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Capital Vox, Ottawa's jazz choir, presents Wintermezzo concert November 29 at NAC

Capital Vox, Ottawa's Jazz Choir, is looking forward to its Wintermezzo Concert 2008 on Saturday November 29. Join us as we sing original arrangements of songs by Count Basie, Irving Berlin, Hoagy Carmichael, Bill Evans, Thelonious Monk, Oscar Peterson, Paul Simon, and others. Capital Vox will present the world premiere of the original work, *Four Poems by Tony Cosier*. Mr. Cosier is a poet residing in Ottawa. We'll also present works by Ottawa composers Megan Jerome and Elise Letourneau. Our dynamic vocalists and gifted jazz ensemble promise a very memorable evening at the National Arts Centre 4th Stage under the direction of Elise Letourneau.

Heralded as Canada's first community jazz choir, the members of Capital Vox are all excellent vocalists in their own right, several of whom perform in the city. Capital Vox is comprised of 24 voices plus the able accompaniment of guitarist Tim Bedner, bassist Mark Alcorn, and drummer Marilee Townsend. Additionally, Capital Vox is excited to welcome special guests pianist Mark Ferguson, violinist Gillian Gresham, and saxophonist Jason Scott.

Capital Vox is enjoying its second season, which to date has included opening this year's Jazz Vespers series at All Saints' Anglican/First United Church, and the first of the choir's Vintage Game Night & 7-Minute Song Series. The choir was formed to explore the works of classic jazz composers, as well as standards old and new, in a large group vocal setting. It also seeks to recast traditional music in a new, jazzy light; as well as present music by Canadian jazz composers. The choir membership seeks continual growth in vocal, improvisational, and musicianship skills; culminating in quality music-making and concert performances.

The Capital Vox Wintermezzo Concert 2008 will take place on Saturday November 29 at the NAC 4th Stage, 53 Elgin Street in downtown Ottawa. The concert begins at 7:30 PM, and doors open at 7:00 PM. All tickets are \$20. Tickets are available at the NAC box office, The Leading Note downtown at 370 Elgin Street, or Alcorn Music Studios at 903 Carling Avenue.

Please visit www.capitalvox.ca for more information.

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