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Cal Poly Early Music Ensemble to Present ‘The Glory of Venice’ May 22

SAN LUIS OBISPO — The Cal Poly Early Music Ensemble will present its annual spring concert, this year titled “The Glory of Venice,” at 8 p.m. Friday, May 22, in Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa.

The concert will feature 15 student musicians performing works from 1530-1630 — the years that Venice was a major music center. Music Professor Thomas Davies will conduct the ensemble.

The program will include works by three composers: Adrian Willaert, one of the first important composers of this period; his pupil Andrea Gabrieli, uncle to his more famous nephew Giovanni Gabrieli; and Claudio Monteverdi, considered by many to be the best of all the Venetian composers of the period.

The choir will sing from various locations in the mission church, demonstrating how music was performed in St. Mark’s Venetian cathedral. Sacred music, madrigals and street songs will all be featured.

The Early Music Ensemble includes sopranos Gabby Crolla, a music major; Julia Hall, mechanical engineering; Shaina Levin, music; Alyssa Osberg, environmental engineering; Alexis Rubell, music; altos Allison Chang, music; Leah Ginsky, music; Lauren Hartog, music; tenors Tim Ambrose, computer engineering; Brandon Colona, mechanical engineering; John Riffle, math and music; and basses James Blanchard, architectural engineering; Corey Hable, music; Chris Morales, business; and Jacob Nichols, music.

Paul Woodring, music staff member, will accompany the ensemble.

Tickets are \$14 for the public, \$12 for seniors and \$9 for students. Buy them at the Cal Poly Ticket Office from noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. To order by phone, call SLO-4TIX (756-4849).

The Music Department offers a 10 percent discount to patrons who buy season tickets to four of its events through the Cal Poly Ticket Office; a 15 percent discount is given on tickets to five or more events.

The concert is sponsored by Cal Poly’s College of Liberal Arts, Music Department, and Instructionally Related Activities program. For more information, call the Music Department at 805-756-2406.

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