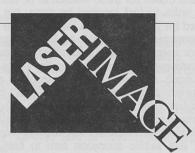
Boston Gay Men's Chorus Sings in St. Johnsbury and Hanover



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The Boston Gay Men's Chorus sang from their hearts and filled the North Congregational Church of St. Johnsbury with their love. ACAP (the Northeast Kingdom's AIDS Community Awareness Project) filled the house with an appreciative and diverse audience.

The evening was a tremendous success. The music produced by the 80 voices resonated through the impressive main sanctuary. The crisp black tuxedos and white shirts of the chorus members were framed by the church's large pipe organ as backdrop. On each lapel was a red ribbon. The power of the music was a wonderful celebration for the passing of the

Civil Rights Bill. After months (years!) of lobbying, arguing, cajoling, explaining and variously baring our lives in public and private testimony, it was especially welcome to be able to relax to the songs of self-identified gay men. Some of the pieces have been commissioned by this or other gay choruses. Others were new arrangements of old favorites, such as a Cole Porter medley built around Anything Goes. There were also a few pieces in a classical voice tradition (Mozart, Bruckner, Copland). The song Brother and Sister became a camp masterpiece as the chorus member struck poses — the limp wrists of the drag queen, the rapid arm movements of the snap queen, the aloof,



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