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Tina Johns Heidrich is the Founder and Music Director of the Connecticut Master Chorale. A dynamic leader with her own distinct vision and style, she consistently produces impressive performances filled with sensitivity, emotion and passion, engaging both singers and audience. Her unique approach of "work hard but have fun" and her immense energy ensure an exciting and educational experience for her singers, while eliciting their very finest performance quality.

Her success has been enthusiastically confirmed by a music critic who wrote, "Once again Heidrich and the Connecticut Master Chorale demonstrated the flawless vocal execution and high level of their musicianship, as well as imaginative programming."

Directions and parking for First Congregational Church of Danbury

The church is located at 164 Deer Hill Ave., at the intersection of West Street and Deer Hill Avenue in Danbury, across from City Hall.

Eastbound on Interstate 84: Take I-84E in Connecticut to Exit 5. Go straight from the exit ramp onto Downs Street. At the light, turn right onto Main Street. Follow Main Street south for approximately 1.5 miles and turn right onto West Street. In 1/4 mile turn left onto Deer Hill Avenue. The church is on the right corner.

Westbound on Interstate 84: Take I-84W in Connecticut to Exit 5. Make a right turn off the exit ramp onto Main Street. Follow Main Street south for approximately 1.5 miles and turn right onto West Street. In 1/4 mile turn left onto Deer Hill Avenue. The church is on the right corner.

There is plenty of parking - look for signs. Parking meters are free on Sundays.

More detailed information, including maps, is available on our website:

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Connecticut Master Chorale

**2014-2015
 Concert
 Season**

Tina Johns Heidrich
 Music Director
 and
 Conductor

Our 16th Season

The Connecticut Master Chorale

was founded in 1999 by Music Director and Conductor Tina Johns Heidrich with the concept of forming an exceptional group, capable of singing the traditional choral repertoire to the highest standards and able to perform her signature eclectic programming with versatility and enthusiasm. Now in our sixteenth season, critics have described us as "an outstanding chorus" and "as close to a heavenly choir as anything you can find in this world."

In addition to regularly scheduled performances, our other accomplishments include a Christmas Concert at the White House, a U.S. premiere performance at Lincoln Center, three Carnegie Hall concerts, as well as concerts at West Point, Madison Square Garden, and with the Ridgefield Symphony - all by invitation. We won the annual McDonald's Gospelfest Competition three years in a row and have appeared on ABC TV.

Our recordings are frequently heard on WMNR Fine Arts Radio in Connecticut, New York and recently also on WJMJ in Hartford.

We will begin the 2014-2015 season with our annual **Holiday Prelude Concert** at the **First Congregational Church of Danbury**. We are returning to this historic 1908 meeting house with its wonderful acoustics and comfortable upholstered pews because our audience response from last year was so positive about this beautiful venue.

This popular concert has become a tradition for many and will feature a wide variety of seasonal and festive selections, including music with steel drums and brass ensemble. A combination of new choral versions of old favorites along with less familiar music from many cultures will provide jubilant and exalted sounds of the season.

In March, we will present a new work by American composer Dan Forrest, **Requiem for the Living**, an uplifting and inspiring reflection on life, love, loss and renewal.

This concert will also include **Feel the Spirit** by the incomparable John Rutter - a unique collection of spirituals ending with a rousing rendition of "When the Saints Go Marching In".

Connecticut Master Chorale



Tina Johns Heidrich
 Music Director and Conductor
 Joseph Jacovino, Jr., Accompanist
 Connecticut Master Chorale Orchestra

2014-2015 SEASON

**Both concerts at
 First Congregational
 Church of Danbury, CT**

Holiday Prelude Concert

Sunday, November 23, 2014 - 3 pm



Requiem for the Living
 by Dan Forrest

Feel the Spirit
 by John Rutter

Sunday, March 29, 2015 - 3 pm

\$20 in advance - \$25 at the door

For tickets, call (203) 743-0473

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**HOLIDAY PRELUDE CONCERT
 November 23, 2014**

Welcome to Our Wondering Sight - Bradley Ellingboe's joyful and inspiring anthem welcomes all to experience the glorious birth of the child.

Noel! - The text of the traditional English carol "The First Nowell" is showcased in a gorgeous new setting with infectious rhythms and an impressive original tune.

Now Thank We All Our God - John Rutter's majestic setting of this familiar hymn opens with a dramatic fanfare and is the perfect introduction to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday.

Breath of Heaven - This touching and eloquent song reveals the depth of Mary's faith and trust in God, capturing the true essence of Christmas with a powerful message and expressive music.

A Carol Fantasy - The joyous sound of brass and bells introduces this splendid array of four Christmas carols; *In Dulci Jubilo*, *The Snow Lay on the Ground*, *Noel Nowelet*, and *Personent Hodie*.

CHRISTMAS IN NEW ORLEANS:

A tribute to the great Louis Armstrong, the first jazz soloist to attain international fame. Highlighted are three songs recorded and made famous by the "King of Jazz".

Saludo, Saludo, a carol from Puerto Rico and **Christmas a Come**, a Jamaican carol feature the ever-popular steel drums and Latin percussion instruments.

Let There Be Peace on Earth - In 1955, a husband and wife songwriting team wrote this iconic song about their personal dream of peace for the world. This beautiful choral arrangement by Craig Courtney inspires people of all ages and all walks of life to continue that dream.

Christ Is Born - Traditional carols are interspersed with the jubilant message that "Christ is born and things will never be the same". This is music filled with the boundless excitement, energy and spirit of joy found only in Southern gospel!

Other seasonal selections round out the program that will guarantee a joyous and memorable start to the Holiday season.

Connecticut Master Chorale - CD Order Form

2013 Holiday Prelude Concert	x _____
2012 Holiday Prelude Concert	x _____
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Karl Jenkins: <i>Stabat Mater</i>	
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Vaughan Williams: <i>Bless Ye the Lord</i>	x _____
Glenn McClure: <i>A Caribbean Mass</i>	
André Thomas: <i>Songs From My Heart</i>	x _____
John Rutter: <i>Mass of the Children</i>	
John Rutter: <i>Feel the Spirit</i>	x _____
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