

THREE MAY CONCERTS CLOSE PIEDMONT EAST BAY CHILDREN'S CHOIR 2014-15  
SEASON ON A HIGH NOTE

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**Oakland, CA (May 8, 2015)** – For audiences who seek to enliven their musical palates, the Piedmont East Bay Children's Choir offers a delightful smorgasbord of concerts in May. The concerts offer something for all ages; including Training Department Recitals, the highly anticipated Jazz and Beyond Concert at the historic Sweets Ballroom, and the family oriented Spring Sing!

In anticipation of this summer's Golden Gate International Choral Festival, the Training Department Recitals, held on May 16, will present an exciting array of internationally themed music with pieces from China, Japan, the Philippines, Austria, Russia, Hungary, Germany, France, Wales, Israel, the Middle East, Canada and Mexico.

Looking for a hot, hot, night of Jazz? Then get down and jive at the Jazz and Beyond Concert, held at Sweets Ballroom on May 21. The highly anticipated concert features jazz favorites including pieces by Dusty Springfield and Bill Withers, an energetic rendition of *Dynamite* by British singer-songwriter Taio Cruz, selections by American composer Melissa Dunphy and the music styling's of Kymry Esainko on piano, Eric Perney on bass and Patricio Angulo on drums. The featured choirs are Ecco, under the baton of Clifton Massey, and Ancora, under the baton of Robert Geary.

Closing PEBCC's 33<sup>rd</sup> season is the extremely powerful *Spring Sing!* held on May 30 at the Oakland Inter-stake Center. This concert showcases ten PEBCC choirs, ages 7 to 17, singing a mix of traditional and contemporary songs. A brief and poignant ceremony honoring this year's graduates, many of whom have sung with Piedmont East Bay Children's Choir for more than half their lives, precedes the dramatic finale uniting all these voices, one final time before graduation, under the baton of Artistic Director Robert Geary. For more information, see [piedmontchoirs.org](http://piedmontchoirs.org) or call 510.547.4441.

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Upcoming Performances:

**Training Department Recitals:**

Saturday, May 16

Park Blvd. Presbyterian Church, Oakland

@ 2:00PM – Boys Training 1, Boys Training 2, and Girls Training 3

@ 5:00PM – Girls Training 1, Girls Training 2, and Girls Training 4

**Jazz & Beyond Concert:**

Thursday, May 21, 6:00pm

Sweet's Ballroom, Oakland

**Spring Sing Concert:**

Saturday, May 30th, 3:00pm

Oakland Inter-Stake Center, Oakland

All concert info and tickets available at [piedmontchoirs.org](http://piedmontchoirs.org).

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Since 1982, the Piedmont East Bay Children's Choir has offered comprehensive choral arts education for students ages 0–18. The program comprises 18 choirs, summer music camps held at Walker Creek Ranch in Marin County, and the acclaimed Golden Gate International Choral Festival. In the Kinder, Training, and Performing Departments, distinguished faculty engage young students in exploration of text and interpretation, music theory, musicianship and vocal training; and the students then use their skills in performance. The older Performing Department choirs tour nationally and internationally each year.

For more information or to schedule an audition for your young singer, contact Piedmont East Bay Children's Choir, (510) 547-4441 or visit the website at [piedmontchoirs.org](http://piedmontchoirs.org).

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