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Performances Scheduled for Oct. 11 and 13 on Gardner-Webb Campus

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Webb University Department of Music will host two annual concerts for the public on Oct. 11 and 13. Both performances are free and will take place in Dover Theatre on the GWU campus.

The Concert Choir, Chorale, and Handbell Choir concert will be at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11. The handbell choir, directed by Matthew Lineberger, will feature a small group of talented musicians. The concert choir and chorale will feature contemporary works that director Dr. Paul Etter, chair of the GWU Music Department, describes as "a little more unusual."

"We are doing one piece that has no text at all, but instead we will sing lots of syllables," Etter explained. "It is a very rhythmically-driven piece."

On Oct. 13, over 100 high school students from the surrounding region will be welcomed by Gardner-Webb to participate in the 39<sup>th</sup> Choral Clinic. Students will learn from experienced musicians and directors, including Etter, this year's clinic leader. At the end of the day, musicians and students will perform a concert for the public at 7:30 p.m., with GWU Assistant Professor of Music Dr. Morgan Soja directing.

For more information about the upcoming events, contact Kim Murray, music department secretary, at 704-406-4448. To learn more about music programs at GWU, visit <a href="https://www.gardner-webb.edu/music">www.gardner-webb.edu/music</a>.

Auxiliary aids will be made available to persons with disabilities upon request 10 days prior to the event. Please call 704-406-4253 or email servicerequests@gardner-webb.edu.

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leadership, and equipping them for well-rounded lives of lasting impact, Pro Deo et Humanitate (For God and Humanity).