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FAIRFIELD COUNTY CHORALE PRESENTS: FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

December 10, 2023 at 4pm • Norwalk Concert Hall • Norwalk, CT

Norwalk, CT – October 30, 2023 – The Fairfield County Chorale is thrilled to announce its upcoming performance of the Bach *Christmas Oratorio* on December 10, 2023, at Norwalk Concert Hall. This captivating concert promises to immerse audiences in the joyful spirit of the holiday season.

The Bach *Christmas Oratorio*, a masterpiece composed by renowned Johann Sebastian Bach, is a collection of six cantatas written for the Christmas season. Each cantata narrates a different aspect of the Christmas story, leading listeners on a musical journey filled with profound emotions and spiritual resonance.

Under the baton of esteemed conductor, Maestro David Rosenmeyer, the Fairfield County Chorale, accompanied by a full orchestra, will bring this cherished Baroque composition to life. The Chorale's exceptional voices, along with rich orchestral instrumentation, will create a tapestry of sound, transporting the audience to the magical world of Bach's masterwork.

"This performance of Bach's *Christmas Oratorio* is a true celebration of the holiday season," said Maestro Rosenmeyer. "The Fairfield County Chorale is delighted to share the beauty and spiritual depth of this beloved composition with our audiences. We invite everyone to join us on this memorable musical journey."

Presented along with the Christmas Oratorio will be Kodály's *Veni, Veni, Emmanuel* and Hailstork's *Christmas Canticle,* both favorites of the Chorale, to be performed with our distinguished soloists Sara LeMesh, Lucia Bradford, Nils Neubert, and Christopher Lau.

The Fairfield County Chorale, a community-based choir with a long-standing tradition of excellence, has garnered acclaim for its exceptional performances of choral masterpieces. Their commitment to musical excellence, coupled with a passion for artistic expression, ensures an unforgettable experience for audiences of all ages.

The Norwalk Concert Hall, known for its superb acoustics, serves as the perfect venue for this momentous occasion. Located at 125 East Avenue, Norwalk, CT, the Concert Hall offers an atmosphere that enhances the auditory and visual experience for concertgoers.

Don't miss this opportunity to witness the Fairfield County Chorale's moving performance of the Bach Christmas Oratorio, Kodály *Veni, Veni, Emmanuel*, and Hailstork *Christmas Canticle*. Join us on December 10, 2023, at the Norwalk Concert Hall for an evening of music enchantment and festive joy.

This is the Fairfield County Chorale's 61st season of presenting great choral works in southwestern Connecticut. Its mission is to champion the appreciation of excellence in choral literature, performing a broad range of choral music for the benefit of the community. The Chorale is comprised of



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80+voices, and every concert is presented with professional musicians and soloists. The FCC has presented a number of U.S. and world premieres and has performed at Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center in New York, and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

Sunday, December 10, 2023, 4PM Norwalk Concert Hall 125 East Avenue, Norwalk, CT

Tickets — available from Chorale members, on FCC's website, by phone, or by mail — are \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door, \$5 for students. Group rates are available on request. To purchase tickets online, and for more information, visit the Chorale's website at fairfieldcountychorale.org.