# SMU Choral Department 2018-2019

### **Meadows Chamber Singers**

A select vocal ensemble comprised of the most advanced vocal talent in the university; open through audition to all undergraduate and graduate students, regardless of major. Meadows Chamber Singers fulfills major ensemble requirements for SMU degree programs.

Rehearsals: MWF 12:00 - 12:50 pm

## **Meadows Chorale**

This large mixed choir is open through audition to all undergraduate and graduate students, regardless of major. Meadows Chorale fulfills major ensemble requirements for SMU degree programs.

Rehearsals: MWF 3:00 – 3:50 pm

#### **Diva Dolce**

A treble choir that performs an eclectic mix of repertoire from chamber works to opera excerpts to standard choral works. Diva Dolce is open to all female students (regardless of major) through audition. This choir fulfills major ensemble requirements for SMU degree programs.

Rehearsals: TTH 12:30 – 1:50 pm

## **Fall 2018 Audition Information:**

Sunday, August 19 12:30 – 2:00 pm Choral Hall (Owen Fine Arts Center room 1180)

Monday, August 20 12:00 – 1:00 pm Choral Hall

3:00 – 5:30 pm O'Donnell Recital Hall

For all students who are <u>new</u> to the choral program, the audition will consist of vocalization, sight-reading, and the performance of a prepared solo from the standard classical vocal repertoire, such as an art song or aria (please note that you may be asked to sing only an excerpted portion of the selection, in order to keep the audition within the desired time limits). Although we prefer an art song or aria, if you are unable to prepare a solo of this nature, you may sing either "Amazing Grace" or "America" ("My Country, 'Tis of Thee") instead.

An audition sign-up sheet will be posted outside the Choral Hall – please select a time that is convenient for you. If you cannot audition during one of the posted times, contact Dr. Huffman immediately, and an alternative time will be arranged. Questions? Contact Dr. Pamela Elrod Huffman, Director of Choral Activities, at pelrod@smu.edu.

#### **2018 – 2019 CONCERT SEASON**

In lieu of admission, please make a donation to the North Texas Food Bank, either at the concert (cash, check, or non-perishable food item) or online at www.ntfb.org.

# Sunday, October 14, 2018

"United"

Meadows Chorale, Diva Dolce, Meadows Chamber Singers Special guest artists: The Dallas Street Choir Caruth Auditorium 2:30 pm

For our first concert of the season, we are thrilled to be joined by our friends from the extraordinary Dallas Street Choir, under the direction of Dr. Jonathan Palant. Join us for this celebration of the unifying power of song!

## Thursday, November 29, 2018

"Season of Hope"

Meadows Chorale, Diva Dolce, Meadows Chamber Singers Caruth Auditorium 7:30 pm

We invite you to join the Meadows choirs for an evening of music inspired by this season of hope, love, and renewal. We will reflect, contemplate, and all sing "Alleluia!"

## Sunday, March 3, 2019

"How We Love"

Meadows Chorale, Diva Dolce, Meadows Chamber Singers Caruth Auditorium 2:30 pm

"All that matters....is how we love." Using Beth Nielsen Chapman's poignant ballad, "How We Love," as inspiration, this concert looks at the many aspects of love – its joys, its pains, its complexities, and its depth.

# **Sunday, April 28, 2019**

"That Heaven of Freedom"

Meadows Chorale, Diva Dolce, Meadows Chamber Singers Ridgewood Park United Methodist Church 6445 E. Lovers Lane Dallas, TX 75214 7:30 pm

Rabindranath Tagore's poem, "Where the Mind is Without Fear," is the inspiration for the final concert of the year by the Meadows choirs. The program will feature music that explores our dreams for a better world.