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CHARLESTON, IL--The Mixed Chorus and Cecilian Singers at Eastern Illinois University will present a concert in Dvorak Concert Hall on Monday, Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m. There is no admission charge.

The Mixed Chorus, directed by Music Professor John Maharg, will open the program with two sacred works: "Ave vera virginitas" by the early Renaissance composer Josquin des Pres, and Joseph Haydn's "Eveningson to God."

These will be followed by three short works by contemporary composers: "Flower of Beauty" by John Clements, "Good Ale" by John Rutter and "Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One" by James McCray.

The final two selections chosen by the chorus are folk arrangements: "Shenandoah" by James Erb and "We're Goin' To That Ball" by Jester Hairston. The latter work is an original composition based on Negro folklore. Susan Balmer and James Litzelman will be featured as piano accompanists.

The Cecilian Singers, directed by Music Professor James Brinkman, will sing the contemporary work, "The Place of the Blest" composed by Randall Thompson in 1968. Thompson's setting in four movements, includes poems by Robert Herrick and Richard Wilbur. The pianist will be Stephen Wisely of Oblong.