



IED CHORAL SOCIETY

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Join us in bringing choral masterworks to life



From the Podium
Bruce Perry, Conductor

One librarian I know joked that love stories should be shelved with mysteries, since no one could really understand them. Indeed, what makes two people fall in love can be a great mystery that has intrigued composers and playwrights for centuries.

Early Twentieth-century composers wrote some of their most popular music trying to describe the mystery of love. Cole Porter's *Let's Fall in Love* jokingly states,

*Birds do it; bees do it, even educated fleas do it!
Let's do it. Let's fall in love.*

Lerner and Lowe's love story *Camelot* explores the pain love can cause. George and Ira Gershwin's *Porgy and Bess* tells of love's power to change people in dire circumstances. Beautiful folk songs like *Shenandoah* share the joy of reuniting with lost loves.

Join us as we journey through many Love Stories, brought to life through beautiful singing of familiar songs. Bring a friend to one of our two performances of this concert of spectacular singing that will send listeners away humming or whistling old and new favorite songs. Looking forward to seeing you soon!

LIBRARY TIME

Love Stories

A concert of music about love, featuring songs from Golden Age Broadway
October 29, 2022 (Webster City)
October 30, 2022 (Fort Dodge)

Christmas Story

A nostalgic concert featuring music that tells the ancient story of Christmas, including choir, organ, and Jive for Five!
December 18, 2022

Mysteries and Bedtime Stories

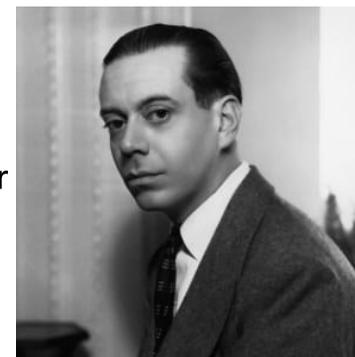
Ralph Vaughan Williams *Five Mystical Songs*
Featuring Collin Ellsbury, baritone
John Rutter *The Reluctant Dragon*
March 12, 2023

NEW RELEASES

Requiem for the Living by Dan Forrest,
choir, soloists, and orchestra
April 30, 2023

Cole Porter
1891—1964

Composed over 800 songs for movies and musicals. Enjoy a medley of his popular love songs.



Alan Jay Lerner
1918—1986
Frederick Lowe
1901—1988

Partnered to create Broadway shows, including *Camelot*.



George Gershwin
1898—1937
Ira Gershwin
1896—1983

Porgy and Bess and many songs

Thank you!

Thanks to our many business and individual members whose generosity makes Choral Society possible. This year, a season membership is a better deal than ever before! After more than ten years of not raising ticket prices, at-the-door tickets will increase two dollars to \$12, making a senior individual membership almost half the price of at-the-door admission. Season memberships will be available at the door for both upcoming performances.

Additionally, because of your generosity, we have been able to demonstrate community support when successfully applying for grants to enhance future programming. Your continued support is most appreciated and certainly helps assure a vibrant future for Fort Dodge Choral Society.

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**Saturday, October 29
7:30 pm**

**First Congregational UCC
1000 Willson Ave, Webster City**

**Sunday, October 30
3:00 pm**
**Trinity United Methodist
838 N 25th St, Fort Dodge**