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HOME IS WHERE
The Heart Is

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Messages

Dr. Kevin Johnson Director

This October was a busy month for the Spelman College Glee Club had the honor of performing at the incredible Jessye Norman's homegoing service, participated in Spelman's "A Day In Your Life" service, continued rehearsing for Mahler's 8th Symphony with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, and recently, held our anual homecoming festivities, where we welcomed back many of distinguished alumnae. Seeing you all reminded our current members of the beauty we create in our music, and the passion it requires. I am ecstatic to see how the Glee Club grows from here.



Jessica Hannsberry C'2020 President

In October, we have continued preparing for the Mahler 8 performance, including having our first rehearsal with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus director. We have also continued working on music for our annual Christmas Carol concert and began rehearsals with Morehouse for the mixed chorus. This month, we also welcomed back many of our Glee Club alumnae during Homecoming week and had a wonderful rehearsal sharing music with them.



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

GREETINGS SPELMAN SISTERS,

October has been a reminder of the long reach of the Glee Club's sisterhood, especially in seeing many of you at our homecoming rehearsal, reception, and tailgate tent. Reflecting on this year's homecoming theme, "home is where the heart is," I was reminded that Spelman College is home for so many: the memories carried back to Fine Arts 107 were echoed throughout the room during rehearsal, as current students and alumnae sang Glee favorites together years after graduating. I was reminded that this room holds the hearts of so many: every time we sing, we are singing with generations of our Spelman Sisters, all called home at one point or another. I want to sincerely thank all who attending homecoming festivities, and remind all that a home always exists for you in the Glee Club.

**Best Regards,
Shelby Richardson C'2021**



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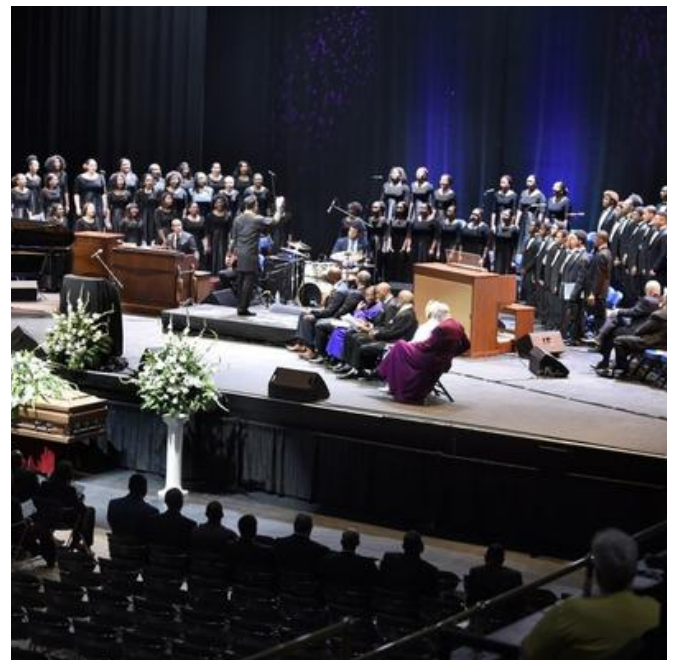
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The Legacy of Jessye Norman



Renowned world opera singer, Jessye Norman (1945-2019), paved the way for so many African American artists to come. A five-time Grammy Winner, Jessye Norman embraced the unusual with her broad repertoire and unique performance style.

On September 30th, Jessye Norman passed away at 74 years old. Her homegoing service was held on October 12th in her home town of Augusta, GA. Many artists and political leaders gave tributes to the late Jessye Norman, including the Spelman and Morehouse College Glee Clubs.

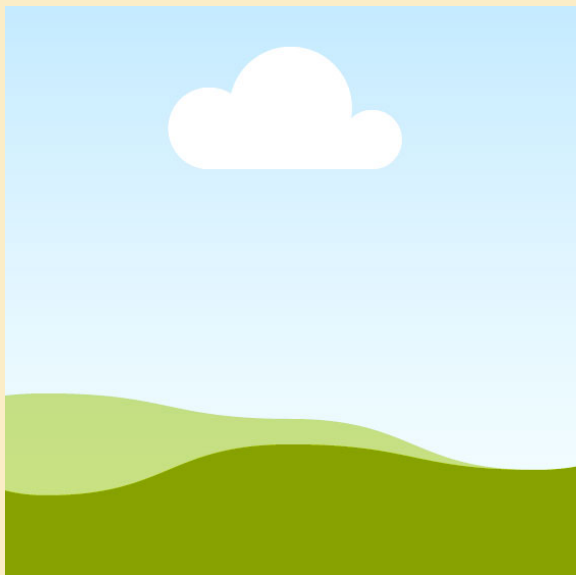


*Spelman & Morehouse Glee Clubs pay tribute to
Jessye Norman at her homegoing service, 12 Oct
2019*

