

## The Membership of Forest City Singers

Alice Bewie, *soprano*  
Chris Brandt, *baritone*  
Linda Frank, *alto*  
Mary Gresky, *soprano*  
Alex Jamieson, *tenor*  
Nancy Jamieson, *alto*  
Tom Johns, *tenor*  
Ger Kadis, *tenor*  
Majorie Kitchell, *alto*  
Nana Landgraff, *alto*

Bonnie Savage, *soprano*  
Cecilia Smith, *soprano*  
Keith Sykora, *bass*  
Diana Vargo, *alto*  
Carol Wedell, *alto*  
Al Wilson, *baritone*  
David Wittmer, *tenor*  
Dick Yates, *bass*  
Melodie Yates, *soprano*

## 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 91<sup>st</sup> annual performance on Nov 18 at Grace Lutheran Church in Cleveland Heights.

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](mailto:ginhelm@ameritech.net)

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# Oldies, But Goodies

Judson Retirement Communities  
Cleveland, Ohio, (University Circle)

Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 7:30 PM  
Judson Park on Lakeside

Tuesday, April 22, 2014 at 6:30 PM  
Judson Manor



Virginia Wieland-Mast  
Founder and Director

# OLDIES, BUT GOODIES



Kiss Me Kate  
(1948)

Cole Porter

Summertime  
"Porgy and Bess" (1935)

Alice Bewie, *soprano*

George Gershwin

Sentimental Journey  
(1944)

Bud Green, Les Brown,  
Ben Homer

Dream  
(1944)

Johnny Mercer

When You're Smiling  
(1929)

Al Wilson, *baritone*

Mark Fisher, Joe Goodwin,  
Larry Shay

Stardust  
(1927)

Hoagy Carmichael,  
Mitchell Parish

It's a Good Day  
(1956)

Peggy Lee,  
Dave Barbor

Only Make Believe  
"Showboat": (1927)

Mary Gresky, *soprano*

Jerome Kern,  
Oscar Hamerstein II

Dancing in the Dark  
(1931)

Arthur Schwartz,  
Howard Dietz

My Hero  
"The Chocolate Soldier" (1908)

Mary Gresky, *soprano*  
Tom Johns, *tenor*

Oscar Strauss

It's a Big, Wide,  
Wonderful World (1939)

John Rox

Monica Marinko, pianist

