

# **SCKMEA 2011 Elementary Honor Choir & Teacher Workshop**

## **Saturday, October 29, 2011**

### **Schedule**

- 8:00 – **Registration** at Andover Central High School, 603 East Central, Andover. Teacher hospitality room opens.
- 8:30 – **Choir rehearsal begins.** Teachers will help seat students and are welcome to watch the beginning of the rehearsal.
- 9:15 – 10:45 – **TAKADIMI and Beyond, Teacher Workshop with Dr. Carol Krueger.**
- 10:15 – 10:30 - **Snack and beverage break for Part I singers.**
- 10:30 – 10:45 – **Snack and beverage break for Part II singers.**
- 10:45 – 11:40 - **Final Choir rehearsal.**
- 11:40 – 12:00 – **Rehearsal ends;** teachers help students prepare for concert.
- 12:00 (noon) – **Honor Choir Concert** in Andover Central High School Auditorium.

### **TAKADIMI and Beyond**

Working from the premise that students learn musical skills in much the same order as they do language skills, participants will explore how we “learn” music through hearing and imitating patterns before reading (translating notation into sound) and writing (translating sound into notation). The pedagogy also includes a sequence of instruction that results in a strong link between sound and notation. The TAKADIMI rhythm-pedagogy system, a beat-oriented system whose originators see it as evolving from Gordon’s syllable, will be incorporated. Specific techniques for developing rhythm reading readiness, literacy, audiation, musical memory, dictation, and elementary composition will be addressed.