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NJ ARTS GRANT BRINGS HANDEL'S MESSIAH TO GCC

Deptford Twp. – The melodic sound of Georg Frederic Handel's the *Messiah* will fill the Gloucester County College Fine Arts Center this holiday season on **Sunday, December 3, at 3 p.m.** thanks to a New Jersey State Council on the Arts grant awarded to the College.

Part I of Handel's most famous oratorio will be performed by a professional chamber string orchestra accompanied by the Gloucester County Community Choir, a 60-member choral group in existence since 1970, and solo pianist David Anderson. A quartet made up of four Lenape Regional High School students will also participate in the concert. **Tickets for the GCC concert are \$5 and are available by calling (856) 415-2139.**

A repeat of the holiday concert will be performed on Sunday, December 10, at 7 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church in Mullica Hill. The church setting will include singing of advent and Christmas carols with members of the audience. Cost of the ticket is a free-will offering.

Funding has been made available by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts through the Gloucester County Cultural & Heritage Commission, the designated arts agency of Gloucester County by the Gloucester County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

For more information, please contact Choir Director Larry DePasquale at (856) 256-4896.

GCC's 250-acre campus is located on Tanyard Road in Deptford, just off Exit 56 of Route 55. There is free parking for hundreds of vehicles a short walk from the Fine Arts Center. This year, the College is celebrating 40 years of student success since its founding in 1966. During the past four decades, GCC has grown to become a valuable asset to the Gloucester County community providing quality academic programs, cultural enrichment, and professional development.

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