

Jane Hartman Jazz Trio to perform with the Quincy Symphony Chorus

Come ready for some toe-tapping and finger-snapping, as the Quincy Symphony Chorus hosts the *Jane Hartman Jazz Trio* at 7:30 PM on Saturday evening, March 5 at the Salem Evangelical United Church of Christ, at the corner of 9th and State streets in Quincy. A CENTURY OF CLASSICS will showcase the most famous songs from throughout the 20th Century.

The chorus will perform selections from Greg Gilpin's contemporary collection entitled *20th Century Celebration*. This Choral Revue will take showcase popular songs that have touched our lives, decade by decade. Songs to be performed include *Give My Regards to Broadway*, *Chattanooga Choo Choo*, *Fame*, and *Rock Around The Clock*, among many others. The Symphony Chorus, under the direction of Dr. Phyllis Robertson, is a regional singing group with members from many generations and walks of life coming together weekly for the fellowship, fun, and enjoyment of making music. The chorus performs three concerts each season, performing traditional choral works, an annual Pops concert, and often joining the Quincy Symphony for larger choral works. The chorus does not rehearse in the summer. Auditions are underway for new members who would like to begin rehearsals in the fall. Call 217-222-2856 for more information on how to join the chorus.

Special guests, the *Jane Hartman Trio* will share the concert, performing a variety of jazz standards to compliment the chorus selections. Jane Hartman is a pianist, composer, and vocalist. She is multiple winner of the Illinois Times "Best Musician" award, and also owns the 1998 Springfield Mayor's Award, Individual Artist category. She has performed with and/or for numerous celebrities. Based in Springfield, IL, the Jane Hartman Trio is a multiple winner of the Illinois Time's "Best Jazz Combo" category, and has performed 2 tours of Japan as well as touring England. Jane's 1995 self-produced CD, entitled "Jane Hartman", became the best selling Jazz album for the Webster Groves record label. Since then Jane has released three CD's: *Just You Imagine* - 1999, *Rediscovered Treasures* -2000, and *Tidings of Comfort and Joy* -2004. Jane will be available to greet the audience and to sign CDs purchased at the concert. Mrs. Hartman holds a Masters Degree in Classical Piano Performance from Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville. She was guest soloist with the Illinois Symphony in February, 2001, performing George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue." She is specifically known for her tasteful and inventive weaving of classical piano compositional elements with standard jazz repertoire.

Concert tickets for *A Century of Classics* will be available at the door or may be purchased in advance from the Symphony Office at 200 N. 8th St., Suite 102, or from Sturhahn Jewelers, 2801 Broadway Rd. in Quincy. The cost is \$15 for adults and \$12 for seniors. Thanks in part to support from the Tracy Family Foundation, children 18 and under are admitted free to all QSO concerts, and are encouraged to attend. The performance is made possible in part by Music Sponsor Klingner & Associates, media sponsor STARadio WTAD, by the Marion Gardner Jackson Charitable Trust, and by the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency. The Golden Baton Sponsors for all season concerts are the Knapheide Manufacturing Company and Dene Lambkin Honda, Hyundai, and Hertz.

The QSOA is holding a fundraising raffle and needs support from the community at large. Raffle tickets are for sale for \$10 each or 12/\$100, and are available from any chorus, orchestra, Encore!, or board member. The \$1,000 grand prize drawing will be held at the Quincy Symphony's *Harmonic Rhythms* Finale Concert on April 9. The winner need not be present at the drawing. Raffle proceeds will support the many programs of the Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association, including the Youth Orchestra, Youth Chorus, Concerts for children, Choral concerts, and Quincy Symphony Orchestra concerts. Visit the website www.qsoa.org or call the Symphony office for more information 222-2856.