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The Bronx Concert Singers' 42nd Annual Holiday Concert

Bronx, NY – November 30, 2023 – **Celebrate the Yuletide season** on Saturday afternoon, December 16, 2023 at 2:30 pm, as The Bronx Concert Singers (BCS), guest professional vocalists and chamber orchestra, under the baton of Music Director Robert René Galván, will perform our 42nd Annual Holiday Concert, at St. Helena's RC Church, 1315 Olmstead Ave., in Parkchester, Bronx, NY 10462.

Savor the warmth, tenderness, and joy of this holiday season with traditional carols, spirituals, and selections from Mendelssohn's beloved oratorio "**ELIJAH**". Vivaldi's setting of [Psalm 69] *Deus in adjutorium* is an urgent prayer for divine help. Villa Lobos's *Praesepe* (Manger) contemplates the wonder of Christ's birth in a stable. Christina Rossetti poems are texts for Maurice Besly's *The Shepherd had an Angel* and 21st C composer Ola Gjeilo's *The Rose. Hanerot Halalu* celebrates the solemn triumph of Chanukah.

Orchestral works include R. Vaughan William's Welch pastoral *Rhosymedre* and J.S. Bach's *Concerto for Violin & Oboe, II BWV 1060*.

For additional information please call (917) 743-4641, or visit www.bronxconcertsingers.org.

Tickets are available in advance from BCS and at the door: Tickets are \$20 for General Admission and 2 for \$35; \$15 for Seniors (62+) and College Students with valid id; and \$5 for Children through High School. For groups of 5 or more, call 917-743-4641 for group rates.

- Charge tickets using Visa – MasterCard – Discover Card through **Brown Paper Tickets. Online at : <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/6170648>, or by phone: 1-800-838-3006.** Visit the Tickets page on our website, www.bronxconcertsingers.org, for a direct link. A service charge applies.
- Mail a check to Bronx Concert Singers, P.O. Box 1226, Bronx, NY 10462-0580. Tickets for checks received after December 10th will be held at the BOX OFFICE. Include a self-addressed return envelope and your telephone number for confirmation of receipt and shipment.
- **AT ST. HELENA RECTORY-(718) 892-3232** [1315 Olmstead Ave., Parkchester, Bronx NY 10462]
- Call BCS at 917-743-4641 for local Parkchester delivery.
- At the door on day of concert – only CASH and CHECKS are accepted.

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The Bronx Concert Singers is a nonprofit volunteer concert chorus founded in the Parkchester section of the Bronx by people from all walks of life who love singing great choral music. The chorus presents primarily classical music concerts with professional vocal soloists and either orchestra or chamber ensemble, and has been a source of cultural enrichment in the community since 1981. BCS is the community chorus-in-residence at St. Helena's RC Church.