

Ottawa Bach Choir performs season's final concert "*Miserere*"

Ottawa (Canada) – The Ottawa Bach Choir (OBC) will perform *Miserere*, the final concert of its eighth subscription season on Sunday, March 21, 2010, 7:30 pm, at Knox Presbyterian Church, 120 Lisgar Street. The OBC, Ottawa's professional chamber choir under the direction of Lisette Canton, will present inspiring music for Passiontide from the late Renaissance and early Baroque periods. The concert's programme will feature Tomás Luis de Victoria's strikingly beautiful *Officium Defunctorum* as well as works by Allegri, Byrd, Gallus, Schütz and Johann Ludwig Bach, and will be accompanied by a superb continuo on period instruments.

"This rarely heard music from the late Renaissance and early Baroque periods will give Ottawa audiences a chance to experience some of the most beautiful choral music ever written," says Founder and Artistic Director, Dr. Lisette Canton. *"Listeners will be moved and inspired by the inimitable ways in which these remarkable composers express the pathos of this universal theme."*

The Ottawa Bach Choir, which has received both national and international acclaim, was founded in 2002 by Lisette Canton and consists of some of the top choristers from the National Capital Region and beyond. Highlights from the choir's successful *Christmas Around the World* concert were recently featured on Radio Canada's Espace Musique and CBC Radio 2. With the combination of a scholarly and emotional approach, the Choir hopes to provide an unforgettable experience of choral music at its best.

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Ottawa Bach Choir
Lisette Canton, Conductor

Miserere

features Victoria's *Officium Defunctorum* and Allegri's *Miserere mei*, Byrd's *Miserere mei*, Gallus' *Ecce, quomodo moritur justus*, Schütz' *Passionsmotetten* and Johann Ludwig Bach's *Das Blut, Jesu Christi* with continuo.

Sunday, March 21, 2010, 7:30 pm

Knox Presbyterian Church, corner Lisgar & Elgin, Ottawa

Tickets: Reserved \$35, Adults \$25, Seniors (60+) \$20, Students and Youth (13-17) \$10 (with ID)

Tickets are available at: Leading Note, 370 Elgin; Compact Music, 190 and 785-A Bank; CD Warehouse (all locations), and at the door (depending on availability)

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