmasterworkschorus.org](http://www.pacificmasterworkschorus.org).

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## **ABOUT VOICES IN HARMONY**

Voices in Harmony (VIH), Northern California's Premier Men's A Cappella Chorus, is an award-winning, all-volunteer, 80+ voice male a cappella chorus known for its mastery of technically demanding close harmony. Their repertoire is diverse and encompasses music from the classics to jazz, contemporary to patriotic, pop and traditional choral selections. Voices in Harmony was founded in 2006, based in San Jose, California and under the masterful musical direction of Dr. Greg Lyne. Under his leadership, VIH has rapidly become one of the finest a cappella choruses in the world.

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