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## **THE SYRACUSE CHILDREN'S CHORUS HOSTS A *FALL FESTIVAL OF CHOIRS* A concert to benefit the CNY Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure®**

SYRACUSE, NY – The Syracuse Children's Chorus, with Associate Director **Deborah A. Cunningham**, Assistant Director **Marcia DeMartini**, and Interim Director of Chorale **Carolyn Weber**, is pleased to announce its first concert of the 2010-2011 season, the second annual *A Fall Festival of Choirs*, benefitting breast cancer research and education in Central New York. **Schola Cantorum of Syracuse** under the direction of **Barry Torres**, **Syracuse Chorale** with director **Warren Ottey**, the **St. David's Episcopal Church Choir** conducted by Joyce Irwin, and the **Westhill High School Concert Choir** with director **Joseph Buchmann** will share the stage with the Syracuse Children's Chorus for an uplifting afternoon of song on **Saturday, October 23, 2010 at 2:00pm** at **Most Holy Rosary Church** in Syracuse. Audience members will experience musical selections from a variety of cultures and marvel at the sound of over 400 voices singing Gregg Smith's moving selection, *Now I Walk in Beauty*. Join us as we present a concert for a cause and celebrate the talent and diversity of the fine choirs in our community! A portion of the proceeds from each ticket sold for this concert will benefit the **CNY Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure®**.

The Syracuse Children's Chorus 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season is sponsored in part by **Driver's Village**. **YNN** is the official media partner for this event.

According to a new study by Chorus America in 2009, an estimated 42.6 million Americans sing in choruses. The study found that singing in one of the 270,000 choruses in the U.S., such as a community chorus or a school or church choir, is strongly correlated with greater civic involvement, discipline, and teamwork. On October 24, 2009, the Chorus hosted the first *A Fall Festival of Choirs* featuring **Syracuse University Oratorio Society**, **Syracuse Vocal Ensemble**, **Kirk Choir** from **Park Central Presbyterian Church**, and the **Silk & Satin** vocal jazz ensemble from **C.W. Baker High School** in Baldwinsville. As a result of the 2009 presentation of *A Fall Festival of Choirs*, **more than \$1,000** was raised to help support the efforts of the CNY Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure®.

Advance sale prices for individual tickets are \$15 for adults and \$13 for children in General Admission and \$19 for adults and \$17 for children in Priority Seating. Season Subscriptions are still available for discounted prices. Group rates are also available. For more information or to purchase tickets, please contact the Syracuse Children's Chorus office at **315.478.0582**, by e-mail at [SCCInfo@SyracuseChildrensChorus.org](mailto:SCCInfo@SyracuseChildrensChorus.org), or visit our website at [www.SyracuseChildrensChorus.org](http://www.SyracuseChildrensChorus.org).

### **About the Syracuse Children's Chorus**

The Syracuse Children's Chorus creates collaborative experiences in which young people share their joy of singing, develop their sense of beauty and deepen their commitment to excellence through choral music education and performance. Under the expert leadership of the artistic staff of the Syracuse Children's Chorus, the children contribute to the development of the American choral tradition, performing from Carnegie Hall to China, from London to Los Angeles, serving as Central New York's musical ambassadors to the world. Founded at Syracuse University in 1981 by Barbara M. Tagg, the Chorus is recognized for musical excellence and as a model for performance-based choral music education. The Chorus received the ASCAP Chorus America award for Adventurous Programming in both 2007 and 2002 in acknowledgement of these accomplishments.

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## **Calendar Listing**

### **A Fall Festival of Choirs**

Featuring: Schola Cantorum of Syracuse, Syracuse Chorale, St. David's Episcopal Church Choir, and the Westhill High School Concert Choir

Saturday, October 23, 2010 at 2:00 pm

Most Holy Rosary Church, 111 Roberts Avenue, Syracuse