

Bella Musica *Nota Bene Bella* CHORUS & ORCHESTRA

April 15, 2008

Announcements:

- **Soprano Sectional** at Arlene's house, 7:30 Friday (April 18).
- **Ads are needed for the concert program!** If you, your employer, friends or family have a business to advertise, please let us know. We also have space for "In Honor of/In Memory of" spots. Price schedule:

Business Card	\$25
Quarter page ad	\$40
Half page ad	\$60
Full page ad (8.5X11)	\$90
Full back page ad	\$125
In Honor/Memory of	\$20 *

**In Honor/Memory text starts at \$20/business card size; larger areas are at the above rates.*

Ad copy can be given or (preferably) emailed to Cristin (cristin@bellamusic.org) by May 2, 2008. Checks should be made out to Bella Musica and can be given to Gabriele or Arlene (mailing address: 597 Santa Clara Ave., Berkeley 94707).

Shameless Plugs

♪ **Hike in Redwood Regional Park, Saturday, April 19.** Bella Musica singers are invited to join BCCO singers for a hike at Redwood Regional Park in Oakland. There will be two different levels of hikes. The first one is about 6 miles round-trip, with a moderate-to-difficult climb on the way back, starting and ending in the Skyline Gate. The second hike is a comfortable 1 to 3 miles walk through the beautiful trees (no climb!). It starts at the parking lot of the Canyon Meadow Staging area, and hikers will leisurely decide how far they want to walk. Both groups will meet at the Orchard picnic area, and we'll have lunch together, and why not, some singing! Meeting times are 10 AM for the Skyline point and 10:30 AM for the Canyon Meadow area. Maps and more details will be available to hikers. Family and friends are welcome. The Canyon Meadow Staging area is wheelchair accessible. Please let us know if you're planning to come by adding your name and number of people attending to the signup sheet.

♪ **UC Alumni Chorus Spring Concert, April 20 & 27.** Johannes Brahms *Requiem*. 3 pm Sunday, April 20 at Hertz Hall; 11 am Sunday, April 27 at the First Unitarian Universalist Church, Franklin St. at Geary, San Francisco. With the UC Men's and Women's Chorales. Tickets \$15 general, \$10 student/senior.

♪ **Pippin Pocket Opera: *Così Fan Tutte*.** Marcelle Dronkers, frequent vocal coach & soloist for Bella Musica, stars in this production of Mozart's giddy confection. The plot is silly; the music, glorious. Performances at the Florence Gould Theatre in the Palace of the Legion of Honor, San Francisco, Sunday April 20, Saturday April 26 and Sunday April 27, at 2 pm. Ticket information at <http://www.pocketopera.org/po/buyTickets.php>, or call 415-972-8934 (regular tickets \$34 in advance, \$37 at the door; seniors \$31 in advance/\$34 at the door; youth or student rush (30 minutes before curtain) \$20. (Or check http://tix.theatrebayarea.org/ticketing/showdates.php?s_id=587 for half-price tickets!)