



The Hibernian Festival Singers

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A Message from the President

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that another Christmas Season is fast approaching. This Fall has already been a busy one for the Hibernian Festival Singers. We began this season with a dinner/dance at Shandon Court in East Islip, celebrating our 30th anniversary. We were honored to have shared the evening with many special guests such as **Msgr. Fagan, Fr. Pizzarelli, Fr. Cunningham, Fr. McCrann and Fr. Coogan** to name a few.

We would like to extend our gratitude to **Gerry Finlay** and the staff of Shandon Court for their generosity and to **Eamonn O'Rourke, Aileen O'Rourke, Brian O'Driscoll and Brian McCormick** who provided the music for the evening. A special thank you to HFS members Maureen McKean and Eileen Maynard, who coordinated this wonderful event.

As this season continued, we were privileged to once again participate in the annual Gold Star Parent's ceremony honoring those deceased men and women who have served in our armed forces. We are especially looking forward to our 24th Annual Christmas Concerts at St. Patrick's Church in Bay Shore as this year will be a tribute to our dear friend, the late **Frank Patterson**. We are thrilled to announce that the show will feature internationally famous tenor, **Karl Scully**, with **Eily Patterson** and the **Celtic Harpists**. Due to the wonderful response last year, we have scheduled two concerts at St. Patrick's: Friday, December 10th and Friday, December 17th.

There are many exciting upcoming performances for the Hibernian Festival Singers, details will follow in our next newsletter. For a complete listing of events, performance schedule, available recordings etc., please visit our new and improved website www.hibernianfestivalsingers.org. And watch for our new CD release based on highlights from the "Irish Ring Opera" featuring the Hibernian Festival Singers.

As always, know of our deep gratitude and appreciation for your on-going support. We look forward to seeing you at our Christmas performances. On behalf of the Executive Board and the Hibernian Festival Singers, I wish you a blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

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Ronnie Allen
Founder & President
Hibernian Festival Singers



Born in Limerick, Ireland, Karl Scully traveled the globe from an early age; from Gabon to Indonesia to Zaire; and to the USA. The common thread proved to be music.

Karl Scully's musical education has included postgraduate studies in opera at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama, the prestigious Manhattan School of Music, and the Royal Irish Academy of Music. Under the tutelage of Dr. Veronica Dunne, Joan Patenaude-Yarnell, Mikael Eliason, Gabriella Ravazzi and Maestro Fabbrini of the Rossini Opera Festival, Karl Scully has developed into a spectacular young tenor of stellar quality.

Mr. Scully has graced the international opera stages in Italy in Orvieto at the Teatro Mancinelli and as resident tenor at the Teatro Carlo Felice in Genoa, Italy. He has performed most recently at the Barga Opera Festival in 2010. Not to be confined to one avenue to showcase his musical talent, Karl Scully appeared with Ewan McGregor in the film "Nora" as he portrayed the legendary tenor Count John McCormack. In 2006, Mr. Scully joined the sensational international group "The Irish Tenors," and starred in their television show "The Irish Tenors and Friends."

Karl Scully has graced the concert stages in the USA as part of "The Irish Tenors," having performed in Avery Fisher Hall at the prestigious Lincoln Center in New York City, as well as other legendary stages such as Wolftrap in Virginia and the Mann Center in Philadelphia. Karl Scully continues to thrill audiences with solo concerts in the USA and in his homeland of Ireland, most recently in a production of "The Magic of Vienna" with soprano Deirdre Masterson, and was the tenor in the much anticipated "Tribute to Frank Patterson-Ireland's Golden Tenor" production this September.

He is most excited to be performing at St. Patrick's RC Church in Bay Shore, continuing the tradition of the great Irish tenor, Frank Patterson.

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Calendar of Events

Gold Star Parents

American Legion Hall
Brentwood, NY
Sunday, Sept. 19, 2010 • 12:00pm

LAOH Mass

Our Lady of the Island
Eastport Manor Road
Eastport, NY
Sunday, Oct. 10, 2010 • 11:30am

Christmas Concert

St. Patrick's Church
9 N. Clinton Ave.
Bay Shore, NY
Friday, Dec. 10, 2010 • 8:00pm

Christmas Concert

St. Patrick's Church
9 N. Clinton Ave.
Bay Shore, NY
Friday, Dec. 17, 2010 • 8:00pm

Christmas Eve Mass

Montfort Spiritual Center
26 South Saxon Ave.
Bay Shore, NY
Friday, Dec. 24, 2010 • 8:00pm

Mass of the Holy Innocents

St. Joseph's RC Church
Babylon, NY
Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2010 • 8:00pm

St. Brigid's Day Mass

St. Joseph's
Brentwood, NY
Sunday, Feb. 6, 2011 • 10:00am

Ronan Tynan Concert

Patchogue Theater for the
Performing Arts
Main St.
Patchogue, NY
Sat., Feb. 26, 2011 • 8pm

St. Patrick's Day Parade Mass

St. Patrick's RC Church
Bay Shore, NY
Sat., March 12, 2011 • 12pm
Parade • 2pm

Hofstra University

TBA

St. John of God Church

Central Islip
TBA

Music Lovers Concert

Methodist Church
Bay Shore, NY
Sun. May 1, 2011 • TBA

Memorial Day Service

Bay Shore Railroad Station
Bay Shore, NY
Monday, May 30, 2011 • 9:00am

Bay Shore Arts Festival

Main Street
Bay Shore, NY
Sunday, June 12, 2011 • 2:00pm

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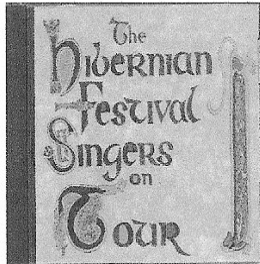


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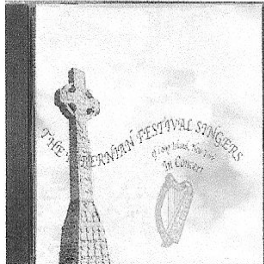


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