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Open auditions, new opportunities for MSU Children's Choirs

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EAST LANSING, Mich. – Children and youth ages 7-18 years old are invited to audition for the 2010-11 Children's Choirs at the MSU Community Music School.

Among the four choirs holding auditions is the MSU Children's Choir for ages 10-18, which will perform Gustav Mahler's *Symphony No. 8* with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in March, and the Young Men's Chorus, a new ensemble for young men with changing or changed voices. Children may also audition for the Preparatory Choir for ages 7-9 or CMS Singers for ages 9-14.

"These choirs are made up of local students who enjoy singing, learning, and meeting new people. Each choir needs enthusiastic, talented, and creative singers who are ready to work hard, be challenged, and have fun," said Kristin Zaryski, director of the MSU Children's Choirs.

Auditions will be held on May 22, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., May 27, 5-7 p.m., August 19, 5-7 p.m., August 28, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., and September 9, 5-7 p.m. Please call the Community Music School at (517) 355-7661, ext. 10 to set up an appointment. Audition material does not need to be prepared.

The MSU Community Music School is located at 841-B Timberlane Street in East Lansing.

Founded in 1993, the Community Music School (CMS) is the outreach division of the MSU College of Music. The mission of CMS is to provide comprehensive music education – quality instruction, related music services, and educational programs – for interested individuals of all ages and levels with financial assistance for those in need.

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