The All-State Workshop is open to all high school students interested in preparing the Iowa All-State Choral repertoire. Mount Mercy’s Coordinator of Campus Music Dr. Gerry Kreitzer and distinguished clinicians Carol Tralau and Allen Chapman will coach the singers in learning notes, rhythms and texts for each piece. They will also offer coaching in the expression and style of each piece, and offer helpful approaches and demonstrations of the audition process.

In sectionals, recordings will be made of each individual part, and recordings will be made of the mass choir rehearsals. These recordings will be made available for download on the Mount Mercy All-State Choral web page.

**Workshop dates are August 1-3, 2013, and will run from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Singers must purchase and bring their own all-state music packet with them. Packets may be purchased beginning July 26 through: Kephart’s Music Center, 126 East Water St., P.O. Box 139, Decorah, Iowa 52101**

**Registration fee is $35** – which includes sessions and mid-morning snacks. To register, please complete and return the form to Dr. Kreitzer, priority will be given to those received by Wednesday, June 12, 2013.

Meet Dr. Gerald Kreitzer ~ Kreitzer received his Bachelor of Fine Arts in music education and his Master of Music in music history and literature from the University of South Dakota. He received his Doctor of Musical Arts in choral conducting from the University of Iowa. Prior to coming to Mount Mercy, Kreitzer served as director of vocal music for 22 years at Washington High School in Cedar Rapids, and also taught at The University of Northern Iowa, The University of South Dakota, Indian Hills Community College, and LaSalle High School. Kreitzer has served as president of the Iowa Music Educators Association, musical director of the metropolitan chorale in Cedar Falls/Waterloo, musical director of the Black Hills Playhouse, is the Chancel Choir director at First Congregational Church in Cedar Rapids, and is a frequent adjudicator and clinician in Iowa and surrounding regions. As coordinator of campus music, Kreitzer directs the Mount Mercy University Band, the Mount Mercy Strings, assists students in forming new musical ensembles, is developing a Summer Music Academy and teaches Elementary Music Methods and Introduction to Music.

Meet Carol Tralau ~ Carol A. Tralau is currently director of music at St. Paul’s United Methodist Church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, as well as an instructor of voice for approximately thirty high school students. During her tenure as a high school director, she taught music and biology and coached basketball and softball. The choirs she directed performed on one national and three regional ACDA convention programs. In addition, Tralau accepted the invitation to direct the demonstration choir for the undergraduate conducting competition at the 1999 national ACDA convention in Chicago. She has guest conducted various honor choirs in the Midwest, including an Iowa Opus Honor Choir, a Minnesota all-state choir, a North Central division ACDA women's honor choir, and the South Dakota All-State Honor Choir. She still enjoys preparing quartets for all-state auditions and serves as an all-state clinician for several Cedar Rapids area schools. Having experienced vocal problems in 1993 due to illness, she has done further study with speech pathologists and is intrigued with the ‘mechanics’ of vocal production.

Meet Allen Chapman ~ Allen Chapman is a graduate of Iowa Wesleyan College (B.A. Music Ed) and Truman State University (M.A. Voice). He has taught at every level, elementary through college, in a remarkable career spanning more than four decades. Allen’s choirs appeared on twelve divisional and national MENC and ACDA convention programs. He and his late wife, Sandra, directed ten concert tours of Europe. His show choirs were competition finalists and champions across the Midwest and he was a co-founder of the Iowa Show Choir Camp. He is renowned in Southeast Iowa for directing outdoor community Broadway musical productions which drew audiences approaching 10,000 people. Soloists from Allen’s voice studio have won the NATS competition and nearly 500 of his students have been selected for membership in the Iowa All-State Chorus. Professionally, Chapman has been an ICDA district chair, chairman of the IHSMA committee that founded the State Show Choir Competition, and served for ten years as the All-State Choral Chair.

Questions? Contact Mount Mercy’s Coordinator of Campus Music, Dr. Gerald Kreitzer, gkreitzer@mtmercy.edu, 319-363-1323 ext. 1226.

For up-to-date information or to download a registration form, please visit [www.mtmercy.edu/music](http://www.mtmercy.edu/music) and click on All-State Choral Workshop.