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THE WASHINGTON BACH CONSORT

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SEASON FINALE WITH *MAGNIFICAT!*

DC'S HIDDEN GEM *NOONTIME CANTATA SERIES* CONCLUDES FOR THE SEASON

“BACH IN TIME” TO RETURN TO SITAR ARTS CENTER IN MAY

CONSORT'S ANNUAL FUNDRAISER AT BELGIAN AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

Washington, D.C.—The Washington Bach Consort, the Nation's Premier Baroque Chorus and Orchestra, conducted by founder and music director J. Reilly Lewis, concludes its 32nd season with *Magnificat!* on May 2, 2010 at 3pm at The National Presbyterian Church. For our grand finale in May, we will revisit a program that we recorded years ago, two large-scale settings of the *Magnificat!*, one by J.S. Bach and the other by his brilliantly innovative son, C.P.E. Bach. *Magnificat!* conducted by esteemed music director J. Reilly Lewis will feature full chorus and orchestra with soloists soprano Jennifer Ellis Kampani, mezzo soprano Anne-Marieke Evers, alto Marjorie Bunday, tenor Dustin Lucas, bass Jon Bruno and Scott Dettra on the organ.

Magnificat! will be preceded by an hour-long lecture presented by world-recognized Bach scholar Michael Marissen, Professor of Music at Swarthmore College. The lecture will begin at 2pm, immediately preceding the concert. There will be a reception immediately following the performance.

Tickets to *Magnificat!* are currently on sale on our website: www.bachconsort.org. For more information, contact the Consort at 202.429.2121 or www.bachconsort.org.

The ever popular **Noontime Cantata Series**, which was just recently included in *Washingtonian Magazine's* April 2010 *Hidden Gem* issue, will conclude in May for the season. This free-of-charge concert will be given at the Church of the Epiphany, located at 13th & G Streets, NW, Washington, DC, ½ block from the Metro Center metro station on Tuesday, May 4 at 12:10 p.m. The performance includes *Barmherziges Herze der ewigen Liebe*, BWV 185 and *Prelude & Fugue in G Major*, BWV 541 with organist Julie Vidrick Evans.

“Bach in Time” the Consort’s education program will return to Sitar Arts Center on May 12th and 13th. Two forty-five minute performances will take place at 10:30am and 12:00pm on each day at the Sitar Arts Center located at 1700 Kalarama Road, NW. The Washington Bach Consort’s “Bach in Time” program is focused on introducing young audiences to the music of J.S. Bach. Third graders discover the significance of early music in modern times through this interactive program which tells the story of Bach’s life by means of a play interspersed with numerous short pieces performed by Consort artists on period instruments. We strive to create an appreciation of early music that will last a life time.

The Bach Consort’s **Annual Spring Fundraiser** will be held on May 20, 2010 and will be hosted by the Ambassador of Belgium and Mrs. Matthysen at their residence on Foxhall Road. Tickets are \$250 per guest and space is limited. Corporate sponsorships are now available for the 2010-2011 Season. Please contact Janey Moskowitz at jmoskowitz@bachconsort.org for more information about this event.

Magnificat
Sunday, May 2, 2010 3:00 p.m.
National Presbyterian Church
4101 Nebraska Ave NW
Washington, DC 20016
*****FREE PARKING*****
Tickets: \$23, \$38, \$48, \$58
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Noontime Cantata Series
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***Prelude & Fugue in G Major*, BWV 541**
Tuesday, May 4, 2010, 12:10 p.m.

**Church of the Epiphany
13th & G Streets NW, Washington, DC
Free Admission**

**“Bach In Time”
Wednesday, May 12, 2010, 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 13, 2010, 10:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.
Sitar Arts Center
Program for 2nd – 4th grade students**

**WBC Annual Spring Reception and Fundraiser
Thursday, May 20, 2010, 6:30 p.m.
The Belgian Ambassador’s Residence
2300 Foxhall Road, NW
Washington, DC
Tickets: \$250 per guest, space is limited
Corporate Sponsorships Available**

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