

**Manhattan Symphonie Celebrates its 10th Anniversary with Japan Choral Harmony “TOMO”
on Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**

New York, NY - November 10, 2015 --- The Manhattan Symphonie will perform its 10th anniversary concert with Japan Choral Harmony “TOMO” under the baton of founding director, Maestro Gregory Singer. This year marks the 70th anniversary since ending the Pacific War and the concert will also celebrate the memorable and historical “reconciliation” as well as the close, firm and enjoyable relationship established between the two nations over the last 70 years.

The gala concert will be held on the Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Monday, December 7, 2015 at Ethical Culture Concert Hall, 2 West 64th Street, New York, NY 10025. It will start at 7:00 pm (Doors open at 6:30 pm). The ticket is \$10.

The Manhattan Symphonie has enjoyed a vibrant collaboration with Japan Choral Harmony “TOMO” for the last several years, particularly at the annual 9.11 Circle Wind Memorial Concert that has been hosted by the choir commemorating those who lost their lives during the 911 tragedy. Maestro Singer states “We are very fortunate and honored that TOMO will join us for this very special occasion of the Manhattan Symphonie’s 10th Anniversary and the “reconciliation” concert.” Mike Shirota, Music Director of TOMO agrees saying “This is very significant as it is held on Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. It is the most uncomfortable day for the Japanese people living in the USA, and August 6th (Hiroshima) and 9th (Nagasaki) are the days that American people living in Japan have the feeling vice versa. But, we both understand and have accepted what happened 70-75 years ago between us without distorting the history and criticizing each other. Now we are in a matured relationship with a strong alliance in every respect that can be proud of to the rest of the world.”

The orchestra and choir will perform Finlandia by Sibelius, Pavane by Fauré, War and Peace by Gregory Singer, Kusunoki by Masaharu Fukuyama and a few more songs together. The Manhattan Symphonie will perform alone the selections from Maestro Singer’s original compositions featuring jazz, country, waltz and symphonic works.

Over the years, the Manhattan Symphonie has performed numerous concerts for many natural disaster relief fundraisers, including for the Philippines, Japan and China. Every year, the orchestra participates the annual 9.11 memorial concert and helps community fund drives across New York City. The Manhattan Symphonie has had the pleasure of performing in Carnegie Hall, Alice Tully Hall, Avery Fisher Hall, Merkin Hall, the United Nations and at the prestigious Barge Music Series. The orchestra has also enjoyed four concert tours of China to celebrate close diplomatic relations and will embark on their fifth tour this December.

The concert is presented by *Manhattan Symphonie Orchestra* (<http://www.manhattansymphonie.com>) and *9.11 Circle Wind Memorial Concert Corp.* (<http://kazenowa911.blog6.fc2.com>).

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