



UNCONVENTIONAL SOUNDS
UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

Now in its 24th season, Vanguard Voices will explore musical works of the Twentieth Century in its home performance venue, the Michael A. Guido Theater of Dearborn's Ford Community & Performing Arts Center. In works from musical theater, houses of worship, the concert hall and opera house, the 75-voice choir, under the artistic direction of G. Kevin Dewey, will perform music that broke the conventions of the Romantic composers of the prior century.

For the third time since its inception in 1982, Vanguard Voices will appear on the concert stage in support of a visiting artist in the Guido Theater's professional concert series. Broadway standout Linda Eder will present favorites from the musical theater, with Vanguard Voices and the Dearborn Symphony in accompaniment. The mid-October concert promises a memorable and entertaining evening.

The Dearborn Community Chorus will join Vanguard Voices singing seasonal favorites in the annual Dearborn Holiday Choral Festival in December. The two choirs will combine to perform Benjamin Britten's *A Ceremony of Carols*, composed in 1942. The 11-movement work for choir and harp calls upon English folksong, carols and plainchant to convey the joy that precedes Christmas. In February, the vocal and instrumental ensembles of Henry Ford College will present shorter modern works in the annual President's Collage Concert.

Vanguard Voices' May performance will feature Carl Orff's monumental *Carmina Burana*, a 1936 work whose opening and closing anthem, "O Fortuna," has become a staple of popular culture. Vanguard Brass & Percussion Ensemble will accompany this well-known work. The May concert also will include selections from opera featuring baritone guest soloist Quinto Milito in arias from Italian and French repertoire. Vanguard Voices also will perform Verdi's famous operatic chorus "Va, Pensiero" from *Nabucco* and other selections.

Our season repertoire promises vocal melodies both tuneful and challenging by composers across musical genres whose works came to terms with modern society. Join us as we again present programs at the vanguard of choral music!

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An Evening with Linda Eder

BROADWAY ARTIST LINDA EDER
VANGUARD VOICES
DEARBORN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Saturday, October 17, 2015, 8 p.m.
Reserved Tickets*: \$69, \$59, \$49
VIP tickets also available
(313) 943-2354

* prices do not include box office fees

Dearborn Holiday Choral Festival

Celebrating the season

VANGUARD VOICES
DEARBORN COMMUNITY CHORUS – MARCUS LAPRATT, DIRECTOR
SYLVIA LAPRATT, HAPIST

featuring
BENJAMIN BRITTEN *A Ceremony of Carols*
also *Christmas Choral Classics*

Saturday, December 12, 2015, 7 p.m.
Reserved Tickets: \$18, \$15, \$11, \$6 (student)
(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 College in Dearborn, Michigan, where he conducts Henry Ford Chorus, 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 & Parks Department and is choir-in-residence at Henry Ford College.

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HFC President's Collage Concert

VANGUARD VOICES
CHORAL AND INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES FROM
HENRY FORD COLLEGE

Saturday, February 27, 2016, 7 p.m.
Reserved Tickets:
\$10 through February 19 • (313) 845-9699
\$15 after February 19 • (313) 943-2354

Vanguard Spring Concert

Celebrating the choral art

VANGUARD VOICES
VANGUARD BRASS & PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE
SPECIAL GUEST: QUINTO MILITO, BARITONE

featuring
CARL ORFF *Carmina Burana*
Also: A selection of favorite arias and opera choruses

Sunday, May 22, 2016, 4 p.m.
Reserved Tickets: \$15, \$11, \$6 (student)
(313) 943-2354

JOIN VANGUARD

If you are a singer interested in performing with a group that has an exciting repertoire as well as high standards and lively camaraderie, please join us for one of our next open rehearsals. Visit the Vanguard Voices website for more information.