

**Berkshire Bach Society**  
**PO Box 1002**  
**Great Barrington, MA 01230**

April 9, 2008

Dear Friends,

On Friday, May 9, maestro James Bagwell conducts our season-ending performance of **Gluck's *Orfeo ed Euridice***, the Vienna version, as a semi-staged "opera in concert" with our chorus, the Berkshire Bach Singers, soloists and orchestral ensemble. Rehearsals have been going on for some time and ***the excitement is palpable!*** **Buy your tickets now to reserve the best seats.** Call the Mahaiwe Box Office at 413 528-0100 or go online at [www.mahaiwe.org](http://www.mahaiwe.org).

This production of *Orfeo* is quite costly – **we need to raise \$20,000 to meet production costs** – but we believe it will be a unique experience for everyone to hear and see this famous and musically dynamic event live at the beautifully restored Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center.

To help us meet our goals, *we have received not one but TWO Challenge Grants:*      🎵

- A Board member will **match** every dollar received up to **\$10,000**.
- The Clark Charitable Trust will contribute **\$5000** towards that Challenge **if, and only if**, another \$5000 is raised from among our supporters **by May 9<sup>th</sup>**.

**EVERY dollar we receive by May 9th will be leveraged TWICE!** 🎵 **Clearly, now is the time to act!** After all, the show must go on! Please take a moment right now to return the form below with your check or credit card information. No contribution is too big or too small. However much ***you*** can afford, ***your support means the world to us!***

With heartfelt thanks and deepest appreciation,      🎵

Paula M. Hatch  
Executive Director

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Name as you wish it to appear in the 'Conductor's Circle' in the Program: \_\_\_\_\_

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***THANK YOU SO MUCH!***

**Donors at \$500 and above will receive a pair of complimentary tickets to *Orfeo*.**  
**Donors at \$1000 and above will receive two pairs of complimentary tickets to *Orfeo*.**  
(Your donation is fully tax-deductible minus the cost of the tickets you use.)