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## Lyceum Philharmonic Performs Beethoven Symphony 9 with Sterling Singers

Soloists Melissa Heath, Valerie Nelson, Robert Breault, Christopher Holmes

*May 4, 2012, Salt Lake City, Utah* – On May 12<sup>th</sup>, the Lyceum Philharmonic, under the direction of Kayson Brown, will be performing Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 at Libby Gardner Hall. Joining the Lyceum Philharmonic are the Sterling Singers and soloists Soprano Melissa Heath, Mezzo Valerie Nelson, Tenor Robert Breault and Baritone Christopher Holmes.

As a young man, hearing Beethoven's Ninth Symphony changed Brown's life. Conducting it now for the first time, some 20 years later, brings him full circle. Brown said, "It is my hope that whether you are hearing or seeing it performed for the first time or for the 10<sup>th</sup>, it affects your life in as positive way as it did mine."

Tickets are \$10 and are available online at http://www.American-Heritage.org/Show or at the door.

What: Beethoven's Symphony No. 9

When: May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Where: Libby Gardner Hall

Who: Lyceum Philharmonic, the Sterling Singers, Melissa Heath, Valerie Nelson, Robert Breault,

Christopher Holmes

Tickets: \$10.00. Senior and student discounts available

## **About American Heritage Lyceum Philharmonic**

The American Heritage Lyceum Philharmonic is comprised of talented students, ages 13-18, from across the state of Utah. These young musicians come from many different schools to participate in an after-school music program hosted at American Heritage School in American Fork. Their mission includes performing music that educates both heart and mind.

The Lyceum Philharmonic was named "Best Youth Instrumental Group" in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 by Best of State® Utah and has been recognized across the nation as one of the country's premier youth performing ensembles. Under the direction of Kayson Brown, these young musicians have performed alongside some of the music industry's leading artists, including The 5 Browns, Jenny Oaks Baker, Michael Ballam, Dallyn Vail Bayles, Steven Sharp Nelson, Alex Boyé and Peter Breinholt.

In early 2012, the Lyceum Philharmonic collaborated with cellist Steven Sharp Nelson and "The Piano Guys" to produce "Beethoven's 5 Secrets". In its first three months, the video received more than 3 million views on YouTube and remained number one on the iTunes charts through April. For more information about the Lyceum Philharmonic, visit www.LyceumPhilharmonic.org.