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**Schola Cantorum Invites Singers to Perform with Choir at March Concert**

*Mountain View, CA - January 26, 2018* - Imagine performing Mozart and Handel with a community chorus and orchestra, without having to audition, and with minimal rehearsals. That's the opportunity Schola Cantorum Silicon Valley presents singers at their concert, "Hallelujah! Oratorio Masterpieces and Favorites," held at the Los Altos United Methodist Church on March 18 at 3:00 pm.

Vocalists will join the intergenerational chorus in performing two iconic pieces, Mozart's "Ave Verum Corpus," and Handel's "Hallelujah" from "Messiah."

"This concert lends itself well to guest performers because these are popular choruses that singers will know," says Carrielynn Haedtler, president of Schola's Singer Council. "Wouldn't it be fun to have 150 people singing the Hallelujah chorus? What a sound!"

"Be a guest singer" is meant to recruit choral members, have fun, and allow anyone interested in choral singing to get a taste of the commitment involved. "We're hoping to see Schola alums, new singers, and young singers," says Music Director Gregory Wait. "If anyone has been thinking about joining a chorus, this is an opportunity to see what Schola is like."

Ages 16 and up are invited, although no one will be turned away if they can carry a tune, read music, and attend four rehearsals, slated for February 26, March 5, 12, and 14 at 7:15 pm.

"Just show up on Feb 26," Haedtler says. "Identify what part you sing, and you'll be directed to your section. We'll have a warm-up, then a rehearsal of the pieces."

The first three rehearsals will be held at the Los Altos United Methodist Church, 655 Magdalena Ave, Los Altos. The final rehearsal will be held at the First Congregational Church of Palo Alto, 1985 Louis Rd, Palo Alto.

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