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Charlotte Symphony and Morehouse College Glee Club Present Concert to Benefit Student Scholarships

September 20, 2019 | Charlotte, NC—On October 10 at Belk Theater, internationally-recognized Morehouse College Glee Club shares the stage with the Charlotte Symphony in a concert benefiting scholarships for Charlotte area students attending Morehouse College.

The Morehouse College Glee Club, founded in 1911, represents the College in special concerts and assemblies and at numerous events off campus. Notable performances include Martin Luther King Jr.'s funeral, President Jimmy Carter's inauguration, Super Bowl XXVIII, and the 1996 Summer Olympics.

"The audience will experience an HBCU choir singing a variety of music from classical pieces to spirituals to African music that will be entertaining, inspiring, and thought-provoking," said Dr. David E. Morrow, director of the Morehouse College Glee Club. "The partnership with the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra provides an awesome musical opportunity for our students."

Presented by Morehouse College National Alumni Association Charlotte chapter, this concert marks the inaugural performance of an annual partnership with the Charlotte Symphony. All proceeds support scholarships for Charlotte area students attending Morehouse College.

"We are so pleased to partner with Morehouse Alumni Association in bringing Morehouse's fantastic Glee Club to Charlotte," Interim President and CEO Michelle Hamilton shares. "It's an honor to be a part of this partnership to help fund Morehouse scholarships for Charlotte-area students."

Resident Conductor of the Charlotte Symphony Christopher James Lees will lead the Glee Club and Symphony in performance of both choral and symphonic works, including Beethoven's Overture to Fidelio, Powell's "Ascribe to the Lord," and Joel Thompson's Seven Last Words of the Unarmed.

Tickets start at \$25 and are available now for purchase. Student Rush tickets will be available for \$15 with valid student ID beginning two hours prior to the concert at Belk Theater Box Office.

Sponsorship and VIP packages are also available and include valet parking, prime seating and preconcert VIP reception. For more information, contact <u>Michelle Hamilton</u>.

For more information, visit charlottesymphony.org.

About the Charlotte Symphony

Founded in 1932, the Charlotte Symphony is a longstanding nonprofit organization committed to connecting and strengthening the community through exceptional musical experiences. Led by internationally renowned Music Director Christopher Warren-Green, the Symphony upholds the highest artistic integrity and takes bold steps to engage the community through music. We employ professional full-time orchestra musicians, support two youth orchestras, and offer significant educational programming aimed at improving underserved sections of our community. The Charlotte Symphony is integral to the Charlotte area, serving its community through music that connects and inspires. charlottesymphony.org

About Morehouse College Glee Club

The Morehouse College Glee Club celebrated 100 years of its musical legacy throughout the 2011 calendar year, beginning with an Alumni Reunion Concert and recording in February and culminating with a concert at Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall in October. It has continued in this tradition through the dedication and commitment of its members and the leadership that our directors have provided throughout the years. Through its tradition, the Glee Club has an impressive history and seeks to secure its future through even greater accomplishments. It is the mission of the Morehouse College Glee Club to maintain a high standard of musical excellence.

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