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# RV Chorale Schedules Weekend Performances

The 80-member Rogue Valley Chorale will present its spring concert in two performances, the first at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, and the second at 3 p.m. Sunday, both in Medford Congregational Church, 1801 East Jackson St.

The public is invited. Tickets may be obtained at the door or from local members of the chorale.

The chorale is directed by Lynn Sjolund, director of the Medford Senior High School Choir. Highlight of the concert will be the presentation of Ernest Bloch's "Avodath

Hakodesh (Sacred Service)," with Ann Turner Bunnell and Dr. Gregory Fowler as vocal soloists, and Larry Crummer, organist.

Other selections include music by Pablo Casals, Lundvik and Stravinsky. A third portion of the program will be "Prelude for Voices" by William Schuman, with Bunnell as soloist, and a group of numbers, "Songs of Nature," by Dvorak.

Bunnell, a resident of Grants Pass, is on the faculty of Rogue Community College. She has been soloist with the

Roger Wagner Chorale, sang seven seasons with the New York City Opera, and had roles with the Los Angeles and San Francisco civic light opera companies. She was soloist with the Peter Britt Music Festival in 1977, and last fall sang the lead role in "Madame Butterfly," presented by the Rogue Valley Opera Company.

The chorale draws its membership from the entire Rogue Valley. Local singers participating this spring, in addition to Bunnell, are Ron Hollensted, Dr. Richard Frisbie, Doug Norgy and Ron Rothe. Rogue River members are Dorothy Score, Meredyth Webb and Beverly O'Leary.

Local members of the board of directors are Dorene Hollensted, Kathy Gallagher, Pat Ratz and Deane Tack.