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Indianapolis Symphonic Choir Singer Auditions For 75th Anniversary Season

INDIANAPOLIS – August 21, 2011 – The Indianapolis Symphonic Choir, at the launch of its 75th anniversary season, will hold auditions for singers on Friday, August 12, 5:30-10:00 p.m., and Saturday, August 13, 12:30-8:00 p.m. at Butler University's Lilly Hall. Each audition lasts 10 minutes and consists of singing one prepared piece of the candidate's choosing (preferably in a foreign language), an excerpt from Handel's *Messiah* (specific movement is available at www.indychoir.org), sight-reading, and an aural skills evaluation.

To schedule an audition, contact the Indianapolis Symphonic Choir: auditions@indychoir.org or (317) 940-9057 no later than August 10. Additional information is available at www.indychoir.org. Auditions must be scheduled in advance and no later than August 10. An accompanist is provided. Audition details are available on the Symphonic Choir's website: www.indychoir.org.

Members of the Indianapolis Symphonic Choir re-audition annually through a competitive audition process. There are no membership dues.

The successful audition candidate may be selected to participate in concerts of the 2011-2012 season including: Berlioz's *Requiem*, Handel's *Messiah*, world premiere performances of music by Stephen Hough, Holst's *The Planets*, the annual holiday concert *Festival of Carols*, a Pops concert, "Do You Hear the People Sing," featuring music from *Les Mis* and *Miss Saigon*, plus a performance of gospel music, and more.

The Indianapolis Symphonic Choir is a 501(c)3 non-profit performing arts organization based in Indianapolis, and 2011-2012 marks its 75th anniversary season. A frequent artistic partner with the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, the Symphonic Choir is conducted by Dr. Eric Stark, governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, administered by a professional staff, and is comprised of more than 165 singers, auditioned annually, who perform 25 concerts each season reaching in excess of 50,000 persons. Visit www.indychoir.org for more information.