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THE THREE WISEMEN STOP IN GERMANTOWN, PA!

TOUCH OF CLASSICS! MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT Presents Gian Carlo Menotti's Holiday Classic AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS for One Performance Only!

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania - 1/1/2012 - Philadelphia's *TOUCH OF CLASSICS! Musical Entertainment* is presenting the classic holiday opera *AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS* by Gian Carlo Menotti featuring a professional cast of Philadelphia performers and local South Jersey talent in a fully staged and costumed production at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Tulpehocken & McCallum Streets in Germantown, PA. The Opera will be performed at 2:30pm on January 15th in the main sanctuary of the church and will be accompanied by piano. The production will continue the 25th. Anniversary Season of the Philadelphia based *TOUCH OF CLASSICS! MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT* and feature Dorothy Cardella and James R. Longacre , the co-founders, along with Clarksboro, NJ native Casey Howell, Soprano in the title role of Amahl. The hour long opera will be performed in English and is the perfect venue for the entire family.

Since 1951, the premiere year, *AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS* has been delighting audiences young and old with the story of the visit of the THREE KINGS on their way to pay homage to the Christ Child. The story focuses on the young crippled shepherd AMAHL and the miracle that ensues from the kingly visit. The musical production features South Jersey native Casey Howell, from Clarksboro NJ, as the young AMAHL. Also in the cast is Dorothy Cardella, Soprano, as AMAHL'S MOTHER, James R. Longacre, Tenor as KING KASPER, Bass-Baritone Edward Bogusz of Philadelphia as KING BELSHAZZAR, with Jonathan Sills, Bass-Baritone as the mellifluous KING MELCHIOR and Ross Druker As THE PAGE. The one time production is staged by Michael Tunney with Musical Direction by Joseph Krupa. The opera includes a cast of singers, actors and dancers from Philadelphia and admission is a Free Will Offering to Benefit Christ Church & St. Michael's. Curtain time is 2:30pm on January 15th, 2012 at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Tulpehocken & McCallum Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19144. Additional information can be found online at: http://www.touchofclassics.com/ .

Come celebrate Epiphany with TOUCH OF CLASSICS and the wonderful music of composer Gian Carlo Menotti by joining us at 2:30pm. on January 15th, 2012 for *AMAHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS* at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Tulpehocken & McCallum Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19144.

Remember, THE THREE WISEMAN STOP IN GERMANTOWN, PA FOR ONE DAY ONLY!

For a quarter of a century, Philadelphia's own TOUCH OF CLASSICS! MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT! has delighted audiences with the finest in vocal musical entertainment available in the Tri-State area. Dorothy Cardella and James Longacre, husband and wife duo have performed together in a variety of musical performances throughout the United States. Their specialties range from Opera to Operetta and Musical Theater, along with Cabaret and ethnic music. Individually, they have performed in productions with companies such as Opera Delaware, Opera Company of Philadelphia, Arden Theater and Walnut Street Theater, each having made a solo debut at Carnegie Hall in New York premieres. Dorothy has been soprano soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra and Delaware Symphony Orchestra, and James has performed a leading role with the Metropolitan Opera Guild, along with making a solo debut at Avery Fisher Hall. Graduates of the University of the Arts in Philadelphia, they are recognized together by their company name, Touch of Classics!Musical Entertainment and are available for concerts, parties and holiday events.