

The choristers of Vanguard Voices unite in song to celebrate the joy of performing the world's great music! The choir will raise its collective voice in five performances from October through May.

As the season begins, Vanguard Voices and Grand Chorus singers will join the Dearborn Symphony in Felix Mendelssohn's *Hymn of Praise* honoring the composer's 200th birthday. Next, the Dearborn Holiday Choral Festival will include a vibrant, electrified performance of Robert Ray's *Gospel Mass*, accompanied by a gospel band with Artistic Director G. Kevin Dewey at the piano.

In the new year, Vanguard Voices will share the stage with other choirs and bands in a jubilant HFCC President's Collage Concert. A month later, the third annual Vanguard Choral Celebration will provide 200 choristers from three choirs the opportunity to showcase their own talents and receive inspiration from the fine performance of others. Finally, the Vanguard Spring Concert will unite Vanguard Voices and the Vanguard Brass Ensemble in a rousing reprise of a repertoire favorite, Mack Wilberg's *Tres Cantus Laudendi*.

Now in its 18th season, Vanguard Voices was formed to present challenging works, from traditional to modern, with a dedication to musical excellence. Over time its mission has evolved; the group promotes collaboration in performance with myriad ensembles, choirs and orchestras and also fosters entirely new choral music. Composers from around the world will submit their new works in the April 2010 Vanguard Premieres Choral Composition Contest.

We invite all serious singers interested in joining Vanguard Voices to contact Kevin Dewey at www.vanguardvoices.org or (313) 317-6566.

We welcome you as we raise our joyful voices!



Ford Community & Performing Arts Center
15801 Michigan Avenue
Dearborn, MI 48126



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Voice

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Dearborn Symphony Concert

featuring

FELIX MENDELSSOHN *Hymn of Praise*

DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA -
KYPROS MARKOU, MUSIC DIRECTOR & CONDUCTOR
VANGUARD GRAND CHORUS - G. KEVIN DEWEY, DIRECTOR

Friday, October 2, 2009, 8:00 p.m.

Reserved Tickets: \$15-\$30 adult, \$10 student
(313) 565-2424 or www.dearbornsymphony.org

Dearborn Holiday Choral Festival

With seasonal carols and an audience sing-along

featuring

ROBERT RAY *Gospel Mass*

VANGUARD VOICES
DEARBORN COMMUNITY CHORUS - JOHN HAURY, DIRECTOR

Saturday, December 12, 2009, 8:00 p.m.

Reserved Tickets: \$15, \$12, \$8 • (313) 943-2354

All performances will be held at the
Michael A. Guido Theater
Ford Community & Performing Arts Center
15801 Michigan Avenue, Dearborn

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Artistic Director G. Kevin Dewey is director of choirs at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn, Michigan, where he conducts Concert Choir, Renaissance Voices and two vocal jazz ensembles, Blue Fusion and Midnight Blue. He brings experience as a professional vocal and instrumental performer, composer and arranger to the podium, where he leads Vanguard Voices with vibrancy, enthusiasm and the joy of performing the world's great music.

Vanguard Voices is one of several cultural organizations sponsored by the City of Dearborn Recreation Department and is choir-in-residence at Henry Ford Community College.

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IS AT THE**

vanguard

**OF CHORAL MUSIC IN
METROPOLITAN DETROIT.**



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HFCC President's Collage Concert

VANGUARD VOICES
CHORAL AND INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES FROM
HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Saturday, February 27, 2010, 8:00 p.m.

Reserved Tickets:

\$15 through February 19 • (313) 845-9699
\$20 after February 19 • (313) 943-2354

Vanguard Choral Celebration

Sharing the joy of vocal performance

VANGUARD VOICES
FLINT FESTIVAL CHORUS - BRADLEY BLOOM, DIRECTOR
MEASURE FOR MEASURE - STEVEN LORENZ, DIRECTOR

Monday, March 29, 2010, 8:00 p.m.

Reserved Tickets: \$5 • (313) 943-2354

Vanguard Spring Concert

Raise a Joyful Voice

featuring

BENJAMIN BRITTEN *Rejoice in the Lamb*
JOHANN PACHELBEL *Nun Danket Alle Gott*
MACK WILBERG *Tres Cantus Laudendi*

VANGUARD VOICES & BRASS

Thursday, May 27, 2010, 8:00 p.m.

Reserved Tickets: \$12, \$8 • (313) 943-2354

General Information (313) 317-6566
WWW.VANGUARDVOICES.ORG