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Lyric Consort Will Celebrate “Spice of Life”

Acappella Program will include Love Songs, Spirituals, World Music, and More

WILKES-BARRE/SCRANTON, PA – The Lyric Consort, northeast Pennsylvania’s critically acclaimed professional vocal ensemble, will conclude its 2018-2019 concert season on **Saturday, May 11th at 8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of St. Luke’s Episcopal Church of Scranton.** The program, entitled *Spice of Life*, will include a wide variety of secular and sacred selections, ranging from music of Love and Flowers, Spirituals, and Canadian Fishing Songs to folk and popular music from South of the Border and Africa and The Beatles. Featured works and composers will include Eric Whitacre’s *Flower Songs*, music of Karl Jenkins and the celebrated British acappella ensemble Voces 8, and new music from American composers Jake Runestad and Elaine Hagenberg.

General Admission is \$10.00 for all adults, with all students admitted free-of-charge.

Tickets are available at the door and a reception will follow.

Formed in 1993, to explore the myriad riches of the world’s acappella traditions, the Lyric Consort maintains an annual concert series in Scranton and has performed throughout the northeast United States as members of the former Pennsylvania Performing Arts on Tour program. The ensemble also offered many of its early performances at St. Stephen’s Pro-Cathedral and has been heard many times on the “Music from St. Stephen’s” program of WVIA-

FM. Members of the Consort include; Dr. Alan Baker, artistic director/tenor; Lisa Cardoni, alto; Francis McMullen, bass; Christopher Gallo, bass; Mara O'Malley, soprano; Carol McMullen, alto; Dr. Steven Thomas, tenor; and Leslie Mason Moran, soprano.

This program is supported by state arts funding through a grant from the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency. This Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts program is managed regionally by the Pocono Arts Council. The concert is also generously supported by a Lackawanna County Community Arts and Culture Grant, a program of Lackawanna County Commissioners Patrick M. O'Malley, Jerry Notarianni, and Lauren A. Cummings.

For more information on The Lyric Consort, visit the website at www.lyricconsort.com or call at (570) 343-6707.

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