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Eastern Connecticut Symphony Chorus and ECSO Musicians Present Handel's Messiah

NEW LONDON, CT – The Eastern Connecticut Symphony Chorus, under the direction of Dr. Daniel McDavitt, joins ECSO musicians, led by Music Director Toshiyuki Shimada, to present a festive evening of Handel's beloved *Messiah* on Friday, December 19th at 7:30 PM in Palmer Auditorium at Connecticut College.

This special holiday collaboration brings together our passionate vocalists and accomplished instrumentalists to celebrate the season with one of classical music's most cherished masterworks.

George Frideric Handel composed *Messiah* in 1741 in just 24 days. From the joyous "For Unto Us a Child is Born" to the triumphant "Hallelujah" Chorus, this timeless masterpiece captures the wonder and reverence of the holiday season through magnificent orchestral accompaniment and powerful choral singing.

Whether you're a longtime classical music enthusiast or experiencing *Messiah* for the first time, this live performance offers an unforgettable evening of music that has moved audiences for more than 260 years.

Tickets are just \$35 and available at www.ectsymphony.com.

About the ECSC

Led by Music Director Dr. Daniel McDavitt, the ECSC is an integral part of ECSO's mission to inspire, educate, and connect our communities. The 60 person auditioned group connects people in a unique and powerful way ranging from all ages.

The ECSC sings some of the most monumental and inspiring music ever written, from requiems, masses, symphonies, and beyond. But the most impactful part is how the music unites them as an ensemble, and then unites them with Toshi and the symphony musicians, and then finally, with the audience.

ABOUT THE EASTERN CONNECTICUT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra's mission is to inspire, educate, and connect communities through live orchestral music. Under Toshiyuki Shimada's distinguished leadership, the ECSO has become a cornerstone of the region's cultural landscape, presenting world-class performances that bring together exceptional musicians and devoted audiences.

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For season tickets and complete program information, visit ectsymphony.com or call **(860) 443-2876**.

For single tickets go to gardearts.org.

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