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PRESS RELEASE

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Ebony Opera Guild to Hold Annual Concert of Works by Black Composers on February 21 & 22

Houston Ebony Opera Guild will hold its ANNUAL AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSIC GALA on February 21 & 22. This year's concert will feature a chorus 40 men and women singing works by contemporary Black composers including Adolphus Hailstork, Betty Jackson King, John Cornelius, Diedre Robinson and Robert L. Morris. Cornelius and Robinson are both Morris' former students. Morris, an internationally known composer and founding director of the Leigh Morris Chorale of Minneapolis, will conduct.

DATE, TIME, LOCATION

Performances will be held at 7 p.m., Saturday, February 21 and 4 p.m. Sunday, February 22 at South Main Baptist Church, 4100 Main Street at Wheeler (Zip Code 77002).

TICKETS

Concert tickets are **available at the Shrine of the Black Madonna Bookstore** (5309 MLK Boulevard) **and Third World Imports** (3011 Caroline near Downtown Houston). Prices are as follows:

General Admission: \$20 in advance/\$25 at the door.

Group Rate for Saturday only: \$15 per person (for group of 10 or more)

Patron: \$40 with name listed in printed program for one concert

VOLUNTEER SPONSORSHIP BY FRIENDS OF HEOG

This yearly concert has been sponsored by Friends of Houston Ebony Opera Guild (FHEOG) since 1992 a group of 38 members committed to bringing the music the African American composers and performers to divers audience. The current Chairperson of Friends of HEOG is Sonya Cobbin.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SOURCES

For additional information, call 713-335-3800 or visit the Houston Ebony Opera Guild's website at www.houstonebonymusic.org.

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