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## **2020 CHORAL FEST TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 15**

KENOSHA, Wis. (Monday, Jan. 13, 2020) – Kenosha Unified School District’s 54th annual Choral Festival will take place at Indian Trail High School and Academy, 6800 60th St., on Saturday, Feb. 15, at 6:30 p.m. The event will showcase over 1,300 students from KUSD’s elementary, middle, high and charter schools.

Tickets will be available online at [kUSD.edu/finearts](http://kUSD.edu/finearts) beginning January 21. All seats are reserved. Patrons can choose between the fieldhouse performance venue (\$10) or live-feed video auditorium seating (\$4). The performance also will be streamed live on Channel 20 and the KUSD YouTube stream. This event traditionally sells out, and tickets cannot be guaranteed at the door.

This year's guest conductor is Dr. Pearl Shangkuan, director of choral activities at Calvin University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Shangkuan will visit KUSD secondary schools to rehearse with the choirs on Thursday, Feb. 13 and Friday, Feb. 14. The concert will feature performances by seven individual high school choirs. In addition, there will be combined performances featuring mass choirs from middle and high school, men’s choir and the All-City Elementary Choir.

Participating directors and their schools are Bradley Mann, Bradford High School and Bullen Middle School; Kristen Singer, Harborside Academy; John Choi, Indian Trail High School and Academy; Polly Amborn, Tremper High School; Rita Gentile, Lance Middle School; Kathleen Crane, Lincoln Middle School; Beth Herrendeen-Smith, Mahone Middle School; Jeanne Olsen, Washington Middle School and Shannon Robertson, Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum.

Kristen Singer will serve as accompanist for the festival and Scott Plank, coordinator of fine arts, will serve as master of ceremonies.

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