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THE MIDDLE TENNESSEE CHORAL SOCIETY was organized in 1969 to present choral music of the highest caliber. After becoming a chartered nonprofit in 1984, the group's purpose was broadened to include education under new music Director/Conductor Raphael Bundage and General Manager Kay Garrison. The 100-voice MTSU Concert Chorale joined the Choral Society for its 1985 concert season. Since then, choirs from elementary through high school have periodically performed with the Society to gain music understanding in settings they might otherwise not experience.

The Choral Society has brought many fine performers to the Murfreesboro stage, including James Earl Jones for Copeland's *Lincoln Portrait*, as well as international soprano Christine Brewer for Beethoven's *Missa Solemnis*. The Choral Society has performed throughout the United States, including two concerts at Carnegie Hall. European tours have featured concerts in Austria, England, France, Italy and Scandinavia.

Since 1996 the Choral Society has sponsored the National Orpheus Vocal Competition to provide financial support and encouragement to outstanding singers ages 19 to 30 pursuing careers in the vocal arts. The increasingly prestigious Orpheus Competition is the only one of its kind in the south central US. The Choral Society awards grand prizes of \$5,000 to the Young Artist Award winner and \$3,000 for the Student winner. Other privately sponsored awards are given ranging from \$150 to \$500.

Anyone with singing experience is welcome to join the Choral Society. To learn more, call Dr. Raphael Bundage at **615.898.2849**, email us at **raphael.bundage@mtsu.edu**, or visit **mtchoralsociety.org**.

**MAKING OUTSTANDING MUSIC.
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POWER OF VOCAL MUSIC.**



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I'D LIKE TO TEACH THE WORLD TO SING.



W. A. Mozart (1756–1791)

MOZART GRAND MASS

in C minor

Monday, November 6, 2017 • 7:30 PM

First United Methodist Church, Murfreesboro

Mozart's last mass before the Requiem, this majestic work won praise from Pope Francis in 2015:

"Et incarnatus est is matchless; it lifts you to God."

With the MTSU Schola Cantorum and the Stewarts Creek High School Choir, Dr. Brian Russell, director

G. F. Handel (1685–1759)

HANDEL MESSIAH

Monday, November 27, 2017 • 7:30 PM

First United Methodist Church, Murfreesboro

This most beloved work in the Western choral literature is said to have brought King George II himself to his feet at the "Hallelujah!"

With the MTSU Choirs

FROM BROADWAY TO OPERA

Choruses and Arias from the Stage

Sunday, February 25, 2018 • 3 PM

Hinton Hall, Wright Music Building, MTSU

Join us for a delightful evening featuring some of theater's most dramatic and beloved music.

THE ORPHEUS

Vocal Competition

Friday - Saturday, March 2 - 4, 2018

Finals Concert - Sunday, March 4, 2018 • 3 PM

Hinton Hall, Wright Music Building, MTSU

Enjoy exciting performances by the next generation of talented vocalists as they compete before judges.



HALLELUJAH!

WE HOPE YOU'LL JOIN US

and consider supporting the Choral Society with a tax-deductible gift. Donations underwrite the cost of orchestra, guest soloists, and music scores and help fund the Orpheus Vocal Competition, the Southeast's premiere vocal competition. Every gift is carefully used to bring the finest music to our area and help young vocal artists. For more information, contact Dr. Bundage at raphael.bundage@mtsu.edu or **615.898.2849**.

**DR. RAPHAEL BUNDAGE
CONDUCTOR | MUSIC DIRECTOR**

Enjoy 2017.18

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Sustaining Benefactor	\$1200+

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the Choral Society promote excellent music with a tax-deductible gift of \$ _____

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* Single tickets are available at the door for \$15.

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