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**SCHOLA CANTORUM ON HUDSON PERFORMS INNOVATIVE
WORKS ON TRADITIONAL SEASONAL THEMES**

“’Tis the Season: *There is No Rose*” Concerts in Jersey City and Manhattan

Jersey City, NJ – *Schola Cantorum on Hudson* (SCH), the critically acclaimed choral ensemble based in the New Jersey/New York metropolitan area, will present a concert program of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany works that highlight the human experience of the Divine through prophecy, preparation and joy. The program, under the direction of Dr. Deborah Simpkin King, the ensemble’s artistic director and founder, will be performed at 4:00 p.m. on December 6, 2009, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 440 Hoboken Avenue (near Five Corners) in Jersey City, New Jersey. The concert will be reprised at 8:00 p.m. on December 12, 2009, at St. John’s in the Village, 218 West 11th Street in New York City.

The concert program will feature well-known American spirituals, early Shaker tunes, in addition to newer arrangements and works on traditional seasonal themes from composers such as Gerald Near, Williametta Spencer, J. David Moore and SCH’s 2009-2010 Featured Composer Roger Wesby of Wagner College. Dr. King comments that “the artistic expression inherent to the season brings a focus on our experience of human potential, sensing a calling, living that calling, and sharing life’s abundant joy.” Such an artistic expression clearly builds upon the group’s reputation and mission to deepen and enliven the human spirit through high-quality, passionate musical experiences, embodied in innovative programming and promotion of new works.

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All tickets are priced at \$15 in honor of the organization's fifteenth anniversary season. Advance tickets may be purchased online at ScholaOnHudson.org, by phone at (201) 918-3011, or by email at BoxOffice@ScholaOnHudson.org. Groups interested in purchasing a block of ten or more tickets may email: GroupSales@ScholaOnHudson.org for more information on special rates.

Additional information regarding the ensemble and its activities can be obtained online at <http://www.ScholaOnHudson.org>, or by calling (201) 918-3011.

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Schola Cantorum on Hudson is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of the public interest in, and knowledge and understanding of, choral music. Sponsored by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, SCH is governed by a Board of Directors that contributes annually to the work of the organization. The ensemble receives generous funding from the Frank and Lydia Bergen Foundation, the Marjorie Bunnell Charitable Trust, ExxonMobil, and The Provident Bank Foundation. Additionally, the organization is supported by the singing membership as well as enthusiastic individuals and visionary business friends.