One Voice 2006-2007 Performances

October 7, 2006
Sing OUT!
OVation
Unity Church – Unitarian
St. Paul, MN

October 13, 2006
One Voice Outreach
Hennepin Methodist Church
Minneapolis, MN

November 9-11, 2006
“Reclaiming Faith” Outreach Tour
- Apollo High School, San Antonio, TX
- Temple Israel, Minneapolis, MN
- Spirit of Hope United Church of Christ, Golden Valley, MN
- St. Paul United Church of Christ, St. Paul, MN

February 11, 2007
OVation
Unitarian Universalist Church
Hanksa, MN

March 17, 2007
Spring Fever Silent Auction and Cabaret
Saint Joan of Arc Church
Minneapolis, MN

April 13, 2007
OVation
Metro State
St. Paul, MN

April 19, 2007
Generations ROCH!
- Outreach! Lobby Day, St. Paul, MN
- Saint Paul Creative Arts High School, St. Paul, MN
- Humboldt Senior Residence, St. Paul, MN
- Neighborhood House – Paul & Sheila Wellstone Center for Community Building, St. Paul, MN

May 3, 2007
OVation
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, MN

May 6, 2007
Unity Church – Unitarian
St. Paul, MN

June 4, 2007
Queer Music Consortium Pride Concert
Como Park
St. Paul, MN

June 16-17, 2007
Generations ROCH!
with guest Teens Rock the Mic
Great American History Theatre
St. Paul, MN


A Year of Organizational and Musical Growth

Our past year was a time of organizational and musical growth for the chorus, one in which we expanded our mission of building community and creating social change by raising our voices in song. While our mission remains the same, we brought about important foundational changes this year, many of which will materialize in the years to come. Early in 2007, the chorus’ leadership began a five year strategic planning process which was completed and ratified by the board at our year-end meeting. The strategic plan spells out several long-term goals. Our first year’s targets are more foundational in nature (such as creating a new logo and feel for our logo), there are also some sizable goals built into each year of the plan. The leadership team set the direction for our upcoming five years which will require strong collaboration and support, including resources, long-term relationships in the community, a widely recognized public identity and a larger audience base.

In support of the strategic plan, the board allocated additional funds to increase our staffing for development and marketing. With this important investment we will bring dedicated, professional resources to grow our individual donor base, fundraising activities and corporate sponsorships. In anticipation of additional organizational growth, our operations manager role was restructured to reflect the strategic opportunities identified by the board and chorus leadership.

When we completed the strategic plan and staffing model, we were just getting started. We also opened our first official office! With funding from a St. Paul Capital STAR grant, One Voice now has an office to grow our individual donor base, fundraising activities and corporate sponsorships. In anticipation of additional organizational growth, our operations manager role was restructured to reflect the strategic opportunities identified by the board and chorus leadership.

With prudent management by our finance committee and leadership team, we recovered from the prior year’s deficit. Without a doubt, one of the most significant accomplishments of our fiscal year was that we were able to meet our goals while ending the year “in the black.”

Our new office was an amazing accomplishment, especially for our staff and volunteers who worked from home offices and borrowed conference room spaces for our first 19 years of operations. Taking on all of our strategic priorities and sharing our message of social change in the community requires resources. Taking on all of our strategic priorities and sharing our message of social change in the community requires resources.

On behalf of the board of directors, our leadership team, members and volunteers, thanks for all you do to inspire change. We couldn’t do it without the outstanding generosity of our volunteers, donors, sponsors, foundations and other organizations. We look forward to an amazing year ahead.

