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Directed by Richard Morrissey Accompanist, Theresa Keene

<u>Featuring</u> River City Chamber Choir

> <u>Special Guests</u> Winners of our Young Artists Program



Friday, April 29, 7:30 pm Northminster Presbyterian Church Sacramento

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## Young Artist Winner - Solo

#### Shelby Pierce, Soprano

Shelby is a junior at Del Campo High School, and has been singing since she was about four years old. She started entering talent shows for the experience of singing in front of an audience. She has listened to many genres of music and enjoyed them all, but her heart belongs to Broadway. Her goal is to go to a performing arts school and major in music.



## Colin Regan, Baritone

Colin is fifteen and sings with the Waldorf High School Choir at the George Washington Carver School of Arts and Sciences. He has studied voice and sung in choral groups since elementary school. Colin composes music and also plays the French horn, piano, violin, ukulele and percussion. He is an award-winning tap dancer and Irish dancer. Colin is also an accomplished writer and is currently writing a novel. His greatest dream is to write film scores for movies.





## Young Artist Winner - Choir



<u>Del Campo High School Madrigal Choir</u> Pam Mitchell, Director Lindsay Alder, Accompanist

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Row

Lindsey Alder, Zoey Wiese, Samantha Lynn, Maria Marin, Pam Mitchell, Laura Ionescu, Sophia Silvers, Megan Stedifor, Alicia Darnell, Jamie Macias

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Row

Alexis Dawson, Samantha Marty, Mykenna Clark, Alexandra Purves, Shelby Pierce, Taryn Bratcher, Audrey Van Noland, Breawnna Heffner

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Row

Stephan Alfaro, Jalen Tamblyn, Daniel Todd, Tyler Perrine, William Bartush, Avery Kitts, Zachary Dassonville, Stephen Caldron, Michael Banning, Roger Mitchell, Austin Whitman

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## <u>Director's Notes</u> "Let Us Entertain You.!"

Our Spring concert program is a delightful potpourri of musical styles. We have movie music, a beautiful setting of the Te Deum by English composer John Rutter, some music from Broadway, a traditional spiritual, a medley of songs by Burt Bacharach, two patriotic songs, a medley of hits from the 1930's, and even a country western song. I hope you enjoy them all.



We are also very happy to feature, for the first time in our 40-year history, some young singers from the Sacramento area. The winners of our new Young Artists Competition, Shelby Pierce and Colin Regan, will both sing solos on the program, and the Madrigal Choir from Del Campo High School, under the direction of Pam Mitchell, will share some of their beautiful music with us.

**Richard Morrissey** 



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Theresa Keene, Accompanist

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Pam Adcock Judy Andersen Patty Budding Meg Burnett Diana Cossey Rosemarie Felver Pat Junod Elaine Kaul Beth Messina Pam Mitchell Cheri Nelson Barbara Olney Marty Peterson Michelle Telles Alice Worsley

## <u>Tenor</u>

Doug Leggett Frank Montez Stan Muther Steve Pierce Vera Refnes Diane Salter Gary Varney Guy Warren Sandi Warren

## Section Leaders

Pat Junod, Soprano Sharlene St. Clair, Alto Vera Refnes, Tenor Paul Peterson, Bass

## <u>Alto</u>

Anne Adrian Carol Ann Baltzell Christina Chappell Gail Cornelius Beth DePuv Carol Eikelmann Brenda Drumm Kidd Susan Kim Adrian Mora **Cheryl Podesta Dorothy Ritter** Sharlene St. Clair **Cheryl Trevor Barbara Washington** Lois Wright Sara Zeigler Noel Zimmermann

## <u>Bass</u>

Joe de Illy Jim Eckerman Ken Eikelmann Myron Jantzen Paul Johnson Jerrold Jones Clyde Kidd John Krilanovich Greg Meyer Paul Peterson Jerry Powell Bruce Reeves Byron Tucker

Vera Refnes, Assistant Director Steve Pierce, Assistant Accompanist

## About The River City Chorale

The Chorale, consisting of approximately 60 members, has been performing in the Sacramento area since 1977, singing a wide variety of music from the classics to the contemporary. Richard Morrissey has been the director since 2001 following the earlier leadership of Jack Carey, Walter Kerfoot and Mel Olson.

Season Performances begin with gala Christmas Concerts in early December by chorale and orchestra to usher in the holidays. This is followed by a fun Cabaret in March with a casual café setting and included hors d' oeuvres. The Spring Concert in May always provides a wide variety of very enjoyable music. The chorale has performed in nine international concert tours, and has produced three CDs.

**Special Performances** are available. The Chorale and Chamber Choir welcome invitations to perform at various events, from special galas to private celebrations. Call 916-967-9221.

