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JOIN HARMONIUM'S ONGOING TRADITION OF MUSICAL EXCELLENCE

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Harmonium Choral Society has a very few openings for excellent singers with good sight-reading skills in the 2010-2011 season. Artistic Director Anne Matlack will be holding auditions by appointment only August 15th through September 10th. The 20-minute auditions are held at Grace Episcopal Church, Madison Avenue at Kings Road in Madison, New Jersey. Contact Dr. Matlack at director@harmonium.org for an appointment. Rehearsals are held Sunday evenings, from the first Sunday after Labor Day through the following May at Grace Lutheran Church, 65 East Main Street in Mendham.

Almost all of Harmonium's 2010-2011 concerts will be presented in Morristown. Its subscription concerts are scheduled for December 11 and 12, 2010 in the beautiful acoustics of St. Peter's Episcopal Church; March 5 and 6, 2011 in the bright, modern space of the Methodist Church on the Green; and June 4 and 5, 2011 at Dr. Matlack's home church, Grace Episcopal Church in Madison.

Harmonium Chamber Singers will be performing at Temple B'nai Or in Morristown on October 9, 2010. Any Harmonium member may audition to be in the Chamber Singers at the beginning of the season. Last season Harmonium started sponsoring a Children's Chorus at the Morristown Neighborhood House, and will be presenting a free concert with them at the Methodist Church on the Green on April 9, 2011. Traditionally, Harmonium singers perform at Morristown's First Night December 31st. This season Harmonium is also honored to be able to perform at the American Guild of Organists' convention in Morristown on July 3, 2011. Visit the Harmonium Choral Society website www.harmonium.org for further information about the chorus, its concerts and for driving directions.

Dr. Matlack's varied programming provides pieces to interest the music professional as well as the serious amateur singer. Dr. Matlack chooses by audition Harmonium members to sing solos within programmed works. Members who are available during the day, evenings, or weekends may volunteer to sing in the Harmonium Outreach Chorus, which performs in retirement homes, libraries, etc. and presents educational assemblies in elementary and middle schools. For music educators seeking Continuing Education Credits, Harmonium Choral Society is a Registered New Jersey Professional Development Provider.

Chorus America honored Harmonium Choral Society with their 2009 Education Outreach Award for Harmonium's annual New Jersey High School Student Choral Composition Contest.

Sherri Rase of *Buzz, Entertainment,* and *Q-On Stage* cites Harmonium's "tight a cappella work." She posted that Dr. Matlack "has created a silky and strong weaving of voices with Harmonium... with an embarrassment of riches in talent among each and every one."

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