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(September 10, 2010)-Cantus, a Minnesota-based, nine-member men’s a cappella ensemble, will open the 2010–11 University of Minnesota, Morris Performing Arts Series on Friday, September 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center’s Edson Auditorium.

Professional chamber musicians, Cantus members rehearse and perform without a conductor or music director. The ensemble is known for a repertoire that spans all periods and genres. The Morris performance will include contemporary works, art songs, early music, world music, and pop.

Classical Minnesota Public Radio named Cantus its Artists-In-Residence for the 2010–11 season. In Classical MPR’s news release, Managing Director Brian Newhouse said, “The joy and passion they bring to their music makes them a perfect fit for the residency’s mission and spirit.” And Fanfare magazine describes the group as “…the premier men’s vocal ensemble in the United States.”

The Performing Arts series, including the Cantus performance, is made possible in part by a grant provided by the Minnesota State Arts Board, through an appropriation by the Minnesota State Legislature from the Minnesota arts and cultural heritage fund with money from the vote of the people of Minnesota on November 4, 2008.

For ticket information, contact the Office of Student Activities at 320-589-6080.