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Te Deum

The Men of the Choir **De Animals a-Comin'** 

Love Changes Everything

**Traditional Spiritual** Arr. Marshall Bartholomew

The Women of the Choir Vera Refnes. Director Richard Morrissey, Bass Stan Muther, Guitar I Fall to Pieces **Cochran and Howard** Arr. Mac Huff

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Young Artists Winner - Del Campo H.S. Madrigal Choir Pam Mitchell, Director Lindsey Alder, Accompanist

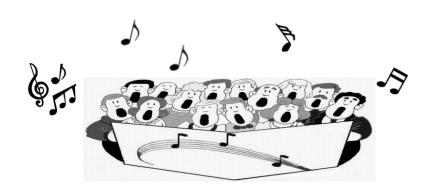
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Laura Furnell

**Plenty Good Room** Llovd Larson Soloists: Jamie Macias and Alexus Lasalle Wilson

Intermission

John Rutter



Young Artists Winner - Solo

Smile

**Charles Chaplin** 

**Colin Regan, Baritone** 

**On My Own** 

**Claude M. Schonberg Shelby Pierce, Soprano** 

**River CIty Chamber Choir** Hosanna

Back to Bacharach, **A Medley** 

**River City Chorale** Distant Land

The Music of M-G-M

**August Soderman** 

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**<u>River City Chorale and Del Campo H. S. Madrigal Choir</u>** From Sea to Shining Sea Samuel A. Ward Paraphrased by Maurice C. Whitney

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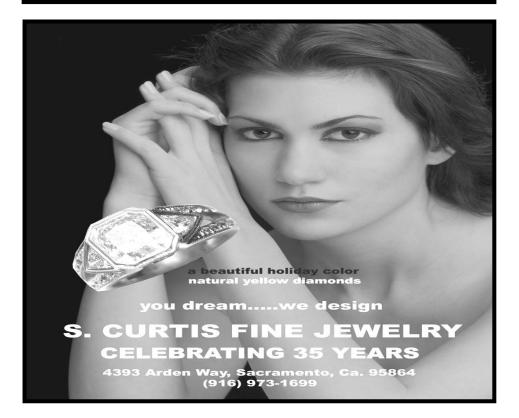


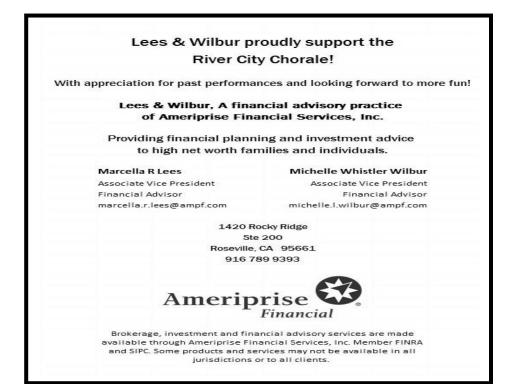
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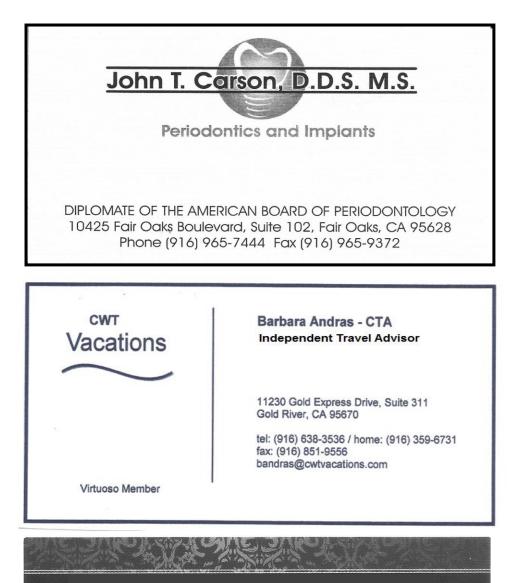
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## Richard Morrissey, Director

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 with River City Chorale in many of the larger cities of Europe, in Canada and Brazil.

Richard has composed and arranged over 150 works for choir, orchestra and brass quintet. 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 playing in two brass quintets; Gold Country Brass in Nevada City and Sutter Buttes Brass in Yuba City.



Theresa Keene, Accompanist

Theresa is in her 19th year as the principal keyboardist for the Sacramento Philharmonic



Orchestra. She holds Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. She is recognized in the Who's Who of America's Teachers and is a renowned artist having produced recordings featuring Debussy's Claire de lune and works of Beethoven, Chopin and Rachmaninoff.

Theresa thoroughly enjoys teaching at American River College and teaching and concertizing for the residents of The Chateau and River's Edge Independent/Assisted Living Facilities. She is minister of music at Cordova Baptist Church, and as a proud member of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, she says, "I give all honor and glory to my Lord Jesus Christ for the gift He has given me to share with the world".

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