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Director's Notes

Welcome to our 2015 Cabaret show, *Steppin' Out On Broadway*. We have a great show for you this year. All of our music is from musical comedies that have appeared in Broadway Theaters in New York City. "Guys and Dolls", "Wicked" and "My Fair Lady" are just a few that are represented in our performance. There is music from the really cute



musical, "The Music Man", a really dark show about a bizarre barber, "Sweeney Todd" and a skit where a couple of very strange creatures try to get into a production of "The Lion King."

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Thanks for being here. Enjoy the show, and also enjoy our new performance venue.

Richard Morrissey

<u>Cabaret Chairpersons</u> Vera Refnes and Sharlene St. Clair

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About the Chorale

The 60-voice River City Chorale has been bringing choral music to the Sacramento area since 1977 singing a wide variety of music, from the classics to the contemporary. Richard Morrissey is the fourth director of the chorale, following the earlier leadership of Jack Carey, Walter Kerfoot and Mel Olson.

The Chorale is non-profit and is supported by its members, advertisers, ticket sales, special performances, fund-raising activities and the generosity of donors. In addition to performances in December, March and May each year, there have been nine international concert tours. Three CDs have been produced: "At Christmas Be Merry", "25th Anniversary Concert" and "Gloria".

Membership in the chorale is open to experienced choral singers, subject to the needs of each voice section and auditions. Members come from as far away as Yuba City and Elk Grove.

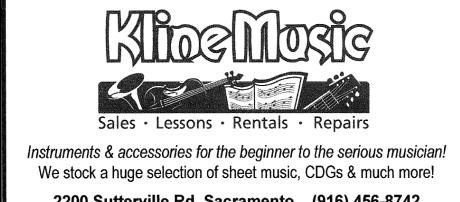
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<u>Soprano</u>

Diana Cossey Rosemarie Felver Beth Messina Pam Mitchell Marty Peterson

Alto

Christina Chappell Gail Cornelius Brenda Drumm Kidd Sharlene St. Clair



<u>Tenor</u> Stan Muther Vera Refnes Gary Varney Sandi Warren **Bass** Joe de Illy Jim Eckermann Ken Eikelmann Jerrold Jones Clyde Kidd Paul Peterson

The Clef Hangers

Paul Peterson

Greg Meyer Marty Peterson Clyde Kidd Gail Cornelius

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Steppin' Out On Broadway

Richard Morrissey, Director Kathy Earl, Accompanist

Steppin' Out on Broadway Give My Regards to Broadway Step to the Rear If My Friends Could See Me Now

The Auditions

Vera Refnes

Arr. Jay Althouse

Vera Refnes and Myron Jantzen

From "Guys and Dolls" Sit Down You're Rockin' the Boat The Clef Hangers

From "State Fair" It Might As Well Be Spring Christina Chappell, Alto

Stephen Schwartz

From "Wicked" No One Mourns the Wicked What is This Feeling? Diana Cossey, Soprano, Kelley Lints, Alto One Short Day River City Chamber Choir **Defying Gravity** Finale

From "A Little Night Music" Send in the Clowns

Judy Andersen, Soprano

From "Fiddler on the Roof"

Jerry Bock

Matchmaker The Lemmon Sisters (From a retirement residence for happy seniors.)

Richard Rodgers

Frank Loesser

Stephen Sondheim

Frederick Loewe

From "My Fair Lady" Get Me to the Church on Time Wouldn't It be Loverly Barbara Olney, Soprano The Rain in Spain Barbara Olney, Soprano, R Wayne Stacks, Bass With a Little Bit of Luck I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face Gary Varney, Tenor On the Street Where You Live I Could Have Danced All Night

From "Sweeney Todd"

The Ballad of Sweeney Todd River City Chamber Choir

From "The Music Man"

