



MIDDLE TENNESSEE CHORAL SOCIETY

2016.17 SEASON ODE TO JOY!

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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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- Sustaining Benefactor \$1200+

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

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Season Ticket Type*	Qty.	Price	Total
Adult	_____ x	\$40 = \$	_____
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* Single tickets are available at the door for \$15.

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Middle Tennessee Choral Society
P. O. Box 296, Murfreesboro, TN 37133-0296

Beethoven's 9th Symphony Finale ODE TO JOY

Grieg's Piano Concerto in a minor
Sunday, September 18, 2016, 7:30 PM

First United Methodist Church, Murfreesboro
With Arunesh Nadgir, featuring the MTSU Choirs, Stewart's Creek and Siegel High School Choruses
Dina Cancryn, soprano; Christine Isley Farmer, soprano; Stephen Smith, tenor; John Kramar, bass

Handel's MESSIAH

Monday, November 28, 2016, 7:30 PM

First United Methodist Church, Murfreesboro
With the MTSU Choirs

OUR LOVE IS HERE TO STAY

Choruses and Arias
From Broadway to Opera

February 26, 2017, 3 PM

Hinton Hall, Wright Music Building, MTSU

THE ORPHEUS

Vocal Competition

Friday - Saturday, March 3 - 5, 2017

Finals Concert - Sunday, March 5, 2017, 3 PM

Hinton Hall, Wright Music Building, MTSU

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