SPELMANITE SPOTLIGHT

ELAINE RANSOM C'2023

"My name is Elaine Ransom, a first-year music major from Alexandria, VA. Upon entering Spelman a few months ago, I was struggling to find my niche of friends. I did not have anyone here to talk to and I felt pretty isolated. But since then, I have found some of my closest friends in Glee! I auditioned with my now best friend and we've been going through the process of transitioning into college together. Before I even knew anyone, a fellow music major and Glee sister reached out to me to check-in. She gave me her number and just let me know that there was someone looking out for me here. She has been a great big sister to me! People like her are why I love the Glee Club and Spelman in general. There is always a sister I can call on. This homecoming, it was incredible how these bonds last beyond Spelman. I await the day to come back for Homecoming and show the students why we say...'SCGC... FOR LIFE!!'"



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There are plenty of fall fun activities:

- Carnival games
- Pumpkin carving
 - Corn maze
 - Wagon rides
 - Sack races
- Scarecrow making
 - Pie bake-off
- Face painting
- Craft booths
- Live music



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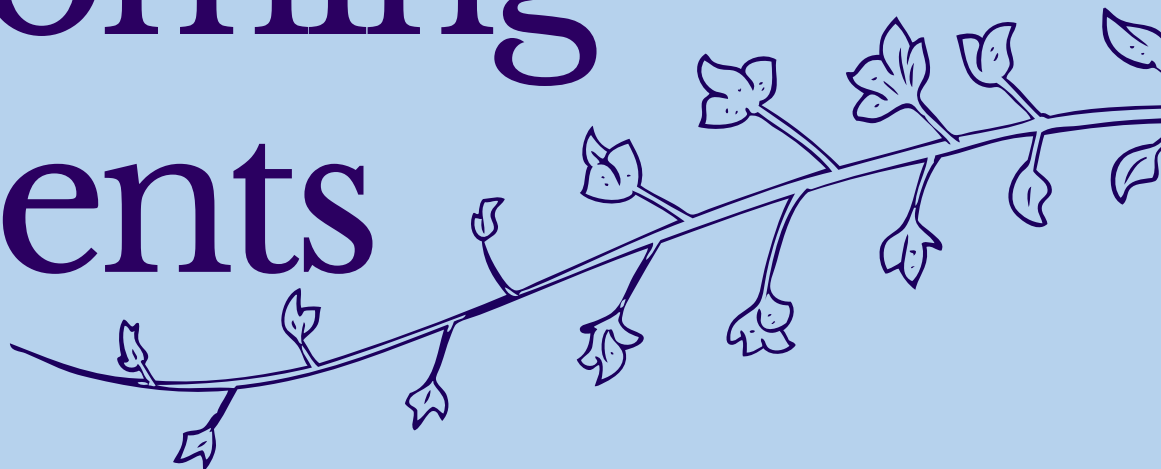
Retrospective

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Throughout the month, the Spelman College Glee Club has been rehearsing for our upcoming performance of Mahler's 8th Symphony, in conjunction with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra. Later this month, we began mixed rehearsal with the Morehouse College Glee Club for the annual Christmas Carol Concert in December. On October 12th, the Spelman and Morehouse College Glee Clubs had the privilege of honoring the life of Jessye Norman at her homegoing service in Augusta, GA. Soon after, SCGC performed in Spelman's "A Day in Your Life" program for prospective Spelmanites and their parents. The culmination of the month was welcoming back our distinguished alumnae for the homecoming rehearsal, reception, and tailgate tent, celebrating the legacy of the Glee Club.

*Thank you for reading this month's
edition of Resonance!*

Upcoming Events



Thursday, November 14 & Saturday, November 16th

Mahler's 8th Symphony with the Atlanta Symphony
Orchestra

Symphony Hall, 7:00PM

Tuesday, December 3rd

A Taste of Christmas

Sisters Chapel, 11:00AM

Saturday, December 7th

Annual Christmas Carol Brunch

Manley Atrium, 10:30AM

Friday, December 6th - Sunday, December 8th

93rd Annual Spelman-Morehouse Christmas Carol Concert

King's Chapel & Sister's Chapel

7:30PM Friday & Saturday, 6:00PM Sunday