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Music Society (Choral) presents:

**What: Youth Honors Choral Program "Holiday Celebration!"**

**When: December 19 – 3 pm**

**Where: Midland Center for the Arts, 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd., Midland, MI 48640**

**Cost: \$8 all tickets**

**Information:** Call Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or [www.mcfta.org](http://www.mcfta.org)

Music Society's Youth Honors Choral Program presents their "**Holiday Celebration!**", an afternoon of holiday favorites at 3 pm on Saturday, December 19. The Auditorium of the Midland Center for the Arts, 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd., Midland, will ring in the holidays when three vocal music groups present this 60-minute, family-friendly concert **featuring familiar holiday songs from around the world such as "We Need a Little Christmas," "Christmas Bells are Ringing" and "Hanukkah's Child."** All tickets are \$8 and may be purchased by calling the Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or visiting [www.mcfta.org](http://www.mcfta.org).

The Youth Honors Choral Program (YHCP) features students in 3rd through 8th grade who are involved in their school music programs and in Music Society's choirs. The Youth Honors Singers is directed by Jennifer Breneman; The Youth Honors Ensemble, is directed by Tracey Kempself; and The Youth Honors Chorus, is under the direction of Linda Hohner.

The YHCP was founded by Sarah Dergazarian in 1980 and has grown to over 150 singers. Open auditions are held each spring and each year the advanced choir, Youth Honors Chorus, travels to regional competitions and festivals where they have won first place ten years in a row. For more information about the Youth Honors Choral Program, email [andersone@mcfta.org](mailto:andersone@mcfta.org) or call 989-631-5930 ext. 1601.

Music Society of the Midland Center for the Arts is a premier, volunteer musical arts organization serving mid-Michigan. It provides volunteers and audiences with exciting, quality musical events, utilizing professionals to educate and develop its talented, community-based participants.

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