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DULUTH -- Christmas choral music and orchestral works by Berlioz, Mozart, Mahler, Tschaikovsky and Enesco will be featured in the UMD Orchestra-Choral holiday concert at 8:15 p.m. Thursday (Dec. 8) in Kirby Student Center ballroom.

The 40-voice Concert Choir directed by Allen Downs, assistant professor of music, will open the program with a processional followed by works ranging from 17th century composer Sweelinck to 20th century composer Benjamin Britten.

The orchestra will feature Enesco's Rumanian Rhapsody No. 1, Op. 11 with Downs, a baritone, and Mrs. Dolores Langdon, a mezzo-soprano and instructor of music, as soloists. Dr. Robert House, professor and head of music, will conduct.

James E. Smith, associate professor of music, will wield the conductor's baton for the orchestra's presentation of Berlioz's "Overture to the Corsair."

William Oplinger, assistant professor of music, will conduct the UMD Chorale, a mixed chorus of 140 voices, in Berlioz's oratorio, "The Childhood of Christ," and Heinrich Schultz's "Magnificat."

The concert is free to the public.