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## **Mosaic Youth Chorus to have their 'Spring Fling' on June 12**

Denver CO (May 1) — Mosaic Youth Chorus will have their "Spring Fling," an evening marking the exuberance of spring on June 12, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church United Methodist, 690 Colorado Boulevard at Seventh Avenue in Denver.

Mosaic Youth Chorus is Rocky Mountain Arts Association's safe-space chorus for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning youth and their straight friends, age 14 to 20. Mosaic's goal is to provide a safe space for youth simply to be themselves while surrounded by positive adult and peer role models.

This is a free concert with a suggested donation of \$10 for adults over 21. (You may make your contributions online at the Rocky Mountain Arts Association Web site, <http://www.rmarts.org>; amounts under \$10 are gladly accepted at the concert, but only the \$10 amount can be processed online.)

The concert will feature full-chorus and solos, duets, and small-ensemble selections in a lively evening of music. Full-chorus selections will include Etta James's "At Last"; Stephen Schwartz's "For Good" (from the musical *Wicked*; "I Dream a World," a setting of African-American poet Langston Hughes's poem made popular by Vanessa Williams; "You Can't Stop the Beat" from *Hairspray*; and John Lennon's "Imagine," which has become an anthem for voices seeking a better world.

"Spring Fling is presented as an opportunity to showcase the wonderfully talented youth that I have the pleasure of working with every week," says Mosaic's Artistic Director Kendall Bridges. "Please join us for an evening of music for young and old alike."



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## Mosaic's 'Spring Fling' (add 2)

Kendall Bridges is artistic director of Mosaic Youth Chorus. He is a graduate of the University of Northern Colorado with a bachelor's degree in music education. He brings the Chorus over 12 years of vocal music instruction with the public school system with Denver Public Schools, Pittsburg (California) Unified School District, and Adams County School District 14. He is currently active in the tenor section of the Colorado Chorale, and prior to returning to Colorado, sang tenor and served on the board of directors for the Oakland Symphony Chorus.

Mosaic's principal accompanist is Wendy Nestrud, a former nurse who pursued her musical ambitions and received a bachelor's degree in musical performance from Metropolitan State College in Denver in 2001. She teaches privately in her home, collaborates with other musicians, and has accompanied at other local schools.

Mosaic Youth Chorus is funded in part by the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District and the Colorado Council on the Arts' safe-space youth arts programs in Colorado, YouthReach.



**Mosaic Youth Chorus at an earlier concert.**

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