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Jazz and Beyond – Not your Ordinary Choir

Presenting an epic Daft Punk medley and Rihanna reimagined, Ecco and Ancora, the top performing choirs of the award winning Piedmont East Bay Children's Choir, will present its highly regarded *Jazz and Beyond* concert May 20 at 8:00pm at the Marsh Arts Center in Berkeley.

Cutting edge choral music, a cappella jams, and nightclub solos set the mood of the evening, as sung by Ecco's 40 voice mixed choir under the direction of popular conductor Clifton Massey.

The women's ensemble, Ancora, captures the sounds and rhythms of Mexico City in *A lo Chilango*, composed by rising star composer Diana Syrse. Under the direction of conductor Sue Bohlin, Ancora will also perform the lush *Vocal Fantasy* by local composer Anne Hege, and will channel songwriting wunderkind Lorde in a cover of *Royals*.

Rounding out the evening will be classic jazz and top 40 solos presented by talented teen stars of tomorrow from both choirs. The songs will be familiar but new arrangements will surely surprise and delight.

Tuesday, May 20, 2014 • 8:00pm
The Marsh Arts Center
2120 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA

Tickets \$12/\$18/\$30 advance, \$15/\$20 door
<http://jazzandbeyond.brownpapertickets.com/>

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The award-winning Piedmont East Bay Children's Choir, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, has been in the forefront of the music scene in the East Bay since 1982. The Choir regularly collaborates with major Bay Area arts organizations such as the Oakland East Bay Symphony, the Mark Morris Dance Company, Berkeley West Edge Opera, and

Volti. Each year, PEBCC's comprehensive music curriculum program provides approximately 350 students, ages 4-17, from over 100 schools in three counties an exceptional education in vocal technique and music theory, while inspiring creativity and encouraging engagement with other cultures through international tours. For more information about the Choir and its programs, call 510-547-4441.

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