



## **The Twin City Choristers**

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## **The Twin City Choristers Accepted As Newest Member of The Arts Council of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County**

**Winston-Salem, NC** – The Twin City Choristers, an all male performing choral group, was recently welcomed as the newest member of The Arts Council of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County. A celebration reception kick off will be hosted on Sept. 7, 2007, from 6-9 p.m., at WhiteSpace Gallery in the historic Piedmont Leaf Lofts at 401 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 202.

The reception will initiate the beginning of The Choristers' fundraising effort for their "From the Heart" 50th Anniversary Concert scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 14, 2007, at 4 p.m., in The Arts Council Theatre at 610 Coliseum Drive. The concert performance will be dedicated to the organization's founder, Dr. Permilla Flack Dunston, who passed away October 2006.

As a non-profit organization, all donations for this event are tax deductible. Proceeds from fundraisers, donations, concert ticket sales, sponsorships, and souvenir booklet ad sales will be used to endow a scholarship in Dr. Dunston's honor for male choral students attending an accredited college or university.

"We are truly gratified by our recognition as a member of The Arts Council of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County," said Dr. Fred Tanner, The Chorister's director. "With the Council's support, we hope to play an even larger role in the cultural offerings of our increasingly diverse community."

The Choristers were organized in 1957 by Dr. Dunston, who had been urged by Dr. A. L. Cromwell, a prominent Winston-Salem dentist and musician, to pursue her dream of organizing an all male chorus. Cromwell had directed a similar group of men called The Twin City Glee Club in the early 1920's. Following his advice, in September of 1957, Dr. Dunston founded and organized The Twin City Choristers and served as the group's first music director.

The Choristers have performed in churches, schools and concert halls in and around Winston-Salem, throughout North Carolina, and done concert tours to New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, and Connecticut. As members of the mainstream arts community in Winston-Salem, The Choristers have participated in concerts with the Winston-Salem Symphony, the Piedmont Chamber Singers, and Winston-Salem State University.

The Choristers currently have two CDs on the market. *Reflections* was recorded in 2004 and *Christmas With The Twin City Choristers*, recorded in 2005. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert will be recorded live and pre-orders will be taken at the concert.

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