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## PRESS RELEASE

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### Cathedral High School Singers Invited to Perform in New York City's Lincoln Center

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Outstanding music program receives special invitation

Distinguished Concerts International New York City (DCINY) announced today that director Tyler Lemen and the Cathedral High School Singers have been invited to participate in a performance on the DCINY Concert Series in New York City. This performance will be at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall on Saturday, April 12, 2014. These outstanding musicians will join with other choristers to form the Distinguished Concerts Singers International, a choir of distinction. Conductor Dr. Scott Buchanan will lead the performance and will serve as the clinician for the residency.

Why the invitation was extended

Dr. Jonathan Griffith, Artistic Director and Principal Conductor for DCINY states: "The Cathedral High School Singers received this invitation because of the quality and high level of musicianship demonstrated by the singers and the recommendation given by Dr. Scott Buchanan. It is quite an honor just to be invited to perform in New York. These wonderful musicians not only represent a high quality of music and education, but they also become ambassadors for the entire community. This is an event of extreme pride for everybody and deserving of the community's recognition and support."

The singers will spend 5 days and 4 nights in New York City in preparation for their concert. "The singers will spend approximately 9-10 hours in rehearsals over the 5 day residency," says Griffith. "Not all of the time is spent in rehearsals, since there is so much history and culture to see in New York City. However, the performance is the primary purpose for their visit to the city." Members of the community are encouraged to give financial support in sending these singers to New York by contacting Mr. Lemen at (317) 542-1481 or via email at [tlemen@gocathedral.com](mailto:tlemen@gocathedral.com).

Conductor Scott Buchanan

Dr. Scott Buchanan serves as the Director of Choral Activities in the School of Music at Indiana State University in Terre Haute. Originally from New Jersey, Dr. Buchanan holds a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from Bradley University, a Master's Degree in Music Education from the Florida State University, and a Ph.D. in Music Education from the Conservatory of Music at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Prior to his appointment at ISU, he served on the faculty as Director of Choral Activities at Armstrong Atlantic State University in Savannah, Georgia. Dr. Buchanan began his teaching career at the high school level in Brevard County, Florida, where his groups received acclaim at district, state, and national levels.

Dr. Buchanan is in frequent demand as a choral clinician and adjudicator throughout the United States. Recently, he has been engaged as a choral clinician/guest conductor for workshops, honor choirs, and All-State choirs in

Indiana, North Dakota, Illinois, Nebraska, Georgia, Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, New York, Virginia, and Connecticut. Additionally, he has published articles in the Southeastern Journal of Music Education, the Missouri Journal of Research in Music Education, ICDA Notations, and has written compact disc and choral reviews for the Choral Journal. Dr. Buchanan made his Carnegie Hall debut in 2001 and has made numerous appearances there, including conducting a solo performance with the Indiana State University Concert Choir in 2004. In May 2010, he served as the Artistic Director of the National Memorial Day Choral Festival at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Choirs under his direction have performed throughout the United States, Europe, and Asia. In November 2011, he conducted the High School Festival Chorus at the Asian Pacific Activities Conference in Daejeon, South Korea. He is a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Pi Kappa Lambda Music Honor Society, and maintains active membership in MENC, IMEA, and ACDA. At Indiana State, Dr. Buchanan conducts the select Concert Choir, Sycamore Singers, Masterworks Chorale, and teaches conducting, choral methods, and literature at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. He also serves as faculty advisor for the ISU student chapters of ACDA and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

Outside academia, he has served as the State-wide Director of the Melody Makers of Indiana since 2005 and as the Artistic Director for the Indianapolis Women's Chorus since 2010. Additionally, he has served on the IMEA Board of Directors and currently serves as Vice-President of the Indiana Choral Directors Association.

#### DCINY Productions

Distinguished Concerts International New York (DCINY) is a production company based in New York City. Our concert series includes choral and instrumental concerts in world-class venues including Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall and Alice Tully Hall and Disney Concert Hall in Los Angeles. Founded by Iris Derke (General Director) and Jonathan Griffith (Artistic Director and Principal Conductor) DCINY is driven by passion, innovative vision, a total belief in its artists, and unwavering commitment to bringing forth unforgettable audience experiences. Following our motto "The Art of Performance – The Power of Education", we focus on the educational process while upholding a high performance standard and provide ensembles and conductors of distinction educational and performance opportunities including select solo performances, rehearsal audit, conductor mentoring and debut performances.

#### Tickets

For more information on tickets, group sales or other special offers, please contact us at 212-707-8566 Ext. 307, or [BoxOffice@DCINY.org](mailto:BoxOffice@DCINY.org).

#### Contact & Interviews

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