

The Membership of Forest City Singers

Alice Bewie, <i>soprano</i>	Majorie Kitchell, <i>alto</i>
Chris Brandt, <i>baritone</i>	Nana Landgraff, <i>alto</i>
Linda Frank, <i>alto</i>	Patricia Parsons, <i>soprano</i>
Jason Fuh, <i>bass</i>	Bonnie Savage, <i>soprano</i>
Mary Gresky, <i>soprano</i>	Cecilia Smith, <i>soprano</i>
Alex Jamieson, <i>tenor</i>	Keith Sykora, <i>bass</i>
Nancy Jamieson, <i>alto</i>	Diana Vargo, <i>alto</i>
Tom Johns, <i>tenor</i>	Carol Wedell, <i>alto</i>
Ger Kadis, <i>tenor</i>	David Wittmer, <i>tenor</i>

A brief history of Forest City Singers

Forest City Singers was founded in 1993 by Virginia Wieland-Mast, following a summer of 1992 choral seminar in France with Robert Shaw. The group began with a double quartet of experienced singers gleaned from the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus and the Cleveland Opera Chorus. Since that time FCS has more than doubled in size, its members having sung in University Chorale, Cleveland Choral Arts Society, Cleveland Messiah Singers, The Singers Club, and Western Reserve Chorale, as well as area churches and synagogues. Several members are music teachers and active performers as soloists in the Cleveland area.

The repertoire includes 16th and 17th century English, French and German madrigals; German lieder; chamber oratorios; spirituals, and Broadway show tunes. Christmas music not often heard is also a specialty.

Virginia Wieland-Mast

Virginia is a graduate of the Eastman school of Music, having received a Bachelor's degree of Music (BM) in Voice and music education with high honors. She earned a Master of Music degree (MM) from the Cleveland Institute of Music, in Voice.

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

She is also active as a voice teacher and coach. Virginia is an active member of Cecilian Musical Club of Cleveland, and is a past president. She is the current director and conductor of the Cleveland Messiah Chorus which will give its 91st annual performance on Nov 18 at Grace Lutheran Church in Cleveland Heights.

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FCS repertoire, performance history, performance photographs, selected recordings and printed program masters may be viewed on our web page: <http://forestcitysingers.com>. Ms. Wieland-Mast can also be reached by e-mail: ginhelm@ameritech.net

program: R.J. Sprafka

HOLIDAY JOY!

Tuesday, November 26, 2013 at 7:30 PM
Judson Retirement Communities
Judson Park on Amboleside
Cleveland, Ohio, (University Circle)

Wednesday, December 18, 2013 at 6:30 PM
Cleveland Skating Club
2500 Kemper Road, Shaker Hts, Ohio



Virginia Wieland-Mast
Founder and Director

HOLIDAY JOY!



Lobet den Herrn alle Heiden
(Psalm 117)

Johann Sebastian Bach

Praise God, all ye peoples,
Praise Him, all ye nations for his merciful kindness is great
and his truth endureth forever.

Sally Long, *cellist*

Hanukkah Holiday

Linda Swears

Ma'oz Tzur (Rock of Ages)

traditional

Hiney Mah Tov

arr. Iris Levine

How good it is to live as one, brothers and sisters, one world!

PAUSE

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Felix Mendelssohn

Carol of the Bells

arr. Peter Wilhousky

O Come all Ye Faithful

arr. Parker-Shaw

Ding Dong! Merrily on High

arr. Charles Wood

Angels We Have Heard on High

arr. Parker-Shaw

Have Yourself a Merry Little
Christmas

arr. Mac Huff

The Christmas Song

Mel Torme

Mary Gresky, *soprano*

Deck the Hall

arr. Blake Hamilton

Silent Night

Franz Gruber

We Wish You a Merry Christmas

arr. Arthur Warrell

Monica Marinko, pianist

