



BAY CHORAL GUILD  
Sanford Dole, Artistic Director

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## Bay Choral Guild 2011-2012 Season

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Bay Choral Guild and Maestro Sanford Dole, BCG Artistic Director, announce an exciting, wide-ranging set of programs for BCG's 33rd season of choral music!

With trumpets blazing, BCG's December concert honors the roots of our organization in a visit to the Baroque era. Join us as we present C.P.E. Bach's *Magnificat* and J.S. Bach's *Christmas Oratorio, Cantatas I and VI*. Our soloists will be Helene Zindarsian, soprano, Dianne Terp, alto, John Davey-Hatcher, tenor, and Jeff Fields, baritone. The Jubilate Baroque Orchestra, David Wilson, concertmaster, will accompany us on period instruments. Both works feature glorious melodies and plenty of musical fireworks from the entire cast. This concert is supported by a grant from the Arts Council of Silicon Valley and by a challenge grant from the BCG Chorus.

In March we examine the art of Psalm settings. This survey of lovely motets in diverse styles from around the world, including lesser known works by some of the great composers, will be a revelation and a voyage of beautiful discovery!

In June we present a huge favorite of singers and audiences alike – the great masterpiece of the Russian Orthodox Church: Sergei Rachmaninov's "*All Night Vigil*" This hour-long feast of lush romantic harmonies will be a wonderful conclusion to our concert year.

Our December 9 and 10 concerts will be performed in Palo Alto and San Francisco:

Friday Dec. 9, First United Methodist Church, 625 Hamilton Ave., Palo Alto, 8:00 pm

Saturday Dec. 10, St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church, 500 De Haro, San Francisco, 8:00 pm

Our 2012 concerts, March 9, 10, 11 and June 8, 9,10, will be held at our usual venues:

Fridays in Campbell: Campbell United Methodist Church, 1657 Winchester Ave., 8:00 pm

Saturdays in San Francisco: St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church, 500 De Haro, 8:00 pm

Sundays in Palo Alto: St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 600 Colorado Ave., 4:30 pm

**For Tickets and Further Information:**

Visit [www.baychoralguild.org](http://www.baychoralguild.org) or email [info@baychoralguild.org](mailto:info@baychoralguild.org).

**About Sanford Dole, BCG Artistic Director:**

Sanford Dole received his Bachelor and Masters degrees (composition and conducting) from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. A native of Berkeley, he was a founding member of Chanticleer and was the Assistant Director of the San Francisco Symphony Chorus from 1987 to 1997. Mr. Dole is Music Director at St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church in San Francisco, Artistic Director of the Sanford Dole Ensemble, and a member of the Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra Chorale.

**About Bay Choral Guild (BCG):**

The Bay Choral Guild is a 40-voice, auditioned chorus based in Palo Alto with singers from around the Bay Area. Founded in 1979 as the Baroque Choral Guild, BCG has a solid reputation for high-quality performances and innovative programming of demanding repertoire from all periods. BCG is a member of Chorus America and the Foothill College Performing Arts Alliance.

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