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SYNOPSIS

Westchester Oratorio Society begins rehearsals Tuesday, September 8, 2015 from 7:00 to 9:15 PM at the beautiful, well-lit, and climate-controlled Garden Room at the Katonah (NY) Village Library, just a short walk from the Metro North station. The group's 2015-2016 Nineteenth Season – its ninth under the direction of Benjamin Niemczyk, features Bach *Magnificat* and Poulenc *Gloria* on Saturday, November 21, 2015, 7:30 pm at the Presbyterian Church of Mount Kisco, and Britten *Rejoice in the Lamb*, Duruflé *Requiem* and Fauré *Cantique de Jean Racine* on Sunday, May 1, 2016, 3 pm at the South Salem Presbyterian Church. Prospective members are invited to join the group for an Open House Rehearsal on Tuesday, September 15. For more information email westchesteroratorio@gmail.com, call 347-223-9303 or visit the group's website, www.westchesteroratorio.org.

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Season highlights include masterworks old and new, from the Baroque to the 20th Century. In the fall the group will present Bach *Magnificat* and Poulenc *Gloria* on Saturday, November 21, 2015, 7:30 pm at the Presbyterian Church of Mount Kisco. In the spring the oratorio society will present three 20th Century masterpieces, Britten *Rejoice in the Lamb*, Duruflé *Requiem* and Fauré *Cantique de Jean Racine* on Sunday, May 1, 2016, 3 pm at the South Salem Presbyterian Church.

Other, more informal singing opportunities are also offered during the season through WOS's Chamber Chorus, which returns to historic Muscoot Farm for the holiday celebrations, and other local venues old and new.

Competent singers in all voice parts with an ability to read music are welcome to join. Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:15 PM at the beautifully renovated, well-lit, and climate-controlled Garden Room at the Katonah Library, which features a Steinway C piano and is just a short walk from the Metro North station.

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Founded in 1997, Westchester Oratorio Society is dedicated to providing a community and educational experience for amateur singers of all levels while bringing exceptional performances with professional orchestras and soloists to local audiences, including the WOS Festival Orchestra and collaborations with such premier groups and artists as

Tiffany Consort and REBEL Baroque Ensemble, as well as its appearances in the New York metropolitan area including with the Brooklyn Philharmonic at Carnegie Hall, the Brooklyn Academy of Music and the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. For more information about singing with Westchester Oratorio Society and the Open Rehearsal email westchesteroratorio@gmail.com, call 347-223-9303 or visit the group's website, www.westchesteroratorio.org . Find WOS on Facebook at www.facebook.com/westchesteroratorio and follow on Twitter at @westchesterora.