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The University of Dayton

News Release

HANDS IN HARMONY TO PERFORM AT UD

DAYTON, Ohio, Oct. 26, 1988--Hands in Harmony, the University of Dayton's sign singing ensemble, will perform on Sunday, Nov. 13 at 8 p.m. in the Kennedy Union Boll Theatre. The performance is free and open to the public.

Developed through the music therapy program at UD, the 20-member group uses sign language to interpret popular music. The group includes students who are majoring in music therapy as well as students majoring in other subjects. Approximately one-third of the members are not students but members of the Dayton-area community.

"The concert is something you have to see to appreciate," said Mary Beth Brown, director of the group and a part-time member of the UD music division faculty. "The shows are enjoyable for both hearing and hearing-impaired members of the audience. They give the nondisabled members of the audience a different way of listening to music. When you see the signs, you get a different perspective of the music."

Hands in Harmony performs to tapes of popular music. The Nov. 13 performance will feature "Don't Worry, Be Happy," "Goodnight Sweetheart," and "Free to Be You and Me," as well as other songs.

For further information on Hands in Harmony, call the UD music division at (513) 229-3936.