

our tenth year

CELEBRATE WITH US

Welcome to Music At First's tenth year of offering excellent and engaging musical events! During our 2011-2012 season we are offering eight musically superb events—a wonderful variety of concerts to enjoy with your family, friends and the greater community.

Each event is unique and outstanding, and we hope you can join us for all of them!

WILLIAM CHIN, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

EIGHT STIRRING EVENTS
ONE INSPIRING SPACE



join us

We invite you to be a part of the Music At First family, not only in attending the concerts and productions, but in helping in the behind-the-scenes work (and fun) that gets the finished product out there. We have lots of great ideas—join us!

For more information call 708.386.5215, ext. 39, or email musicatfirst@firstunitedoakpark.com. We would love to hear from you.

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FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF OAK PARK
848 Lake Street Oak Park IL 60301



TICKETS

- All tickets available for purchase at the door.
- Artists and programs subject to change.

CONCERT LOCATION

First United Church of Oak Park
848 Lake Street, Oak Park, IL 60301

- First United Church is conveniently located in the heart of Oak Park at the corner of Lake Street and Kenilworth Avenue. It is two blocks from the Oak Park station on the CTA Green Line and one mile from I-290's Harlem exit.
- The church is a short walk from an engaging selection of shops, restaurants and bistros. The church is handicapped accessible and has free parking.



2011-2012 CONCERT SEASON

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2011, 7:30 PM
 Adults \$20 | Seniors/Students \$15



tigressions

30th Anniversary Tour! Since 1981, the Princeton University Tigressions have entertained audiences with their unique brand of bold, contemporary all-female *a cappella*. While developing a wide-ranging repertoire, the group has established a reputation for great music, originality, style and fun. Join them as they present the greatest hits of their last 30 years!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2011
 6:30 PM SILENT AUCTION, 7:30 PM CONCERT
 Adults \$20 | Seniors/Students \$15 | Families \$50 |
 Free child care provided

SING WE JOYOUS!

AN EVENING OF
 CHRISTMAS CHEER

MOMENTA



CARL
 GRAPENTINE



Celebrate the season with glorious music by The Oriana Singers, City Voices, Pro Musica Children's Chorus and dances by Momenta, Oak Park's exceptional dance ensemble. Along with the twinkling lights and Christmas carol sing-along will be a special treat—Carl Grapentine, WFMT program host and renowned music raconteur, narrating Dylan Thomas' beloved "A Child's Christmas in Wales." And what will we come up with for this year's annual "12 Days of Christmas" finale? Sing we joyous all together!

new this year!

Have your Christmas party with Sing We Joyous! Starting at 6:30 pm, join us for sweet and savory treats and Christmas punch. Finish (or start!) your Christmas shopping with our marvelous selection of unique silent auction items and pick-a-prize raffle. Mingle and munch; peruse and place your bids!

PRO MUSICA
 YOUTH CHORUS



THE ORIANA
 SINGERS



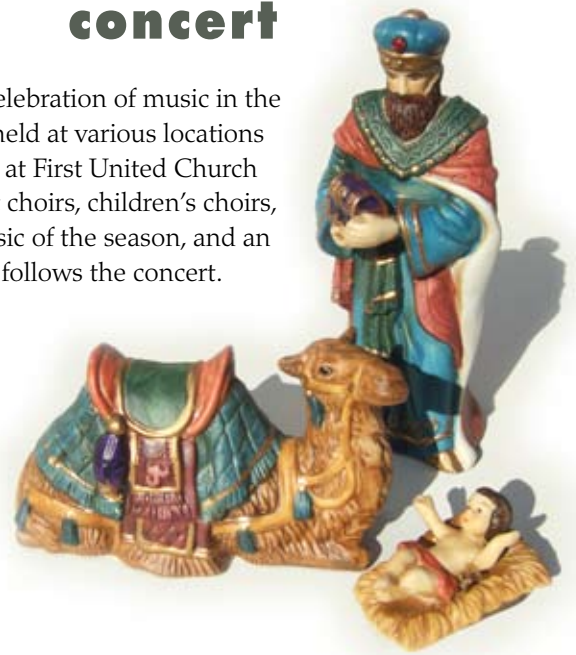
SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2012, 4:00 PM

Freewill offering to benefit the Walk-In Ministry

annual epiphany concert

Since 2001, this annual winter celebration of music in the Oak Park community has been held at various locations in the area. This year's concert is at First United Church and, as always, will feature adult choirs, children's choirs, instrumentalists performing music of the season, and an audience carol sing. A reception follows the concert.

There is no admission fee for the Annual Epiphany Concert, but a freewill offering will be collected for the Walk-In Ministry, which helps the many people in our area seeking emergency aid.



chicago three choirs festival

SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2012, 4:00 PM

Adults \$20 | Seniors/Students \$15

CITY VOICES



Hear CityVoices of Oak Park, the Music Institute Chorale of Evanston, and the Choir of First Congregational Church of LaGrange all together in a concert featuring works for choir and brass. Conductors William Chin, Daniel Wallenberg, and Ryan Cox lead their individual ensembles and the combined forces in works for a *capella* chorus, as well as with brass, with organ, and all together.



SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2012, 4:00 PM

Conductor's Circle \$40 | Adults \$20 |
 Seniors \$15 | Students \$10

chicago choral artists



Chicago Choral Artists, a 36-member ensemble that has offered truly beautiful music to Chicago audiences for over 35 years, will present *Reaping the Bounty: Caring For the Earth, Caring for Each Other*, a concert honoring Earth Day and telling of the labor that goes into caring for the earth and for each other.



CHICAGO CHORAL ARTISTS

Get to know us:
www.chicagochoralartists.org



DR. EMILIE AMREIN

Based on Gwendolyn Brooks' poem "Paul Robeson," the concert repertoire will highlight our relationship to the literal harvest and also to the communal harvest of human connection to which Brooks alludes. CCA's new artistic director Dr. Emilie Amrein will conduct an afternoon of music that promises to be profound and poignant, light-hearted and joyous.

NINTH ANNUAL Chicago Summer Sings TUESDAYS IN JUNE

Tickets \$12 to sing or to listen |
 Bring your own score, or rent one for \$3

Music lovers all over Chicagoland have discovered this treat and come back every summer to experience it all over again. On the first three Tuesday evenings in June, sopranos, altos, tenors and basses come to sing or listen as eminent conductors lead everyone in favorite choral works.

bundle your fun!

- Bring a quartet (your choice) and the fourth member gets in free!
- Buy a set of tickets for all three evenings—a \$45 value—for \$35, and save the cost of renting the scores!

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2012, 7:00 PM

MOZART: REQUIEM

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2012, 7:00 PM

BACH: MASS IN B MINOR

TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2012, 7:00 PM

ORFF: CARMINA BURANA

