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Event Includes Contributions from Crest and Burns High Schools

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – An array of musical instruments and singing voices will unite for a Gardner-Webb University Orchestra Concert, featuring the Crest High School Advanced String Orchestra, on Monday, Nov. 18 at 8 p.m., in Dover Theatre – located in the Lutz-Yelton Convocation Center. This year’s event features an extra bonus with the world premiere of Bradley Camp’s composition “The Fall of Xander.”

“Bradley is a senior music composition major here at Gardner-Webb,” said Dr. Patricia Sparti, professor of music in the GWU School of Performing and Visual Arts (music division). She also serves as director and conductor for the concert. “This is a fantastic composition. The show also features a tribute to the 200th anniversary of the birth of [1800s Italian composer Guiseppe] Verdi.”

As in the past, special guests include the Crest High School Advanced String Orchestra under the direction of Peter Strickland (GWU’ 97) and the GWU Concert Choir with Paul Etter, GWU director of choral activities, directing. Other choirs participating, includes Crest (Michael Martinez director), and Burns (Anne Goss director) high schools, the Cleveland County Choral Society (Ken Brooks director), and the Rutherford Community Chorus (Tony Spencer director). Sparti said, “The singing groups will join forces to make up a wonderful mass choir. There will be a time when 250 to 275 performers will be on stage.”

Besides “The Fall of Xander,” selections for the night include “Wagner Overture to Meistersinger,” “Sibelisu Finlandia,” “Martin The Awakening,” and “Verdi Overture to Nabucco.”

The concert is free and open to the public with a good will offering being accepted to benefit the music program. For more information on the GWU School of Performing and Visual Arts call 704-406-4448.

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