

## Press release

### Cantores Minores Concert tour of America

The Choir of Boys and Young Men of Helsinki Cathedral, Cantores Minores, is making its 47<sup>th</sup> foreign concert tour from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup> of October, 2006 to the East coast of the United States and Canada. It is also their fifth tour of America. They will perform, *inter alia*, in Washington DC, Philadelphia, New York City, Boston and Ottawa. In their twelve concerts Cantores Minores will perform, among others, songs from the Piae Cantiones collection, Finnish choral music (including Sibelius, Madetoja, Rautavaara, Linkola, Mäntyjärvi) and European choral music (including Bach, Schütz, Mendelssohn). Most of the performances are part of local concert series and, in Canada, the choir has been asked to perform at the Outaouais Sacred Music Festival in Ottawa. In Philadelphia and New York the choir will perform with the world-famous renaissance ensemble Piffaro (Piffaro, The Renaissance Band).

The budget for the entire concert tour is about 97,000 euros, of which concert fees, public and private support cover only about 30 %.

74 choristers, age range 10-26, will leave on the trip. The choir's conductor and artistic director is Hannu Norjanen and Markus Malmgren is its organ soloist.

The choir will perform a concert on its return on Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November, 2006 at 7pm at the Helsinki Cathedral.

President Tarja Halonen is the patron of the tour.

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Print-quality pictures from: [www.cantoresminores.net/pr](http://www.cantoresminores.net/pr)

#### USA-CANADA CONCERT TOUR 12.-29.10.2006

Mon	13.10.6.30pm	Concert	Finnish Embassy, Washington DC <a href="http://www.finland.org">www.finland.org</a>
Sat	14.10.7.30pm	Concert	St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Richmond VA <a href="http://www.stpauls-episcopal.org">www.stpauls-episcopal.org</a>
Sun	15.10.10.30am	Preconcert	Washington National Cathedral, Washington DC
	5.00pm	Concert	Annandale United Methodist Church, Annandale VA <a href="http://www.fairfaxchoralsociety.org">www.fairfaxchoralsociety.org</a>
Mon	16.10.7.00pm	Concert	Lutheran Theological Seminary Chapel, Philadelphia PA <a href="http://www.phillyboys.org">www.phillyboys.org</a>
Wed	18.10.7.30pm	Concert	St. Patrick's Church, Philadelphia PA <a href="http://www.piffaro.com">www.piffaro.com</a>
Thu	19.10.1.00pm	Concert	Concert at One, Trinity Church Wall Street, New York City <a href="http://www.trinitywallstreet.org">www.trinitywallstreet.org</a>
Fri	20.10.7.00pm	Concert	St. Mary Church, Stonington CT
Sat	21.10.7.30pm	Concert	St Andrew's Episcopal Church, Wellesley MA <a href="http://www.standrewswellesley.org">www.standrewswellesley.org</a>
Sun	22.10.11.00am	Mass	Arlington Street Church, Boston MA
	2.00pm	Concert	Arlington Street Church, Boston MA <a href="http://www.ascboston.org">www.ascboston.org</a>
Tue	24.10.6.00pm	Performance	Finnish Ambassador's residence, Ottawa <a href="http://www.finland.ca">www.finland.ca</a>
Wed	25.10.8.00pm	Concert	St. Matthew's Anglican Church, Ottawa The Outaouais Sacred Music Festival, <a href="http://www.sacree.qc.ca">www.sacree.qc.ca</a>
Fri	27.10.8.00pm	Concert	Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Albany, NY <a href="http://www.troymusic hall.org">www.troymusic hall.org</a>