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NE OHIO'S

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PROGRAM

METROPOLITAN CHORUS

AKRON CITY GOSPEL SINGERS

SUMMIT CHORAL SOCIETY PRESENTS GABRIEL FAURÉ'S *REQUIEM*

Summit Choral Society's Metropolitan Chorus provides relevant, inspiring and ingenuitive programming throughout the Greater Akron community. This choir is a unique adult choral ensemble focusing on a wide variety of music with a concentration on intimately-performed works throughout the area. Representing many diverse backgrounds, cultures, races and beliefs, these multi-generational singers are brought together by their love of the choral arts. They share a dedication to excellence, exploring and preserving choral repertoire from all over the world.

This season includes four distinct featured guest conductors and concert events, with a performance of Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem* to be held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in downtown Akron on February 29th at 4 PM. The Metropolitan Chorus will enchant SCS concert-goers under the direction of featured conductor James Mismas. A choral masterpiece, as edited by John Rutter, accompanied by organ and chamber ensemble, is an expansion of Fauré's original work and prepared by the composer for a performance at the Church of the Madeleine in Paris. It contains two additional movements, the 'Offertoire' and the 'Libera me'. Fauré wrote of the work, "Everything I managed to entertain by way of religious illusion I put into my Requiem, which moreover is dominated from beginning to end by a very human feeling of faith in eternal rest." SCS is delighted to perform this beautiful work within the stunningly gorgeous and reverberant halls of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in downtown Akron under this prolifically talented conductor.

Summit Choral Society is proud to reside and rehearse in Summit Artspace, Akron's *Place for the Creative*, new this season!

Tickets are on sale now for the Requiem by Gabriel Fauré, part of the 30th Anniversary Season!

Complete detailed 2019-2020 season information is available on the website www.summitchoralsociety.org.

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