Earl D. Moore, Jr. and Kate Reilly, Co-chairs

Crescendo Society Founding Members, April 2006
Cheryl Andrews • Martha Brentley & Jesley Sechrist • Nasey Broyer and Amy Gifford • Anita L. Brathwaite • Scott Burgleich & Britt Adel • Linda Coffin & Kathy Webster • Marisa Squadrina • Chris Gardner & Chris Gardner • Max Ginn • Scott Griesbach • Kyle Grundmann • Cara Hudson & Lissa Dickerson • Jn-Arn Jones • Katrina Johnson • Joe Reardon • Robin Reardon & Cecilia Miller • Rachael Scrogg • Shannon Sale • Lynne Larson • Linda Alton • Carolee Lindsey • Kim Makie • Jane Raymond Miller • Anne Brask • Joel Muggler & Adam Hamilton • Matthew Paul & Spencer Patney • Paul Petrella • Carla Petley • Betty Perry • Kevin Reardon & Tim Hansen • Karen & Jay Rothman • Jane Sager • Bertha Van Der Stokk & Gwen Wilson • Elaine Vedrus & Marvin Milbert • Alan Warren & Duane Dul • Colleen Watson & Mary McDougall • Anita Wheeler • John Whalen, in memory of Berenice Whalen • Cheryl Winck & Christian Naust

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ANNUAL REPORT

2006-2007

Building community and creating social change by raising our voices in song.
One Voice’s 19th season began with a packed outreach tour, including 90 singers and volunteers who traveled to perform in western and northern Minnesota. We sang for students at St. Cloud Central High School, for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) community and supporters in Moorhead, and for college students in Crookston. We also collaborated with the Rainbow Harmony GLBT chorus in Winnipeg, Manitoba, and finished our outreach tour with a concert in Bemidji, Minnesota. Each community deeply appreciated our music and message.

In January 2007, One Voice performed Reclaiming Faith: In the Spirit of Justice, a component of the concert. Rock concert was an exemplary demonstration of One Voice’s successful collaborative projects. One Voice singers and artistic staff partnered with Rock the Mic, an ensemble of young, urban poets and performance artist and composer Markwei Ndozo on an innovative multi-disciplinary performance art project combining choral music and spoken-word. Feedback from audience and membership surveys consistently commented on how the addition of young people’s voices was a powerful and moving component of the concert.

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Jane Ramseayer Miller
Artistic & Executive Director

### 2006-2007 Highlights

- **Dynamic Donors**

  One Voice Mixed Chorus relies on the generous gifts of individuals whose hopes and dreams harmonize with our mission. In our 2006-2007 fiscal year we were blessed with many gifts; we wish to express our profound gratitude to these supporters:

  - **$250 and Above**
    - Carol Lindsey
    - Maureen Lunde
    - Kim Malke
    - Jane Ramseayer Miller & Anne Breckbill
    - Earl D. Moore, Jr.
    - Paul Olson
    - Shannon Pears & Rachael Kooza
    - Karen & Jay Rusthoven
    - Lane Skalberg
    - John Sullivan
    - Dwight Joyer & Michael Murphy
    - Tom Knabel & Kent Allen
    - Candace Bessemer
    - Colleen Kay Watson & Mary McDougall
    - Joseph Kestel
    - Steve Lenius & Christine Hazel
    - William Brown
    - Linda Coffin & Kathy Webster
    - Chris Dart
    - Danny Estling
    - Dawn Geffe & Amy Gabrielle
    - Scott Griesbach
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    - Marcheta Madden
    - Joy MacArthur & Kate Reily
    - John McCannion, M.D.
    - Joel Muggge & Adam Hamilton
    - Karen Mulesky
    - Patricia Murphy & Janet Rudd
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      - Elizabeth Alexander
      - Gordon & Mary Jane Lee
      - Anna & Nathan Johnson in honor of Sonen
      - Ronald Loen
      - Robert W. Winters
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### Finances

#### One Voice Mixed Chorus Income 2006-2007

- **Program**
  - 19%
- **Management & General**
  - 19%
- **Fundraising**
  - 36%

#### One Voice Mixed Chorus Expenses 2006-2007

- **Program**
  - 26%
- **Management & General**
  - 6%
- **Fundraising**
  - 8%