

## The Membership of Forest City Singers

Elizabeth Anderson, *alto*  
Alice Bewie, *soprano*  
John Bewie, *baritone*  
Nancy Burgard, *soprano*  
Sheryl Elson, *alto*  
Diane Ferri, *soprano*  
Linda Frank, *alto*  
Will Greenberg, *tenor*  
Heber Hanson, *bass*  
Grace Helmuth, *alto*  
Tom Johns, *tenor*

Betsy Kmetzko, *alto*  
J. Hilton Luce, *baritone*  
William Mast, *baritone*  
Charles McDonald, *tenor*  
Carol Moore, *soprano*  
Barbara Parisen, *soprano*  
Jeffrey Previte, *baritone*  
Bonnie Savage, *soprano*  
Robert J. Sprafka, *bass*  
Keith Sykora, *bass*  
Linda Zwick, *alto*

## A brief history of Forest City Singers

Forest City Singers was founded in 1993 by Virginia Wieland-Mast as an intimate group of 8 experienced classical singers. Since that time the membership has almost tripled. Members have served in the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus, Cleveland Opera Chorus, University Circle Chorale and Chamber Choir (Cleveland Institute of Music-Case Western Reserve University), Cleveland Singers Club, Cleveland Choral Arts Society, Cleveland Messiah Singers, Lakeland Civic Chorus, Lake Erie College Chorale, Western Reserve Chorale, as well as being mainstays and soloists in church and temple choirs around the Cleveland area. Several members teach music, and several regularly perform soli and duets in the Cleveland area.

The repertoire includes 16th and 17th century English, French and German madrigals; German Lieder; chamber oratorios; spirituals (white and black); and Broadway show tunes. Christmas music not often heard is also a specialty. Group members occasionally perform as soloists and duets during longer programs.

## Virginia Wieland-Mast

Ginie is a graduate of the Eastman school of Music, having received a Bachelor's degree of Music (BM) in Voice and Music Education with honors. She received a Master of Music degree from the Cleveland Institute of Music, majoring in voice.

She worked with Robert Shaw for nine years, singing and studying. Another nine years was spent singing with the Cleveland Opera. She has performed as a soloist and assistant choir director since college at several Cleveland area churches.

She is active as a voice teacher and coach, with over a dozen students ranging from high school age to adults.

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Our full repertoire and recent performance photographs may be viewed on our World Wide Web page: <http://forestcitysingers.com>. You may e-mail Ms. Mast: [ginhelm@mindspring.com](mailto:ginhelm@mindspring.com)

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# Home For The Holidays

Breckenridge Retirement Community  
Tuesday, December 4, 2001

Judson Retirement Communities:  
Judson Park, Tuesday, December 11, 2001  
Judson Manor, Tuesday, December 18, 2001



Virginia Wieland-Mast  
Founder and Director

# HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS



Break Forth, O Beauteous Heav'nly Light                      Bach

An Hymn for Christmas Day                                      East

The First Christmas    Fricker

Prayer from "Hansel and Gretel"                              Humperdink

Virginia Mast, *soprano*  
Barbara Parisen, *soprano*

Angels We Have Heard on High                              arr. Parker-Shaw

A Christmas Carol    Ives

Fum, Fum, Fum    arr. Parker-Shaw

The Christchild Carol    Bennett

Hanuakkah Holiday    Swears

Winds Through the Olive Trees                              Shaw  
Erica Meiling, *flute*

What Child is This?    Trad. Eng. Carol

Jesus, the Christ is Born                                      Trad. Eng. Carol

J. Hilton Luce, *guitar, baritone*

Silent Night    arr. Parker-Shaw

Landlord Fill the Flowing Bowl                              arr. Ehret

As It Fell upon a Night    Davis

The Christmas Song    Torme

We Need a Little Christmas                                  Hermans



Pianist : Mark Baker