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Do You Know JACK?

ClefWorks' Third Season Features Out-of-the-Box Concerts January 28 and 30

MONTGOMERY, AL – Showcasing the internationally-renowned JACK Quartet of New York City (<u>www.jackquartet.com</u>), ClefWorks' 2010 season, "**Do You Know JACK?**", will feature a 7:30 p.m. concert at The Capri Theatre in Old Cloverdale on January 28 that juxtaposes late Renaissance works by Girolamo Frescobaldi with cartoon-based works by American Raymond Scott (think Looney Toons) as well as works written specifically for JACK by New Yorkers Kevin Keller and Theo Bleckmann.

A second evening concert will be performed at 7:30 p.m. on January 30th at 129 Coosa in downtown Montgomery and will have an architectural theme featuring music by Iannis Xenakis (1922-2001), an architect/mathematician turned composer. This concert will also showcase the world premiere of David Crowell's "The Open Road", which was the winning score for ClefWorks' third annual composition competition selected by the JACK Quartet from more than 150 entries representing 14 countries, 32 states and the District of Columbia.

As in previous seasons, ClefWorks will once again host a free Saturday morning Children's Concert beginning at 10 a.m. January 30 at Young Meadows Presbyterian Church during which JACK will play diverse music specifically intended to introduce children to strings, the string quartet and the many types of music written for such ensembles.

Described by the *Washington Post* as having "a band-like mentality and a funky, contemporary vibe," JACK promises a fun, avant garde musical experience. Buy tickets early and get a discount – \$15 for general admission and \$10 for student/military (with valid ID) and children under 18. Tickets are available at <u>www.clefworks.org</u> or any full service Regions branch beginning Dec. 28. (After January 24, the price increases to \$20 and \$15.)

Dedicated to bringing new music to area audiences, ClefWorks is a nonprofit organization that incorporates new and traditional music with other relevant art forms while blending unique social twists affording audience and performers an opportunity to interact. ClefWorks held its Premiere Season in Montgomery during the summer of 2007, and extraordinary musicians and composers have been able to showcase their works each season since. For more information on the **Do you know JACK?** season, visit ClefWorks' website at www.clefworks.org.