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CONSPIRARE PRESENTS BIG SING

A Free Community Event Where the Audience is the Choir!

Thursday, October 16, 6:15 p.m.

Blanton Museum

200 East Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Austin TX

FREE admission

Information at www.conspirare.org or 512-476-5775

Austin's nationally acclaimed choral organization **Conspirare** reprises its successful community event the **Big Sing**. Led by Conspirare's artistic director Craig Hella Johnson and the Conspirare Symphonic Choir, Big Sing is a free, informal event where audience members themselves are the main performers. The Big Sing is open to everyone, regardless of musical training – no experience necessary.

Musical selections hand-picked by Johnson range from popular rounds, spirituals, and Beatles songs to the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's *Messiah* and popular twentieth-century standards from the Great American Songbook.

"This is such a great community gathering," says Johnson. "We love the idea of letting our audience become part of the Conspirare experience. We thrill and sometimes challenge the singing audience, always with remarkably beautiful and inspirational results."

The hour-long event will be held at the Blanton Museum. Big Sing participants are invited to stay afterward and view the museum's special exhibition "James Drake: Anatomy of Drawing and Space (Brain Trash)."

The Big Sing is supported by the Rachael & Ben Vaughan Foundation, City of Austin Cultural Arts Division, and Texas Commission on the Arts.

About Conspirare

Conspirare is a family of vocal ensembles known for delivering uniquely beautiful and transformative musical experiences. Its flagship ensemble is five-time Grammy®-nominated Company of Voices, a dream team of professional singers from around the country who share a commitment to ensemble artistry under the leadership of artistic director Craig Hella Johnson. The Conspirare Symphonic Choir, a large ensemble of both volunteer and professional singers, and two Conspirare Youth Choirs complete the Conspirare family. Conspirare's repertoire is as diverse as its talent, spanning eras from medieval to modern. It showcases the artists' rigorous classical training while expressing the voices of distinctive composers from Bach to Barber.

For more information, visit <http://conspirare.org/>

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