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Classical Music – Vocal



Clerestory Launches 2012-13 Season with SeaSongs

*Featuring World Premiere of Eric Banks Commission
Performances in San Francisco, Richmond and Tiburon*

San Francisco, Sept. 12, 2012 — Clerestory, the Bay Area's acclaimed ten-man vocal ensemble, opens its seventh season with SeaSongs, a nautical-themed program inspired by the Bay Area's maritime setting and the arrival of the America's Cup races. The concert features the world premiere of renowned composer [Eric Banks'](#) "These Oceans Vast," set to texts by Herman Melville. The group's website includes a blog on the commission process [here](#).

The concert **venues** for SeaSongs were chosen with the maritime theme in mind. SeaSongs will be performed Friday, October 19, 7:00pm at Community Congregational Church in Tiburon; Saturday, October 20, 8:00pm at the Fleet Room, Fort Mason Center in San Francisco and Sunday, October 28, 4:00 pm at Craneway Pavilion in Richmond.

Tickets for the San Francisco and Richmond concerts can be purchased online at www.clerestory.org; prices are \$17 in advance and \$20 at the door; \$10 for students and seniors. Tickets for the Tiburon concert are \$15 and may be purchased at the door.

Clerestory's 2012-13 season continues with *Northern Lights: A Clerestory Christmas* in December and *Bacchanalia* in March 2013. The group also will perform at Chanticleer's 35th Anniversary [Celebration](#) on March 22, 2013 at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music.

ABOUT CLERESTORY

Clerestory's singers, from countertenor to bass, are professional veterans of San Francisco's finest vocal groups, including Chanticleer, Philharmonia Baroque, American Bach Soloists and others. Since its founding in 2006, Clerestory has performed across the Bay Area, including regular concerts in San Francisco, Berkeley, and Palo Alto, along with appearances in Sonoma, Santa Cruz and Lodi. The ensemble has been featured on National Public Radio and on San Francisco's KDFC and KALW's VoiceBox. Clerestory's concert recordings are available for free listening or download at <http://www.clerestory.org/music>. Clerestory is named for cathedral windows that let in daylight; the group tells the "clear story" of music through sophisticated performances grounded in decades of experience singing together. Clerestory is a tax-exempt non-profit organization with a mission of providing high quality performances to local audiences at affordable prices.

For more information, see www.clerestory.org.

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CALENDAR LISTING: Classical Music – Vocal



Clerestory: *SeaSongs*

Inspired by the Bay Area's maritime traditions and the arrival of the America's Cup races Clerestory presents *SeaSongs*. Traditional chanteys, serenely flowing Renaissance polyphony, and modern melodies will transport listeners over bays, islands, waves, and currents. The concert features Clerestory's first ever commissioned work, *These Oceans Vast*, a song cycle on poems of Herman Melville by the esteemed Seattle composer Eric Banks. Set sail with us this October!

Tickets: \$17 in advance at <http://www.clerestory.org> and \$20 at the door; \$10 for students and seniors. Note: Tickets for Tiburon on October 19 are \$15 and are available at the door.

TIBURON

Friday, October 19, 7:00pm

Community Congregational Church
145 East Rock Hill Drive Tiburon 94920

[Directions](#)

SAN FRANCISCO

Saturday, October 20, 8:00pm

Fleet Room, Fort Mason Center, Marina Boulevard at Buchanan

[Directions](#)

RICHMOND – EAST BAY

Sunday, October 30, 4pm

Sunday, October 28, 4:00pm
Craneway Pavilion
1414 Harbor Way South

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