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## Capture the Holiday Spirit with Schola Cantorum of Silicon Valley

Mountain View, CA - November 10, 2017 - 'Tis the season for singing, and Schola Cantorum of Silicon Valley offers two events to get you in the holiday spirit—a traditional Christmas concert and the 51st Messiah Sing-Along, both held at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, 500 Castro Street, in Mountain View.

Kicking off the season with "Warmest Christmas Traditions," the choir sings favorites like "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas," "Away in a Manger," and "Silent Night," as well as a Conrad Susa medley of carols, and a Rachmaninoff setting of "Ave Maria". This family-friendly event includes an audience sing-along, and a surprise visit at concert's end. Sunday, December 17 at 3:00 pm. Tickets: \$31 adults, \$22 students (under 21), \$18 children (12 and under).

The audience becomes the choir when friends and families gather for the 51st annual Handel's "Messiah." From treasured arias to the "Hallelujah" chorus, this crowd-pleaser, with a 25-piece chamber orchestra led by Music Director Gregory Wait, is the Bay Area's oldest annual Messiah Sing. Bring your own score, or borrow one at the door. Monday, December 18, 7:30 pm. Tickets: \$26 adults, \$18 students (under 21), \$20 for groups of 10 or more.

Through its performances and outreach activities, Schola Cantorum is dedicated to building community by sharing the joy of singing. "In addition to the value of music as a wonderful addition to our lives, it's intrinsic to our being, learning, and living," says Wait. "Music helps us connect to ourselves and each other, something we need more and more of these days."

Tickets for both events may be purchased at the Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts ticket office, by phone at 650-903-6000, or online at www.MVCPA.com. Tickets purchased by phone or online are subject to service charges. There are no service charges for walk-up sales. A \$2.00 Facility Use Fee is included in the ticket price. For more information, visit ScholaCantorum.org.

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