



Women in Harmony

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Dear Friend:

Thank you for your interest in Women in Harmony. We are a non-profit chorus of 60 women and we have been a proud member of Portland's dynamic arts community for two decades.

We love singing however the production of four concerts a year is an expensive undertaking. Our expenses include sheet music, rehearsal and performance space, professional salaries, marketing costs, and scholarships. To offset these expenditures, we solicit grants, hold fundraisers, require membership dues, and rely heavily on volunteer efforts by our members. We also depend on supporters like you! Your generous contribution enables us to share our appreciation for choral music and make our music come alive for our community.

You can support Women in Harmony by:

*Buying a concert program advertisement, which will appear in four concert programs during the performance season. Ads start at \$75 and will be seen by hundreds of audience members who share your passion for the arts.

*Becoming a sponsor for \$10 - \$1,000+. Sponsors names appear in four concert programs per season and may include complimentary tickets.

Your support is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law for a 501(c)(3) organization.

To advertise or to become a sponsor, please complete the accompanying form and submit it with payment and camera-ready artwork by November 22 or e-mail to **adswihmaine@gwi.net**

We sing for unity among women and among all people, to bring hope and change to our world. We are so grateful to count you among our valued supporters and look forward to seeing you in our audience.

Thank you!

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2017 CONCERT PERFORMANCES Portland, Maine

Winter:

Woodfords Congregational Church
Friday, January 20, 7:30pm
Saturday, January 21, 4pm

Spring:

Location TBA
Saturday, May 6
Sunday, May 7

OUR MISSION

We are a chorus of women's voices, singing for unity among women and advocating social, political, and economic equality for all women.

MORE ABOUT WOMEN IN HARMONY

- *Founded in 1993. WIH has been under the direction of Catherine Beller-McKenna since 1999.
- *We welcome all women with no barriers due to sexual orientation, race, class, ethnicity or economic background. Scholarships are available to women who need financial assistance.
- *We support women with a wide variety of singing experience and encourage musical growth.
- **Community outreach is important to our mission.* We have partnered with many local organizations and sung with other choruses over the years, among them:
 - American Cancer Society and the Cancer community Center (2016)
 - Pihcintu Multinational Children's Chorus (2011)
 - Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project (2011)
 - Maine Gay Men's Chorus (2010)
- *In 2011 we produced our second professionally-recorded CD, *A Voice Upon the Mountain*. Our first CD, *Women in Harmony at Ten* was released in 2004. We hope to have a new CD soon!
- *We established the *Betsy Tiemann Memorial Conducting Internship* in 2011 as a way to support the education of local women striving to become choral conductors.
- *Recently we received a *Davis Family Foundation Grant*, *Artists in Maine Communities Grant* from Maine Arts Commission and the *Alfred Nash Patterson Grant* from Choral Arts New England.
- *We have premiered a number of works by women composers, including Elizabeth Alexander, Gwyneth Walker, and Maine's own Erica Quin-Easter.
- *We were thrilled to participate in the national Sister Singers Festival in July 2014 and are heading back in 2018.