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**Austin-area chorus announces world premiere of three works by esteemed local composer**

AUSTIN—Join the stunning vocal ensemble **Vocali** for a groundbreaking evening of world premieres as they introduce three large-scale choral and orchestral works of contemporary classical music by Austin composer **Patricia Long**. Under the baton of renowned conductor **Dr. Barry Scott Williamson**, an 80-voice choir and full orchestra will present these innovative and delightful works on Saturday, 19 June 2010, at 8 p.m. at Hope Presbyterian Church, 11512 Olson Dr., Austin.

Long's **Symphony No. 1 in D major** features as its third movement a beautiful Largo based on Long's Welsh song "Cymru Am Byth" ("Wales Forever"), originally presented by Dr. Williamson as a gift to the Llandaff Cathedral Choral Society in July 2006 during the choral symposium they shared with the Texas Choral Consort in Cardiff. The **Mass in E-flat "Millennium"** (1998) will receive its first complete performance, with more orchestration and a new Credo added to the work in late 2000. Joining Dr. Williamson and the Vocali choir in the Millennium Mass will be the Bethany United Methodist Church Chancel Choir (Curt Olson, director), soprano soloist Kirsten Watson and tenor soloist Blake Windlow.

Rounding out the program will be the **Suite for Piano, Orchestra and Special Percussion** (2006), a highly original five-movement work dedicated to the composer's son, United States Navy pilot Austin M. Long, IV. The suite utilizes strings, winds, brass, piano, a plethora of percussion instruments, and electric guitar. Brett Bachus brings his mastery of the piano to the debut of this suite.

Tickets are available via check or money order made out to Vocali, P.O. Box 202585, Austin, TX 78720-2585. Pick up prepaid tickets at the counter the night of the performance. \$20 adults; \$15 seniors, students, and military. Tickets are also available at the door on a cash basis.

For more information, please visit <[www.vocali.org](http://www.vocali.org)> or <[www.pmlmusic.com](http://www.pmlmusic.com)>.