

proudly presenting
Houston Women's Community Chorus

Heart Song

under the direction of LYNNE WEYNAND
in our First Annual Spring Concert!

Saturday, May 14, 1988, 8 pm
Sanctuary, FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH, 5210 Fannin

accompanied by: MARIANNE PENDINO

Emcees:
CINDY FREEDMAN
MARIANNE PENDINO

guest appearances by:
AUSTIN WOMEN'S CHORUS
CINDY FREEDMAN
COMPANERAS
DIANA WEYNAND

ORDER OF PROGRAM

SING SONGS OF JUBILATION	Johann Pachelbel Arranged by Allan R. Petker
MORE THAN A PAYCHECK	Ysaye M. Barnwell
COME SOFTLY TO ME	G. Troxel/G. Christopher/B. Ellis
DOG AND BUTTERFLY Amy Hook and Kathy Biehl, duet	A. Wilson/N. Wilson/S. Ennis
SISTER	Cris Williamson Arranged by Susan Halleman
IF YOU LOVE ME MM Hall, accompanist	Malvina Reynolds Arranged by Joyce Elaine Ellers
LOVE SONG FOR WOMEN Austin Women's Chorus	Ruth Huber
I CAN RECOVER Austin Women's Chorus	Ruth Huber
SEE MARY DO THINGS "See Mary Singers"	Lynn Herrick Special arrangement for HeartSong
ON CHILDREN	Music by Ysaye M. Barnwell Words from <u>The Prophet</u> by Kahil Gibran
ADI SHAKTI Cindy Freedman, soloist	M.S.S. Livtar/S.S. Gurudass Singh Khalsa Adapted by C. Freedman/S. Stewart

INTERMISSION

ONE FINE DAY	Gerry Goffin/Carole King Arranged by Allen Billingsley
HENAY MA TOV	Traditional Hebrew
GIFT OF LOVE Cindy Freedman and Marianne Pendino, duet	Marianne Pendino
HARRIET TUBMAN Denise Bullock, soloist	Waiter Robinson Arranged by Nancy Peterson
MUJER SANDINISTA Companeras	Libby Harding
LA ANDINA Companeras with HeartSong	Libby Harding
WHEN WE MADE THE MUSIC Judi Messina, accompanist Stephanie Reich, flutist	Kay Gardner
HEARTSONG	Music by Diana and Lynne Weynand Lyrics by HeartSong

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Diana Weynand

For the use of their homes: Dottie Dever, Lynne Weynand,
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... And many thanks to our guest performers and to our long-time supporters.

MEMBERS OF HEARTSONG

Charlene Baize	K. Noel Gregory	Kathleen M. Paulsen
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Gloria Gonzales	Marian Newman	*Lynne Weynand
		Tori Williams

*Indicates "See Mary Singers"

HEARTSONG

HeartSong began with a written invitation from Tori Williams to all women who were interested in beginning a women's chorus in Houston. In response, twenty-eight of us gathered in Tori's living room on a warm evening two years ago. As often happens with new groups, we dwindled to a faithful handful. Even though we often had fewer than two on a part, we continued to meet - continued to join our voices and our energies.

After many weeks of rehearsal, we brought the group forth in our first public appearance at an early morning peace rally. Inherent in the words and music sung that morning was the message that the music in each of us is sweetest when shared.

As this message spread with each subsequent performance, more and more women added their voices and their energy. And, as from the beginning, the voice we lifted enveloped the chorus and all who heard us with its healing and empowering strains of unity, joy, and love.

Tonight, over thirty strong and still growing, we sing our first solo concert. We collectively raise a larger voice - our voice, which now has a life of its own. It sings the melodies of our lives, our loves, our very souls. It is, we are, "HeartSong".

LYNNE WEYNAND

Music has always been a vital part of Lynne's life. She grew up making music with her sister, and later went on to earn both a Bachelors in Music and a Masters in Media Arts. During the course of her musical career, she has directed several choirs and musicals. Lynne honed her technical skills through her experience as a sound engineer for classical and popular recordings, and by producing numerous educational videos. Her talents, her energy, and her love are at the very heart of our HeartSong.

MARIANNE PENDINO

Marianne has displayed her talents as a pianist, lyricist, and comedienne in performances at Stages, Main Street Theatre, and the Comedy Workshop; by serving as musical director for the Jewish Community Performing Arts Camp; and in her film scores for Frame Work Productions. In addition, she uses her many talents performing "cultural work" for feminist and political events. Marianne is currently studying composition at the University of Houston, and is developing a one woman show.

CINDY FREEDMAN

Cindy's delightful blend of earth-heart folk music nurtures a hopeful vision of the future and sweet feelings of unity. For the past three years, she has been singing at Peace Gatherings and Inner Peace Workshops in Europe. This experience inspired her to record three cassettes which feature songs drawn from such diverse areas as folk, Broadway and new age. Singing songs which convey a universal sense of beauty and blessing, Cindy opens her listener's hearts to the healing power of sound and music.

COMPANERAS

Rawslyn Ruffin, Rossann Daumas, and Gloria Gonzales formed this trio to bring forth the musical messages of struggle, unity, and hopefulness written by our sisters living south of the border. Though they have only been together a short time, they have performed at both Latino and Anglo fundraisers and functions. Companeras is truly a welcomed addition to our women's music community.

AUSTIN WOMEN'S CHORUS

This chorus grew out of a series of vocal workshops for women. Since September, 1987, they have been meeting once a week to breathe, socialize, hug, and sing women's music. The diverse membership fluctuates around a core group of about ten women, who attend faithfully and carry the spirit. The chorus is directed by Ruth Huber, who is a singer and songwriter in her own right.

Members are: Diane Ayers, Janet Cobb, Denise Duncan, Ruth Huber, Holly Huestis, Eileen Irion, Nancy Lawler, Doll Mathis, Brenda Meng, Shirley Niedzwieki, Judith Pardon, Kaye Parker, Anne Zabolio.

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