Meredith Willson

Stephen Sondheim

Lida Rose The Barber Shoppers

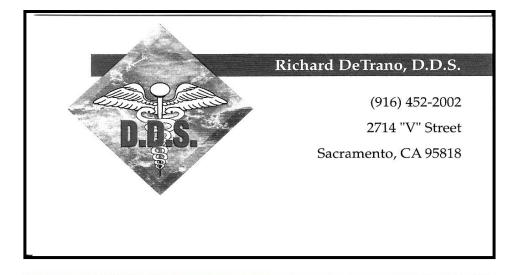
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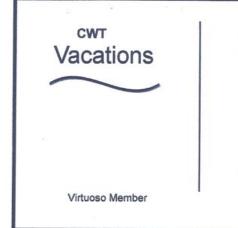
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At the End of the Day Sara Zeigler, Alto, Diana Cossey, Soprano Beth Messina, Soprano, Pam Mitchell, Soprano Kelley Lints, Alto, Susan Kim, Alto

Suddenly Greg Meyer, Baritone I Dreamed a Dream Adrian Mora. Alto Master of the House Greg Meyer, Baritone Castle on a Cloud On My Own Gail Cornelius, Alto One Day More **Empty Chairs at Empty Tables** Steve Pierce. Tenor **Bring Him Home** Do You Hear the People Sing? Christina Chappell, Alto, Stan Muther, Tenor





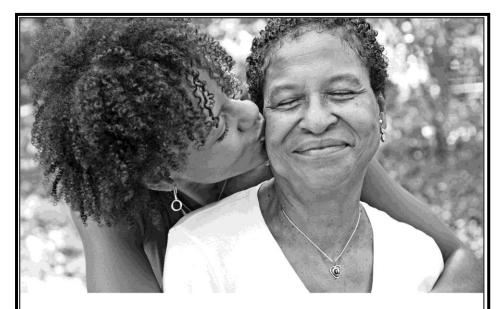


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Richard Morrissey, Artistic Director

Richard Morrissey was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree from California State University Chico and has completed graduate level courses at Chico State, CSU Sacramento, University of Portland and CSU Humboldt. He has also studied at Occidental College in Los Angeles under Dr. Howard Swan.

He served as conductor and musical director of the Yuba-Sutter Oratorio Society Chorus and the Yuba-Sutter Symphony Orchestra for 25 years. He taught band, orchestra and theatre arts at Yuba City High School and served as District Supervisor of Performing Arts for the Yuba City Unified School District for 36 years. He has conducted choral concerts in many of the larger cities of Europe, in Canada and Brazil.

Richard has composed and arranged over 75 works for choir and orchestra, eleven of which have been published. He has been a member of the River City Chorale since 1996. He served as interim director during the Chorale's 2001 European tour and was elected permanent director in November of that year. His hobbies include raising bonsai trees and bicycling.



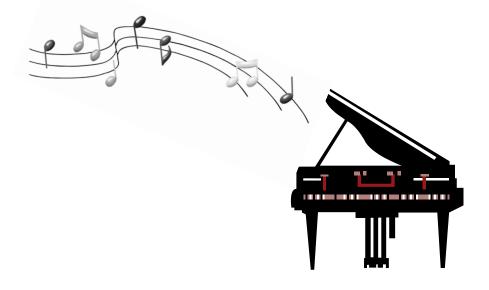
Kathleen Earl, Accompanist

Born and reared in nearby Stockton, Kathy has been active in music almost since birth, including private lessons on piano, violin and voice. She also sang in church choirs, participated in every school musical group offered and played in the local youth symphony and the Stockton Symphony. She obtained her BA degree in music (piano) at Sacramento State University.

Kathy was a public school teacher for 25 years, the last ten years as a high school music, photography and theater instructor. She was accompanist, and then became assistant conductor of the Stockton Chorale. She also conducted the Stockton Youth Chorale. She founded the Delta Valley Young Singers and the Delta Valley Women's Chorus while in Stockton.

Taking courses toward a choral conducting masters degree at San Jose State University, she had to retire from conducting and teaching due to an unusual hearing disability. She went back to San Jose State for a different masters degree (MLIS) and just retired as a librarian from Los Rios Community College District after 12 years.

Kathy enjoys visiting her grandchildren, reading, gardening, baking, traveling and photography. Stay tuned for a name change!



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