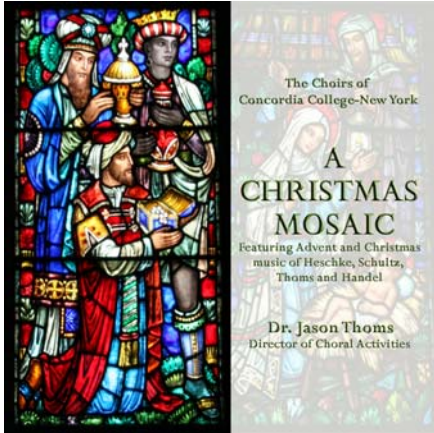


CONCORDIA COLLEGE-NEW YORK MUSIC PROGRAMS RELEASES NEW CHRISTMAS CD



On November 23, 2008, at the Festival Choir Winter Concert, the Concordia College-New York Music Program released its new CD *A Christmas Mosaic*. This recording features Advent and Christmas music written by Richard Heschke, Ralph Schultz, Jason Thoms, and George Frederic Handel. Much of the CD is a live recording from the December 2, 2007 Christmas Concert when Concordia named its College Chapel in honor of longtime choir director and President *Emeritus* Dr. Ralph C. Schultz.

The title track, *Christmas Mosaic*, was written by Dr. Schultz for that concert and is a medley of beloved Advent and Christmas Carols for choir and orchestra, directed by the composer. The CD also includes the *Sinfonia* and selected choruses from the Christmas section of G.F. Handel's

Messiah, directed by Dr. Jason Thoms, Director of Choral Activities. The Festival Choir for both the Schultz and the Handel was a combination of student, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends of Concordia College.

A Christmas Mosaic also contains three new Christmas Carols by Dr. Jason Thoms: *Christmas Bells*; *By-By, Lullay*; and *King of Kings*; which were published in April of 2008 by GIA Music. These pieces are built on time-tested texts by great poets and tell the story of the birth of Christ.

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| 1. The God of Abraham Praise | 7. Angels from the Realms of Glory |
| 2. Exultate Justi | 8. Christmas Bells |
| 3. Salmo 150 | 9. By-By, Lullay |
| 4. O Come, O Come Emmanuel | 10. King of Kings |
| 5. Come Thou Long Expected Jesus | 11. Christmas Mosaic |
| 6. The Message | 12-18. Selections from the Christmas portion
of <i>Messiah</i> |

Order *A Christmas Mosaic* for \$15, including shipping. This CD is an excellent way to share Christmas with family and friends. Please contact Dr. Jason Thoms, Director of Choral Activities at jason.thoms@concordia-ny.edu or mail the order form below to Christmas CD, Department of Advancement, Concordia College, 171 White Plains Road, Bronxville, NY 10708.

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