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**Call for Singers for the Richard Stockton College of New
Jersey Oratorio Society**

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GALLOWAY TWP., NJ – All interested singers are invited to join The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Oratorio Society in their weekly rehearsals in preparation for a December performance of Handel's "Messiah".

"Please tell everyone you know who may want to come and sing with us, to come out to rehearsals. All are welcome," Vaughn said.

To welcome new members and introduce them to Stockton's Oratorio Society, there will be an orientation evening at 7:30 p.m. on September 22 at the Townsend Residential Life Center during the Stockton Choral Workshop. (Rehearsals have been moved to the TRLC from their previous location in the Alton Auditorium due to renovations.)

The Stockton Oratorio Society, now in its 31st year, consists of students at Stockton College as well as members of the community ranging in age from 9 to over 90. To assist those members who have limited music reading skills, there will be a pre-rehearsal Music Fundamentals Class from 6:45-7:15 p.m. on a weekly basis beginning October 6.

The concert will be held on December 7 at St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church in Atlantic City. "We will celebrate our third (biannual) presentation of 'Messiah' at the exquisitely beautiful St. Nicholas Church, thanks to Monsignor (William) Hodge," said Professor of Music Dr. Beverly Vaughn who will be directing the performance. "We have plans to make this concert the most inclusive of our history, with visiting choirs and choristers from area churches, schools, synagogues and community organizations joining forces with Stockton."

For additional information, please call Stockton's Division of Arts and Humanities at (609) 626-3545.

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