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Rounds out the Season with Bernstein, Gershwin, and Others in

Apollo on Broadway

CHICAGO — The iconic **Apollo Chorus**, Chicago's oldest musical organization and premier volunteer chorus, continues its 2015-2016 season, celebrating the Broadway classics we know and love, with **Apollo on Broadway**. The **Apollo Chorus** performs these Broadway classics for the first time ever Friday, May 6, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at Fourth Presbyterian Church, 126 E. Chestnut St., Chicago, and Sunday, May 8, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at First United Church of Oak Park, 848 Lake Street, Oak Park.

Performed in collaboration with the American musical theatre, the performance of **Apollo on Broadway** will feature beloved arrangements from Gershwin, Rodgers, Porter, Bernstein, and Sondheim. These sophisticated arrangements will bring new interpretations to beautiful Broadway melodies in Apollo's first-ever salute to the stage.

The **Apollo Chorus** is Chicago's oldest musical organization, founded in 1872 in the aftermath of the Great Chicago Fire, performing preeminent choral works at premier venues. *Newcity* raves that "Alltop's unbroken track record for training his chorus to express such varieties of style and color rivals any other in the city!" Its approximately 120 auditioned members include men and women of all ages, races, and backgrounds brought together by their love of music. The **Apollo Chorus** has performed at notable historic events, such as the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition, the Century of Progress International Exposition, the opening of Medinah Temple, the opening of Orchestra Hall (**Apollo** was considered the official chorus of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra prior to the formation of the Symphony Chorus), the opening of Navy Pier, and Oprah's final show. Recently, the chorus performed at the 125th Anniversary Gala of the Auditorium Theatre with a rousing rendition of "Do You Hear the People Sing?" from the iconic musical *Les Misérables*. They also performed at the venue's 1889 opening.

The **Apollo Chorus** continually strives to advance musically and to share the power, beauty and majesty of choral music by presenting concerts and educational programs for diverse communities throughout Chicago and beyond.

Season subscriptions are \$100. Individual tickets are \$30-\$60. To purchase individual tickets or to book a group, call 312.427.5620 or visit www.apollochorus.org.

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