

PIEDMONT EAST BAY CHILDREN'S CHOIR WINS ASCAP AWARD

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Philadelphia, PA - The Piedmont East Bay Children's Choir of Oakland, CA, has been awarded the "ASCAP Award for Adventurous Programming." The award was presented to the Choir's Artistic Director, Robert Geary, at a presentation held on Saturday, June 13 at Chorus America's 32nd Annual Conference in Philadelphia.

Commenting on the Adventurous Programming Awards, Frances Richard, ASCAP Vice President and Director of Concert Music said: "The members of ASCAP congratulate those choruses whose past season featured performances of music written by the composers of our time. These choruses not only preserve the great choral music tradition, but assure that it remains vibrant and relevant in the 21st century."

The Piedmont East Bay Children's Choir (PEBCC) is a nonprofit choir incorporated in 1982 to educate and train East Bay children aged 5-18 in the art and technique of music and to perform with the highest artistic standards locally, nationally, and internationally. The Choir has approximately 325 children enrolled in the program representing 17 cities in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. The PEBCC has acquired an international reputation for its dedication to contemporary music and offers children a dynamic education in choral music with an emphasis on ensemble performance, vocal technique, and music theory. The PEBCC has collaborated with such major Bay Area performing arts organizations as the San Francisco Symphony, Cal Performances, Kronos Quartet, Bare Naked Ladies, San Francisco Opera and Oakland East Bay Symphony, and has toured internationally in more than 20 countries.