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## **El Camino College Presents Spring Concert Choir, Mixed Chorus, and Chorale Performance**

El Camino College's Concert Choir, Mixed Chorus and Chorale will perform John Rutter's "Mass of the Children" and more at 7 p.m. May 3 in Marsee Auditorium.

The show will feature guest singers from the California Academy of Math and Science Choir and Hills Academy Children's Choir. Pianist Kenner Bailey will return to accompany Director Joanna Medawar Nachef in the show.

Nachef is also the director for Los Cancioneros Master Chorale, and the Peninsula Community Church Choir. She has directed shows with the South Bay Children's Choir and with successful Lebanese and American choir groups. Nachef is also a speaker and citizen diplomat for the U.S. Department of State for the "Global Education through Technology" project.

"Mass of the Children" was written in response to an invitation to compose a new work for a concert given in Carnegie Hall during the American Choral Directors Association's national convention in New York in February 2003. The "Mass of the Children" represents something new in the composer's work in that it was conceived with an integral role for a children's choir alongside an adult mixed choir, two soloists, and orchestra. This creates a framework within which other texts and moods appear in kaleidoscopic succession, like events in a day or landmarks in a life.

Tickets to the performance are \$10 and may be purchased at [www.centerforthearts.org](http://www.centerforthearts.org), by phone at 310-329-5345 or toll-free at 800-832-ARTS. The Ticket Office is open Monday-Friday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Campus Parking is \$3. Marsee Auditorium is located at 16007 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance.

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