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Tina Johns Heidrich

is the Founder and Music Director of the Connecticut Master Chorale. A dynamic leader with her own distinct vision and style, she consistently produces impressive performances filled with sensitivity, emotion and passion, engaging both singers and audience. Her unique approach of “work hard but have fun” and her immense energy ensure an exciting and educational experience for her singers, while eliciting their very finest performance quality.

“It's all about the music”, is how Ms. Heidrich describes the character and purpose of the Chorale. Reviewers have described her “magic touch for finding new material for her group to perform” and complimented the “distinctive finely polished sound” that she elicits from the singers, while one critic's comment was, “This conductor's hallmarks are care, precision and passion”.

*Directions and parking for
First Congregational Church of Danbury*

The church is located at 164 Deer Hill Ave., at the intersection of West Street and Deer Hill Avenue in Danbury, across from City Hall.

Eastbound on Interstate 84: Take I-84E in Connecticut to Exit 5. Go straight from the exit ramp onto Downs Street. At the light, turn right onto Main Street. Follow Main Street south for approximately 1.5 miles and turn right onto West Street. In 1/4-mile turn left onto Deer Hill Avenue. The church is on the right corner and is handicap accessible.

Westbound on Interstate 84: Take I-84W in Connecticut to Exit 5. Make a right turn off the exit ramp onto Main Street. Follow Main Street south for approximately 1.5 miles and turn right onto West Street. In 1/4-mile turn left onto Deer Hill Avenue. The church is on the right corner and is handicap accessible.

There is plenty of parking - look for signs. Parking meters are free on Sundays.

For more detailed information, including maps, please visit www.cmchorale.org.

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Our 21st Season

The Connecticut Master Chorale

was founded in 1999 by Music Director and Conductor Tina Johns Heidrich. When she was first conceptualizing the chorale, Ms. Heidrich envisioned a new chorus of highly trained singers able to learn complex music quickly and capable of performing her unique eclectic programming with enthusiasm, precision and passion.

In addition to the regularly scheduled performances, our accomplishments include a Christmas Concert at the White House, a U.S. premiere performance at Lincoln Center, three Carnegie Hall appearances, as well as concerts at West Point, Madison Square Garden, and with the Ridgefield Symphony - all by invitation. We won the annual McDonald's Gospelfest Competition three years in a row and have appeared on ABC TV.

Our recordings have been featured on WMNR Fine Arts Radio in Connecticut.

As we continue into our third decade, we look forward to even more new and exciting music in our future!

We begin our 21st concert season with our annual **Holiday Prelude Concert**, welcoming in the season with a festive selection of exceptional choral music. Beginning with a joy-filled work by our own Tina Heidrich, our program features "A Spanish Christmas", and a distinctive collection of music for Winter, Advent, Hanukkah, and Christmas. Expect new arrangements of old favorites, traditional carols, big band, calypso and gospel. We are especially pleased to announce the return of the ever-popular steel drums!

In March we will present **To Hope! A Celebration** by Dave Brubeck. In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the composer's birth, we recognize his many contributions to the world of music. Legendary for his unique jazz, he also gained wide recognition as a composer of classical works. His superb choral writing is evident in this glorious work that truly makes a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Also on the program is **I'm Gonna Sing!** - a collection of spirituals by distinguished conductor and composer, André Thomas, who is considered the master of spiritual writing!

Connecticut Master Chorale



Tina Johns Heidrich
Music Director and Conductor
Joseph Jacovino, Jr., Accompanist
Connecticut Master Chorale Orchestra

2019-2020 SEASON

Both concerts at First Congregational Church of Danbury, CT Holiday Prelude Concert

Sunday, November 24, 2019 – 3 pm



To Hope! A Celebration

by Dave Brubeck

plus

I'm Gonna Sing!

by André Thomas

Sunday, March 29, 2020 – 3 pm

\$20 in advance - \$25 at the door

For tickets, call (203) 740-9533

NOTE: new phone number

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HOLIDAY PRELUDE CONCERT November 24, 2019

Christmas Awakening! - Tina Johns Heidrich created this inspiring, vibrant work that combines the absolute joy of that very first Christmas morning, "Awake and Sing!", with passages from Isaiah that foretell His coming.

Bells of Joy - An outstanding choral medley of favorite carols with dramatic accompaniment includes *Carol of the Bells, Joy to the World, What Child Is This?* and *We Three Kings*.

A SPANISH CHRISTMAS: Featuring four eclectic works from different Spanish language traditions: **All Earth Is Hopeful - Carol of Joy - Duérmete, Mi Corazón** and **A La Media Noche**.

The Rose - We introduce Norwegian composer Ola Gjeilo with this lovely nature poem wrapped in an ethereal soundscape of smoothly soaring vocal lines.

All on a Bethlehem Night and **A King Is Born** - For all of those who have been waiting not so patiently for the return of the steel drums, they are back this year!

Remembering Decembers - A nostalgic look back at treasured winter memories of past Decembers with hopeful thoughts of creating new and lasting memories in the present.

Jing-a-Ling, Jing-a-Ling - This bright and cheerful sleigh ride song was recorded and made famous by the Andrews Sisters in the 1950's.

What Will Santa Claus Say? (When He Finds Everybody Swingin') - From the great singer, trumpeter and bandleader Louis Prima comes this 1936 Big Band style swing tune that will dance its way into your heart!

I'll Be Home for Christmas - Written in 1943 in the midst of WWII, and first recorded by Bing Crosby, this classic Christmas song is presented in a jazzy style that adds sparkle to the traditional version we all know.

Every Light That Shines at Christmas! We close our program with this powerful gospel song that delivers an unmistakable Christmas truth: "Every light that shines at Christmas shouts, 'Hallelujah, Christ is born!'"

Connecticut Master Chorale - CD Order Form

2018 Holiday Prelude Concert	x _____
2017 Holiday Prelude Concert	x _____
2016 Holiday Prelude Concert	x _____
2015 Holiday Prelude Concert	x _____
2014 Holiday Prelude Concert	x _____
Kim André Arnesen: <i>Requiem for Solace</i>	
Dan Forrest: <i>Te Deum, In Paradisum, and Psalm of Ascension</i>	x _____
Dan Forrest: <i>Jubilate Deo</i>	
Paul Basler: <i>Songs of Celebration</i>	x _____
Martin Palmeri: <i>Misatango</i>	
John Rutter: <i>The Gift of Life</i>	x _____
Duke Ellington's <i>Sacred Concert</i>	x _____
<i>Stabat Mater; Puccini Choruses</i>	
Karl Jenkins: <i>Stabat Mater</i>	
Mack Wilberg: <i>Four American Folk Hymns</i>	
Glenn McClure: <i>A Caribbean Mass</i>	
André Thomas: <i>Songs From My Heart</i>	x _____
<i>I Hear America Singing</i>	x _____
<i>Around the World in 80 Minutes</i>	x _____
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<i>Anniversary Concert (2009)</i>	x _____

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