

PRESS RELEASE

2015 VCS Music Scholarship Awarded (FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE)

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Amelia Dobbs Governor's School of the Arts and Maury High School

In November 2009, The Virginia Choral Society (VCS) established a scholarship fund for a high school graduating senior who desired to continue his/her education with a focus on music performance or education. VCS is pleased to announce and offer our congratulations for our 2015 award to Ms. Amelia Dobbs, a graduating senior from Maury High and the Governor's School of the Arts.

At our spring concerts, Ms. Dobbs will sing *Dien Blaues Auge* by Johannes Brahms. Ms. Dobbs will receive a \$1500.00 award.

Ms. Dobbs is a graduating fourth year senior at The Governor's School for the Arts and an AP scholar with distinction at Maury High School. Additionally, she is an intern with Virginia Musical Theatre and an apprentice with Americana Theatre Company.

She plans to attend a Bachelor of Fine Arts program for Musical Theatre in the fall.

She has performed regionally in several roles/shows: Tinkerbell in *Peter Pan*, Mrs. Anderson in *A Christmas Carol, Children of Eden, Holiday Melody, Oliver!* and *Legally Blonde*. At the Governor's School of the Arts, she was in the role of: Diana in *next to normal*, Emma Carew in *Jekyll and Hyde*, Mistress in *Evita* and Winifred Banks in *Mary Poppins*. Last year Amelia traveled to Japan with The Voices Of Virginia as a featured soloist. She would like to thank her friends, family, and GSA teachers for all the support over the years. Special thanks to Jen Martin for being the greatest mentor ever!

Three performances of "Majesty and Elegance: Händel and Haydn" have been scheduled as follows:

Friday
Saturday
Sunday
May 1, 8:00pm, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Hampton, Virginia
May 2, 8:00pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, Newport News, Virginia
May 3, 3:00pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, Newport News, Virginia

TICKET INFORMATION: Advance ticket purchases may be obtained from members of the VCS, at Pro Music and Sound Store (Tabb area), Guest Services at the Peninsula Town Center and online at www.vachoralsociety.com (ShowTix4U).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information regarding the Virginia Choral Society is provided on our webpage: www.vachoralsociety.org on the VCS Concert Line at 851-9114