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May 10, 2011

Music Society - Choral presents:

What: Camerata/Langsford Men's Chorus Concert

When: May 20 • 8 pm

Where: United Church of Christ, 4100 Chestnut Hill Drive, Midland

Cost: FREE

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

MIDLAND – The Midland Camerata Singers, directed by James Hohmeyer, joins the international award-winning The Langsford Men's Chorus, directed by Steve SeGraves, in a concert on May 20, 8 pm at United Church of Christ, 4100 Chestnut Hill Drive, Midland. The program features each choir performing their own selections, and concludes with the combined choirs singing *Daemon Irreperit Callidus* by Orban, and *Soon Ah Will Be Done* by Dawson. Admission is free; a free-will donation will be taken during the program, with a light reception following.

THE LANGSFORD MEN'S CHORUS

One evening in the fall of 1999, six men gathered around a piano and began to sing. While this event might not seem particularly unusual, it did hold a special significance. The six, all alumni of the Wayne State University Men's Glee Club, were holding the first rehearsal of a group that has come to be known as *The Langsford Men's Chorus*. Since that first informal session, the LMC has evolved into a world class male choral ensemble, now numbering near 60 men.

The LMC performs music of genres, from the Renaissance classics to the most contemporary compositions. Liturgical music, traditional spirituals and folk songs, sea chanties, and songs that stir both the heart and spirit comprise much of the group's ever-expanding repertoire. In the summer of 2008, the LMC gained international acclaim by placing second in the male chorus competition in the prestigious International Musical Eisteddfod held in Llangollen, Wales. This was its first international juried competition.

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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