

CREATIVE GERMANTOWN INITIATIVE
AT
THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH IN GERMANTOWN
IS PROUD TO PROVIDE
EXCEPTIONAL MUSIC IN THIS
51st ANNUAL CONCERT SERIES
2010-2011

Creative Germantown Initiative recognizes that music is the universal language of humanity and consistently offers high quality, varied musical performances to the Germantown community through its outstanding concert series.



THE GERMANTOWN ORATORIO CHOIR

The Germantown Oratorio Choir founded in 1960 by Robert Carwithen is a community-based concert choir that draws its membership from Germantown and surrounding communities. The choir sings major choral and theatrical repertoire with orchestra each season and provides the community with socialization opportunities as well as continuing music education by experiencing the artistry of historic and contemporary vocal music.

The Germantown Oratorio Choir is currently under the artistic direction of David C. Daugherty, Director of Music at The First Presbyterian Church in Germantown.

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INITIATIVE, INC.

ARTS EDUCATION RECREATION

Creative Germantown Initiative (CGI) is rooted in the rich 201 year history and positive community impact of The First Presbyterian Church in Germantown (First Church). Flowing out of its unwavering commitment to Germantown, First Church has provided a variety of service and outreach programs for the residents of the community. Although these programs were developed and sponsored by First Church, they were non-sectarian in nature and involved people from different backgrounds and affiliations. Realizing that their vision had grown beyond the capacity and resources of First Church, the staff and volunteers connected with these programs created CGI as a means to expand these programs, to strengthen the Germantown community through arts, education and recreation, serving persons of all ages as they experience the joys and challenges of urban living. CGI is governed by a diverse Board of Directors all of whom are connected to the Germantown community.

As you read through the list of concerts planned for this coming year, you will find some new names and some who have performed in this series for years. It is a varied list of performers, each bringing a special talent to share with you. The Concert Series in its 51 year history has had no admission charge. A free will offering will be collected at each concert to help defray costs. Generous gifts from patrons also make it possible to offer these performances.

Consider becoming a patron supporting this 51st Concert Series. Make your checks payable to **Creative Germantown Initiative** and know that your gifts are tax deductible.

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THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN



CHURCH IN GERMANTOWN

Dr. Nancy E. Muth, Minister
David C. Daugherty, Director of Music

A wonderful tapestry of cultures worship together at The First Presbyterian Church in Germantown. This urban congregation is an inclusive, celebratory, and caring community. Many people have chosen to make this church a preferred destination - travelling a great distance to attend its meaningful worship services, renowned concert series, and outstanding educational events. They find a unique balance between tradition and opportunities for mission, outreach, and spiritual growth. Celebrating 200 years of ministry in 2009, the church was officially organized in 1809, and the first structure on its present site was built in 1872. The sanctuary's renovated stained glass windows were created by Louis Comfort Tiffany, Nicola D'Ascenzo, and Henry Lee Willet.

Church members enthusiastically serve their own urban neighborhood as well as missions worldwide. They continually strive to offer encouragement and hospitality to friends and strangers alike.

The First Presbyterian Church in Germantown is located near the corner of Germantown and Cheltenham Avenues and can be easily reached by public transportation. Directions can be obtained by visiting the church Web site: www.fpcgermantown.org. There is ample parking in both church and nearby parking lots and along neighboring streets.



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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2010
KEYSTONE STATE BOY CHOIR**

Joseph P. Fitzmartin, Artistic Director
Steve M. Fisher, Associate Music Director

Come out and help Keystone State Boychoir kick-off its 10th Anniversary Season! The boys made history this past December when they sang the first-ever choral concert in Antarctica. In doing so Keystone State Boychoir became the first choir to have sung on all seven continents. Keystone State Boychoir is in residence at the First Presbyterian Church in Germantown.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2010
THE PRESBYBOP QUARTET**

Bill Carter, Jazz Pianist – Sacred Jazz

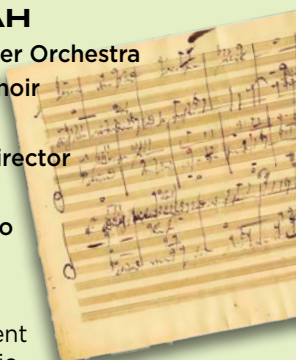
Presbybop is a musical venture of Bill Carter, jazz pianist and Presbyterian minister. Based in northeastern Pennsylvania, this group of consummate professionals has presented concerts and jazz worship services in churches around the country for the last 18 years. Presbybop has performed with many of the who's who in the jazz world including Dave Brubeck who regards Bill Carter as a great piano player, and highly recommends his recordings.



<http://www.presbybop.com>

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2010
HANDEL'S MESSIAH**

Philadelphia Sinfonia Chamber Orchestra
The Germantown Oratorio Choir
Gary D. White, Conductor
David C. Daugherty, Music Director
Elisabeth Stevens, Soprano
Jessica Lowe, Mezzo-Soprano
Stuart Jasper, Tenor
Jonathan Sills, Baritone



Celebrate the season of Advent with the Germantown Oratorio Choir's annual performance of George Frederick Handel's famed oratorio "Messiah", a work that brings us the story of Christ's redemption and constantly remains exciting for audiences and performers alike.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2011
PHILADELPHIA SINFONIA**

Gary D. White, Conductor
Egmont Overture,
Op. 84a by Ludwig van Beethoven
Ballade for Solo Bass Trombone, Harp
and Strings by Eric Ewazen
Symphony No. 5 in D Major, Op 107
by Felix Mendelssohn

One of the area's premiere youth orchestras, the award winning Philadelphia Sinfonia has performed extensively throughout the Philadelphia region and abroad. This past summer the orchestra made its Mann Center debut performing on the "Young People's Concert Series" for an excited audience of thousands. Philadelphia Sinfonia is pleased to present a concert of old and new treasures at First Presbyterian Church in Germantown.



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2011
PENNSYLVANIA GIRLCHOIR**

Mark Anderson, Music Director
Jodi Bohr, Associate Music Director

Back for their third appearance, the Pennsylvania Girlchoir consists of over 160 girls from seven counties in Southeastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The Motet Choir and The Troubadors from the organization will present a varied program of music including plainsong, Classical, Twentieth Century and spirituals.

<http://www.pagirlchoir.org>

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2011
THE PHILADELPHIA
HANDBELL ENSEMBLE**

Kermit D. Junkert
Artistic Director and Conductor

We are pleased to welcome back The Philadelphia Handbell Ensemble. Praised for its brilliant technique and refined musicianship, the Philadelphia Handbell Ensemble will present a wide array of musical styles and moods with their repertoire of original compositions, arrangements, and classical transcriptions. This ensemble has redefined the character of what is still considered a single musical instrument.



<http://www.phillybells.org>



**SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2011
THE GERMANTOWN
ORATORIO CHOIR**

David C. Daugherty, Music Director
An Afternoon at the Theater
The Met meets Broadway

A concert of theater works including famous opera choruses, solo arias, and music from the American Broadway Theater. Selections from: Carmen, Il trovatore, Madama Butterfly, Nabucco, Porgy and Bess, A Chorus Line, Ain't Misbehavin', Camelot, Evita, The Secret Garden, They're Playing My Song, and many others.....



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