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EIU Choral Ensembles to present 'Cathedrals, Castles and Colonies'

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The Eastern Illinois University Choral Ensembles will perform music by English, German, Italian and American composers in the annual "Cathedrals, Castles and Colonies" concert on Sunday, Oct. 11.

The concert is to begin at 4 p.m. in the Doudna Fine Arts Center's Dvorak Concert Hall.

The concert will feature the EIU Concert Choir and Camerata Singers, under the direction of Richard Robert Rossi; and the University Mixed Chorus, directed by Adam Stich.

The Ensembles will perform a wide array of musical selections from early classics to contemporary works, including "Nisi Dominus" by Claudio Monteverdi, "O Schöne Nacht, Op. 92" by Johannes Brahms, "Ziegeunerleben" by Schumann, and "Zion's Walls" by Copland.

Rossi, now in his 10th season as EIU's director of choral activities, wrote two of the program's pieces: "Ave Verum Corpus" and "Stabat Mater."

The concert is sponsored in part by a gift from Christine Gordon.

Seating is reserved. Tickets -- \$5 each, or \$3 for EIU students -- may be purchased in the Doudna Fine Arts Center box office (217-581-3110) from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, or one hour before each performance. Tickets may also be reserved via email at doudnatix@eiu.edu.

The Doudna Fine Arts Center, a division of EIU's College of Arts and Humanities, is located one block west of Ninth Street at Garfield Avenue in Charleston. For more information, visit the website at <http://www.eiu.edu/doudna>.