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Cocktails & Cabaret Fundraiser at Vigneto in July

Featuring Guest Artist Kishna Davis with Robert Nance

May 30, 2008 – Fort Wayne, IN. The Heartland Chamber Chorale will host their *Cocktails & Cabaret* at *Vigneto* in Covington Plaza on Monday July 21, 2008 from 5:30-8:00PM (this event was originally scheduled for May 19th; all tickets already purchased are good for the new date). Reservations are still being accepted for this limited seat performance; visit www.HeartlandChorale.org for secure online purchase.

Guest Artist Kishna Davis, who is the headliner for this event, will be fresh off her European tour of Gershwin's opera, *Porgy & Bess*, in which she played the leading role of Bess. Artistic Director Robert Nance relates that "We are particularly enthusiastic about her coming to sing for us after this important debut. No doubt everyone in Fort Wayne will want to be at our Cabaret in July when this rising star will sing a rich array of American music, including a rendition of "Summertime." Davis and Nance are scheduled to record an album together this summer, so you'll probably hear samples of their work at this live event.

Tickets for the Cabaret Fundraiser at *Vigneto* are \$50/person, which includes one cocktail and American style hors d'oeuvres by Chef Lisa Williams. A portion of your ticket is tax-deductible. A small instrumental ensemble will perform throughout the evening, with live Karaoke available for the rising cabaret stars in the audience. Performances featuring Ms. Davis and Maestro Nance takes place at various intervals throughout the evening.

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Now presenting outstanding vocal music performances in its eleventh season, the 26-member Heartland Chamber Chorale is Northern Indiana's only professional chorus. Founded by Artistic Director Robert Nance, the Heartland Chamber Chorale performs in and around Fort Wayne throughout the year. The HCC also engages promising young vocalists through educational outreach programs like our *Side-by-Side in Song* and *Project Sing!* initiatives. The purpose of the Heartland Chamber Chorale is to perform high quality choral chamber music to enrich audiences in the Fort Wayne community, Northeast Indiana, and beyond, with a goal to serve as a professional resource to the community for matters pertaining to the art of chamber vocal music.

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