



**Director Albert M. Jackson**

*Director Albert M. Jackson has been an active musical force in the Chicago Southland and Northwest Indiana for many years. He has degrees in voice, German literature, and sacred music, and has studied with such noted conductors as Margaret Hillis, Fiora Contino, and William Hall. As a Fulbright Scholar, he spent two years in Germany writing on the relationship of theology and music in the chorales of J.S. Bach.*

*Mr. Jackson sang professionally with the Chicago Symphony Chorus, Ravinia Festival Chorus and Grant Park Festival Chorus. His text translations and program notes have been used by the Aspen Music Festival, the American Kantorei and academic institutions in California, Illinois and Indiana. Mr. Jackson recently retired from South Suburban College, where he served as Music Department Chair, Director of Choral Activities and coordinator of the International Studies Program.*

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## GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY CONCERT CHORALE 2014-2015 CONCERT SEASON

GALA PERFORMANCE  
JANUARY 18, 2015  
IN GSU'S CENTER FOR  
PERFORMING ARTS



## Introducing the Governors State University Concert Chorale

Known for many years throughout the Chicago South Suburban/Northwest Indiana region as the South Suburban Chorale, the GSUCC still provides the area with the finest in choral literature performance. Continuing as it has for the past 16 years under the directorship of Albert M. Jackson, the Chorale remains the Chicago Southland's premiere symphonic chorus, having performed many of the greatest masterpieces of classical choral and choral/orchestral literature.

The 130 member chorus has performed throughout the Chicago south suburbs and Northwest Indiana, with orchestras including the Chicago Metropolitan Symphony, the LaPorte Symphony, the Illinois Philharmonic, and Lakeshore Symphony Orchestra, and undertook a successful European concert tour to Germany, Austria, and the Czech Republic in 2011.

## 2014 – 2015 Season

Welcome to the Chorale's first season under the auspices of GSU. Each concert has something different and special to offer.

### Past and Future

**Sunday, October 12, 4 p.m.**

St. Lawrence O'Toole Catholic Church  
4101 St. Lawrence Ave, Matteson, IL

**Sunday, October 26, 4 p.m.**

First United Methodist Church  
103 Franklin St., Valparaiso, IN

Our season opens with a retrospective of past audience favorites, along with pieces new to the Chorale and to our audiences. Exciting, inspiring and uplifting music ranging from opera choruses to African-American spirituals will fill every corner of the room – an event you won't want to miss! The concert is free at both locations. Donations gratefully accepted.

For more information, email [ajackson13@govst.edu](mailto:ajackson13@govst.edu) or call 708.235.6921.

### Christmas at St. Victor's

**Sunday, December 7, 4 p.m.**

St. Victor Catholic Church,  
553 Hirsch Ave, Calumet City, IL

The tradition continues as the Chorale presents their 14th annual Christmas Concert in the beautiful sanctuary of St. Victor Catholic Church. Voices, organs (two of them at St. Vic's!) and instruments combine to provide thrilling music of the season, including works by Randall Thompson, Beethoven, Bach, Handel, and others. Be sure to bring your singing voice for the sing-along carols!

The concert is free. Donations gratefully accepted. Early seating is highly recommended.

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### Presenting the GSU Concert Chorale Gala Performance

**January 18, 2015, 4 p.m.**

Center for Performing Arts  
Governors State University  
1 University Parkway, University Park, IL

The "official" debut of the GSU Concert Chorale in the beautiful 1170-seat Center for the Performing Arts is an event for the entire Chicago southland! With the songs of Aaron Copland, Randall Thompson, Moses Hogan & others to commemorate Martin Luther King Day and serving as our fundraiser, it includes a pre-concert reception for all ticketholders. Reserved seating - \$20; V.I.P. Reception and Golden Circle seating - \$75

Tickets available online at [www.centertickets.net](http://www.centertickets.net), call 708.235.2222 or visit the CPA box office.

### Troubles and Triumphs

**May 3, 2015, 4 p.m.**

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church  
768 Lincoln Ave., Calumet City, IL

Join us for our fourth annual concert in the magnificent sanctuary of St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church as the Chorale, Lake Shore Symphony Orchestra and soloists combine to perform the mighty "Lord Nelson" Mass of Franz Joseph Haydn, also known as the "Mass in Troubled Times." The concert is free. Donations gratefully accepted. Early seating is highly recommended. For more information, email [ajackson13@govst.edu](mailto:ajackson13@govst.edu) or call 708.235.6921.

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