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### **Pleasanton Library Presents Verdi Soprano Hope Briggs In Free Concert on January 25**

*Pleasanton, CA*—Critically acclaimed Verdi soprano Hope Briggs will appear in a free concert at the Pleasanton Library on Sunday, January 25, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. Recognized for the depth and beauty of her voice and a commanding stage presence, she has performed extensively on the concert stage at venues around the world.

Also widely sought after as a recitalist, Briggs has performed for Oberlin Conservatory, African-Americans for Los Angeles Opera, Madewood Music Festival, Afrosolo Music Festival at the Yerba Buena Performing Arts Center, Concerts at the Abbey in Seattle and Caio Melissa in Spoleto, Italy. By special invitation, she performed for Jessye Norman at Alliance Française Trophée des Arts Gala and for Reverend Billy Graham at the Billy Graham Crusade.

For more information about this and other library events, please visit the library's website at [www.cityofpleasantonca.gov/services/library](http://www.cityofpleasantonca.gov/services/library), or call (925) 931-3400 ext. 4.

#### **About Pleasanton**

*The City of Pleasanton is a vibrant Northern California community of 71,000 residents situated at the crossroads of Interstates 580 and 680, in close proximity to the San Francisco and San Jose metropolitan areas. The city's location has historical significance as a major trading route of early Native Americans and later along the route of the First Transcontinental Railroad. Pleasanton is a major suburb identified by the U.S. Census as one of the wealthiest middle-sized cities in the nation and was included on Money Magazine's list of the 'Best Cities to Live 2014' and on 24/7 Wall Street's list of 'America's 50 Best Cities to Live'. Among Pleasanton's many attractions are an excellent school system, a highly educated workforce, 1,200 acres of parkland and recreational open space, a nationally recognized business park, a regional retail shopping mall, and a historic downtown district. For more information, please visit [www.cityofpleasantonca.gov](http://www.cityofpleasantonca.gov).*

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