

Midwest Young Artists



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***Welcome Yule!* Welcomes Midwest Young Artists Choristers**

FT. SHERIDAN- The Midwest Young Artists (MYA 878 Lyster Road, Highwood, IL 847-926-9898) Choristers, grades 5 through 8, are eagerly anticipating their upcoming performances with the prestigious Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Chicago Symphony Chorus for the ***Welcome Yule!*** spectacular. The MYA Choristers is the only youth choral group chosen to perform in this popular event. The *Welcome Yule!* series celebrates Christmas in Chicago and is an annual event which draws thousands of people. Gary Fry, Director of the MYA Choristers, is excited for the opportunity. "If you've ever been to the Chicago Symphony Orchestra's annual *Welcome Yule!* concerts you know what a big part the children's choir plays. I'm so thrilled that we received the invitation to be this year's *Welcome Yule!* singers for the first time! This experience gives us the unique opportunity to perform shoulder-to-shoulder with one of the world's greatest orchestras in a magnificent hall, and in a program that everyone in the family from the youngest kids to the grandparents will really enjoy!" says Fry. *Welcome Yule!* begins on **December 16 and runs through December 23, 2005 at Symphony Center**. For more information on the MYA Choristers, please visit www.mya.org.

Midwest Young Artists (878 Lyster Road, Highwood, IL, 847-926-9898), is the leading youth-music ensemble program in the Midwest. Founded in 1993 by Dr. Allan Dennis with one orchestra, MYA has grown into a full-curriculum music school with a distinguished faculty of 22. Presently, MYA has five youth orchestras, more than 50 chamber music ensembles, three vocal ensembles, an all-inclusive jazz program, as well as classes in music theory and history. The program is for serious young musicians and dedicated amateurs. MYA is housed in its own state-of-the-art facility in the town of Fort Sheridan, which provides its students with large rehearsal halls, classrooms, a recording studio, and music library. MYA graduates are accepted at the most selective conservatories in the country.

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