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### **University and Alumni Choruses Perform Brahms Requiem**

**Davis, Calif.**—**Jeffrey Thomas** directs the **University Chorus** and **Alumni Chorus**, along with the **UC Davis Symphony Orchestra**, in the **Brahms German Requiem** on **Sunday, March 9**, at **8 p.m.** in **Jackson Hall** of **Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts**. The concert features internationally known soloists **Tamara Matthews, soprano**, and **David Arnold, baritone**, who previously appeared in the Department of Music's presentation of the Verdi Requiem.

Unlike conventional requiem works, Brahms much-loved **German Requiem** (1865–68) employs passages from Luther's translation of the Bible, with a focus less on death and more on consolation for the living. The text avoids the notion of redemption through Christ, conveying a more universal than denominational religious sentiment—Brahms himself referred to the work as a “human requiem.”

Also on the program, graduate student **Jessica Bejarano** conducts the UC Davis **Chamber Singers** in **Arvo Pärt's Cantate Domino**, “**Missa Syllabica**” and the **Beatitudes**.

Tickets are \$10/13/16 for adults and \$5/6.50/8 for students and children. Purchase tickets online at [MondaviArts.org](http://MondaviArts.org), through the Mondavi Center ticket office at 530-754-ARTS (2787) or 866-754-ARTS (toll-free), or at the door. Accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request.

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