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**CHORAL STUDENTS TO DEBUT WITH CHARLOTTE SYMPHONY**

**November 5, 2015** | CHARLOTTE, NC – Seven local high school choral students will experience the thrill of performing live with the Charlotte Symphony November 19-21 at Belk Theater at Blumenthal Performing Arts Center.

The concerts, which will feature the Fauré *Requiem*, will mark the debut of the 2015-2016 Young Artists in Residence program, a new immersive choral initiative of the Charlotte Symphony Chorus.

Students who won auditions come from Charlotte-Mecklenburg and Gaston County schools and have spent the last two months rehearsing the *Requiem* weekly with the Charlotte Symphony Chorus.

“It has been a pleasure to work with these fine young musicians,” says Kenney Potter, director of choruses for the Charlotte Symphony. “This is a great opportunity for them to perform Fauré’s choral masterwork in a professional-caliber setting with the Charlotte Symphony and Charlotte Symphony Chorus.”

The 2015-2016 Charlotte Symphony Chorus Young Artists in Residence are:

Jacob Dyksterhouse, bass, Stuart W. Cramer High School  
Claire Houlihan, alto, Northwest School of the Arts  
Hannah Keel, soprano, South Point High School  
Matthew Noneman, bass, Providence High School  
Trinity Sanford, soprano, Northwest School of the Arts  
Stephenie Santilli, alto, Northwest School of the Arts  
Nathalie Schlesinger, alto, Providence High School

To hear what some of the Young Artists in Residence have to say about their experience, watch this [video](#).

The Charlotte Symphony also is offering **free tickets to all Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools and surrounding county music teachers and their students to the Thursday night performance**, November 19 at 7:30 p.m. at Belk Theater.

Other works on the program include Butterworth’s *A Shropshire Lad* and Ravel’s *Mother Goose Suite*. Music Director Christopher Warren-Green will conduct.

For more information, call 704-972-2000 or visit [charlottesymphony.org](http://charlottesymphony.org).

The Classics concert series is presented to the community by Wells Fargo Private Bank.

**About the Charlotte Symphony**

Founded in 1932 and led by internationally renowned Music Director Christopher Warren-Green, the Charlotte Symphony serves the community through music that educates, entertains, and enriches the human spirit. We are world-class musicians, music teachers, and music lovers. We put violins in the hands of Charlotte's children and actively nurture the next generation with our programs in music education. We bring artistic excellence to Charlotte's parks and hospitals, schools and places of worship, stadiums and concert halls. The Charlotte Symphony is a cornerstone of the cultural community, connecting people and adding value to their lives through music. Connect with us via social media at [@cltsymphony](https://twitter.com/cltsymphony) or visit [charlottesymphony.org](http://charlottesymphony.org).

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