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Dr. Julia Davids enjoys a career as a versatile musician. She holds degrees in Education, Conducting, and Voice Performance from the University of Western Ontario (London, Ontario), the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, Michigan) and a D.M. from Northwestern University. Julia has been Music Director of the North Shore Choral Society since 2009. As a soprano soloist, she is a performer and recitalist having appeared with Bella Voce, Callipygian Players, the Haymarket Opera, Music of the Baroque, and others.



She is the Stephen J. Hendrickson Endowed Chair of Choral Activities at North Park University, Chicago where she directs the choirs and teaches conducting and music education. Julia has been the Artistic Director of the Canadian Chamber Choir since 2004. Julia is also Director of Music Ministries at Trinity United Methodist Church, Wilmette. She is co-author of the book *Vocal Technique: A Guide for Conductors, Teachers, and Singers*. She resides in Skokie with her husband, baroque violinist Martin Davids and their two children, Judith and Solomon.



Pianist and organist extraordinaire, recitalist and coach, Sharon Rich Peterson, begins her 28th year with NSCS. Sharon has been with the Chicago Symphony Chorus since 1978, and has worked with Chicago Symphony Singers, CSC's resident ensembles, North Park, Northwestern, and Roosevelt universities. Sharon is organist at North Park Theological Seminary and North Park Covenant Church.

The North Shore Choral Society explores, studies, and performs a wide range of choral music for the enrichment and enjoyment of its singers and audiences.



For more information on our 140+ volunteer choir, contact us at www.northshorechoral.org
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An Afternoon at the Opera
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The NSCS is committed to healthy singing throughout life. We recognize the benefits of choral music for all ages. Our own members span 70 years. Through our outreach programs at area public schools, our Choral Scholars program for university students, the Donald Chen Young Artist program that supports emerging soloists, and our concerts at Three Crowns Retirement Community, we know that singing strengthens individuals and communities. This season we celebrate our shared musicality with special guests in concerts you will not want to miss!

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 Thank you for joining us for the 2012-2013 season.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2012 4 PM

Vineyard Christian Church

2495 Howard Street • Evanston, Illinois 60202

SONGS OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Special Guests, the Oakdale Christian Academy Concert Choir
 Terrance J. Smith, Director

The Oakdale Christian Academy Concert Choir hails from the South Side of Chicago and is known for its electric and committed performances. Their young and dynamic leader Terrance J. Smith will lead both the children and the combined choirs in spirituals, gospel and inspirational songs, new and traditional.

The North Shore Choral Society will also share music of praise and thanksgiving, including Randol Alan Bass's *Gloria* featuring pianist Sharon Rich Peterson. You won't want to miss this rare opportunity to hear these ensembles performing together in an afternoon of uplifting and joyful singing. We look forward to combining our different musical backgrounds into a very powerful performance.



The North Shore Choral Society is supported in part by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, an agency of the State of Illinois.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2013 3 PM

Regina Dominican High School

701 Locust Road • Wilmette, Illinois 60091

A LIFETIME OF SINGING

This concert will be the culmination of the workshop on healthy singing throughout life, hosted by the NSCS for area choristers and described below. Special guests will include the Evanston Children's Choir (Gary Geiger, director), and the North Park University Chamber Singers (Julia Davids, director).



Northwestern University professor and mezzo soprano Karen Brunssen will narrate and sing. Each ensemble will perform signature repertoire highlighting their vocal colors and strengths. We will close the concert with a combined number for all of the participants and the audience, commissioned especially for this occasion from Evanston composer Dr. Anne Heider. This promises to be a unique concert and we hope to see you there!

HEALTHY SINGING AT EVERY AGE

On Saturday, March 2nd we invite singers and conductors of all levels and ages to join the NSCS for a workshop and choral singing collaboration with Karen Brunssen, Professor of Voice at Northwestern University. Engaging, frank, and full of practical advice and solutions for all voices, Ms. Brunssen will share decades of experience and research on the voice as it matures from birth through senior years. Ms. Brunssen will be joined by North Shore Choral Society Music Director Dr. Julia Davids (co-author of *Vocal Technique: A Guide for Conductors, Teachers, and Singers*) to lead all singers in vocal technique practice sessions. The event will close with all participants coming together in song.

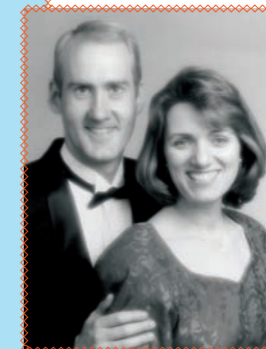
Details about this event and registration information can be found at www.northshorechoral.org. Consider bringing your entire choir to join us!

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2013 3 PM

Glenview Community Church

1000 Elm Street • Glenview, Illinois 60025

AN AFTERNOON AT THE OPERA



An Afternoon of Opera will include some of your favorite opera choruses and solos featuring Chicago super-star soloists Kathleen and Peter van de Graaff! A full orchestra will support the chorus and soloists, including some of our outstanding 2012 Donald Chen Young Artist winners. Revel in the great operatic music of Bizet, Gilbert and Sullivan, Handel, Mozart, Purcell, Verdi, and many more!

BONUS!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2012 3 PM

Evanston Township High School • Evanston, Illinois

AN EVANSTON SYMPHONY CHRISTMAS

The North Shore Choral Society joins the Evanston Symphony Orchestra for its annual holiday concert.

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