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# NEWS

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**October 16, 2007 - Philadelphia, PA --** A cocktail reception celebrating a fundraising milestone in the naming of the Elaine Brown Chair in Choral Music at the Boyer College of Music and Dance at Temple University will be held on October 21. Contributing alumni and friends of the Boyer College will gather to commemorate Elaine Brown's commitment and dedication to bringing people together through the choral arts and to share in the announcement that the campaign has reached the \$500,000 mark, ensuring the establishment of the Chair.

Alan Harler, Chair of the Department of Choral Activities at Boyer, and recent recipient of the Elaine Brown Award from the American Choral Directors' Association, will lead the Temple University Concert Choir in a tribute to Dr. Brown.



Elaine Brown dedicated her life of service to others through music. She inaugurated the Choral Conducting Curriculum for undergraduate students at Temple University, educating many musicians who went on to serve the community, reaching classrooms, concert halls and neighborhoods throughout greater Philadelphia. Her idea of building a "Singing City" was realized in 1948 with the founding of a non-profit by the same name, which is currently celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

This combined effort to create a lasting tribute to Dr. Brown is indeed, a testament to her unparalleled influence among educators and choral musicians.

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