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The Rose Ensemble Presents

CELESTIAL HARVEST: *Music for the End of Time*

St. Paul, Minn.—The Rose Ensemble will open its 2008-2009 Performance Season with “Celestial Harvest: Music for the End of Time,” a concert of medieval and Renaissance vocal works depicting the end of the world as imagined by composers through the ages. A free presentation begins one hour prior to each show.

Early music paints vivid images of the earth’s end: a moment when time stopped, the stars were harvested and eternity dawned. With choral works both chaotic and sublime, The Rose Ensemble evokes a world of angels and demons, saints and seven-headed monsters. Featuring Coptic, Hebrew and Latin chant traditions, soaring English Renaissance motets and a new piece by composer-in-residence John Rommereim (Grinnell College), this program explores human stories on a celestial scale.

This event marks the first time that The Rose Ensemble has presented a concert in both the Cathedral of Saint Paul and its Co-Cathedral, the Basilica of Saint Mary.

Tickets are available through The Rose Ensemble at (651) 225-4340 or www.RoseEnsemble.org. Students and seniors receive \$3 off any regularly-priced ticket.

OCTOBER 10, 8:00 pm

Cathedral of Saint Paul, Sacred Heart Chapel

Reserved sections: \$35, \$25, \$17

OCTOBER 11, 8:00 pm

Basilica of Saint Mary, Minneapolis

Reserved sections: \$35, \$25, \$17

Special offer: Buy 2 tickets, get 1 free!

OCTOBER 12, 4:00 pm

Wayzata Community Church

General seating: \$23

OCTOBER 17, 7:30 pm

Cathedral of Christ the King, Superior, WI

General seating: \$23

Special offer: Buy 2 tickets, get 1 free!

FREE WORKSHOP: October 7, 7:00-9:00 pm: "The Apocalypse in Medieval Music & Art"
Hamline Midway Branch Library, St. Paul / No experience necessary

ABOUT THE ROSE ENSEMBLE The Rose Ensemble reawakens the ancient with vocal music that stirs the emotions, challenges the mind and lifts the spirit. The group tours both nationally and internationally with repertoire spanning 1,000 years and 25 languages. Now entering its thirteenth performance season, The Rose Ensemble is the recipient of the 2005 Chorus America Margaret Hillis Award for Choral Excellence and a first-place winner in the 2007 Tolosa International Choral Competition.

MORE INFORMATION

www.RoseEnsemble.org | (651) 225-4340

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The Rose Ensemble: 2008-2009 PERFORMANCE SEASON

CELESTIAL HARVEST *Music for the End of Time* | Oct. 10-17, 2008

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DIABOLUS IN MUSICA *Machaut's Messe de Nostre Dame* | Nov. 6, 2008

AND GLORY SHONE AROUND *An Early American Christmas* (CD-Release Concert) | Dec. 18-23, 2008

with special guests Voces8 of London

CANDLELIGHT CONCERT *Renaissance Music for Two Choirs* | Feb. 26-28/March 1, 2009

CANTIGAS FROM THE LAND OF THREE FAITHS *A Celebration of Ancient Mediterranean Vocal Music* |
March 28-29, 2009

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