

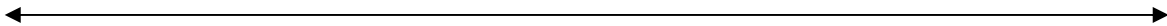


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## News Release

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### Just for Laughs! Gwinnett Choral Guild's Season Finale



(Lawrenceville, GA) The Gwinnett Choral Guild will treat its audience to an evening of grins, giggles and guffaws at its final concert of the season entitled: *A Comedy Tonight: Humor in Choral Music* at Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church on Lawrenceville Highway on Saturday, May 19 at 7pm.

The Guild will perform pieces a variety of pieces from various musical periods showcasing humor in choral music from the cheeky Jacques Offenbach's *Neighbor's Chorus* from the opera "*La jolie Parfumeuse*" to the high-spirited Stephen Sondheim's *Comedy Tonight* from the Broadway musical "*A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*".

The performance will be filled with humorous flavors of all types. A sample of Renaissance period humor will be presented, full of metaphor and double entendre with Antonio Scandello's *The Little White Hen* and *O la, o che bon eccho* (The Echo Song) by Orlando di Lasso. Also, not to be missed is a choral arrangement of the poem, *Jabberwocky*, by Lewis Carroll, author of *Alice in Wonderland*, which many consider to be the greatest nonsense poem of all time.

The Gwinnett Singers, the Guild's 20-person chamber ensemble, will complete their first season with an extraordinary vocal arrangement of Gioacchino Rossini's *William Tell Overture* and a unique Finnish piece entitled *El Hambo* composed by Jaakko Mantyjärvi, guaranteed to elicit a few chuckles from the audience.

The Gwinnett Choral Guild has been entertaining audiences in the metro Atlanta area for the past 24 years. Founded in 1983, is made up of volunteers brought together from a variety of experiences and cultures in the common bond of the love of choral music. The Guild, directed by G. Phillip Shoultz, III, is dedicated to the highest standards of artistic expression. The Guild's repertoire includes spirituals, classical, folk, Broadway and patriotic works, as well as masterworks of the world's great composers.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$25 for couples, \$10 for senior citizens and students. For more information, please visit our website at [www.gwinnettchoralguild.org](http://www.gwinnettchoralguild.org) or phone our ticket hotline at 404-223-9962.

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