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***** Media Alert *****

Cabrillo Choruses to Perform at Carnegie Hall June 26 – Local Send Off Concert This Saturday
Saturday, June 17 – 7:00 p.m., Samper Recital Hall

APTOS, CA—Cabrillo College's choral groups have been invited to perform at Carnegie Hall in New York City on June 26, 2017 to premiere "Sunset In My Hand- Ancient Voices of the Wild Pacific Coast." This six-movement composition for Ensemble Monterey Chamber Orchestra, the Cabrillo Symphonic Chorus and Children's Choir is a commissioned work from world-renowned Latvian composer Eriks Ešenvalds.

Cabrillo College announces a special 'Send Off Concert' that is open to the community, on Saturday, June 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the Samper Recital Hall, Cabrillo College Aptos Campus, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos. All proceeds will benefit the Cabrillo Choral Program.

WHAT: Cabrillo Choruses and Ensemble Monterey Carnegie Hall Send Off Concert

WHEN: Saturday, June 17, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Samper Recital Hall, Cabrillo College Aptos Campus

TICKETS: General Admission: \$20, Students w/SAC Card: \$17, Seniors \$15

INFO: <http://www.cabrillovapa.com/events/cabrillo-chorus-goes-carnegie-hall>

The commissioned work and concert is in celebration of Choral Director Cheryl Anderson's 25th Anniversary of teaching at Cabrillo. "Sunset In My Hand" features the Cabrillo Youth Chorus, comprised of children from the Santa Cruz area led by Cabrillo students as part of their instructional program in conducting and teaching, under the direction of Cheryl Anderson. The adult choir includes students enrolled full-time at Cabrillo and singers from the community at large, who provide the continuity and depth of experience that enriches the choral experience of the younger singers.

The work's lyrics center on poetry from Californians including California State Poet Laureate Dana Gioia, John Steinbeck, Grace MacGowan Cooke, and Joseph Stroud (Emeritus Cabrillo Faculty). Reflecting the striking beauty of California's Central Coast, Ešenvalds selected the poetry after Cabrillo hosted him for a visit, during which he toured Big Sur, the historical Mission in Santa Cruz and the ancient redwoods and dramatic coastline of Wilder Ranch State Park. "Sunset In My Hand" is a celebration of the beauty of our region and our State.

About Cabrillo College

Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as A.A. and A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Cabrillo College is a dynamic, diverse and responsive educational community that is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic, career, and personal development goals.