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Toronto Mendelssohn Choir tours to Vancouver

To perform as part of Vancouver 2010 Cultural Olympiad

As part of the Vancouver 2010 Cultural Olympiad, the Toronto Mendelssohn Choir was invited by the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and the Vancouver Bach Choir to be part of a rare live performance of Mahler's monumental masterpiece, Symphony No. 8. Nicknamed *Symphony of a Thousand* because of the sheer number of performers required to stage it, the work is astonishing in its massive scale, brilliant instrumentation and sublime beauty.

For this showcase event of the Cultural Olympiad 2010, Maestro Bramwell Tovey and the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra will be joined by soprano Turid Karlsen, soprano Measha Brueggergosman, soprano Tracy Dahl, mezzo-soprano Susan Platts, mezzo-soprano Sarah Fryer, tenor John MacMaster, baritone Russell Braun, bass-baritone Denis Sedov, and three choirs, the Vancouver Bach Choir, the Toronto Mendelssohn Choir and the Vancouver Bach Children's Chorus.

This spectacular cultural event will take place at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre in Vancouver on Saturday, January 30 and Monday, February 1. Tickets are available through the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra.

The Toronto Mendelssohn Choir is proud to contribute its voices to this international festival of culture and to the production of Mahler's rarely performed masterpiece. Cultural Olympiad, part of the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games, celebrates the best in Canadian and International arts and popular culture.

While in Vancouver, the Toronto Mendelssohn Choir will make its West Coast debut solo performance on Wednesday, February 3 at Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver. The Choir will perform the Duruflé and Fauré requiems under the direction of Noel Edison and with organist Patrick Wedd. Tickets for this concert are available through the Vancouver Bach Choir.

Toronto Mendelssohn Choir

The Toronto Mendelssohn Choir's vision is to make choral masterworks available, accessible, and inspirational to all listeners through its performances and outreach programs. Known for its grand symphonic sound, the choir performs both sacred and secular repertoire as part of its regular concert season and as the guest choir for performances by the Toronto Symphony Orchestra and others. TMC concerts are exhilarating and uplifting celebrations of the triumphs, great and small, of the human spirit.

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