**December 2009 Issue**

**Tis the Season**

As the temperature drops and the snow begins to fall, warm your spirit with holiday cheer at these events.

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**Celebration for the Season by the Handel Society**

The Handel Society of Dartmouth College will perform Handel's Christmas Oratorio, Messiah, conducted by Lewis Finlay, with the New Hampshire Master Chorale and the Dartmouth Symphony Orchestra. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. Additional performances will be held on December 19 and 22. For more information, visit dartmouth.edu/handelsociety.

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**The Christmas Revels 2009: A Scottish Celebration of the Winter Solstice**

The Christmas Revels celebrates the Scottish Highlands with music, dance, pageantry, tomfoolery, and sing-alongs. The cast of 80 includes adult and child singers from the surrounding community along with special guest performers. Local standouts include Upper Valley-based accordionist, Jennifer McLane; harpist Patricia Stedeford of Vershire, VT.; Highland dancer Camille Ames of Hovey; and soprano Lindsey Warren of Brattleboro, VT.

Thursday and Friday, December 17 and 18 at 7 p.m. • Saturday, December 19 at 2 and 7 p.m. • Sunday, December 20, at 1 and 5 p.m. • Hopkins Center, Spaulding Auditorium • $23 adults, $10 ages 18 and younger ($5 on Thursday, Dec. 17), Dartmouth students $5 • 646-2422

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