MSU Choral Union to Hold Auditions

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EAST LANSING, Mich. — The Michigan State University Choral Union will hold auditions for its 2012-13 season on Wed., August 29 and Wed., September 5, at 6 p.m. Auditions will take place on the MSU campus in Room 147 of the Communication Arts and Sciences Building, which is at the southeast corner of Red Cedar and Wilson. The first rehearsal will also be Wed., August 29, so those auditioning should be prepared to stay for rehearsal that evening.

Auditionees should be prepared to vocalize and sing the first verse of The Star Spangled Banner. Previous choral singing experience is desirable, but not required. No appointment is necessary but auditionees are asked to come at 6 p.m. for a general information session. Individual auditions will follow immediately.

The MSU Choral Union is conducted by David Rayl, director of choral programs at MSU. “The group is made up of adult singers from throughout the greater Lansing area,” says Rayl. “Its members come with a wide variety of musical experiences and abilities. The unifying element is their common love of choral singing.” The ensemble rehearses on Wednesday evenings, 7-9 p.m. from late August through April.

Members pay a $45 per semester registration fee and pay for their own musical scores. The 2012-13 season will include a performance of Brahms' German Requiem on November 10, with the Lansing Symphony Orchestra and Haydn's Harmonie-Messe with the MSU Symphony Orchestra on April 27. For additional information, please contact musgrad@msu.edu or (517) 353-9122.

Founded in 1993, the Community Music School (CMS) is the outreach division of the MSU College of Music. The mission of CMS is to provide comprehensive music education – quality instruction, related music services, and educational programs – for interested individuals of all ages and levels.