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## **The Chorus of Westerly receives preservation grant Conservation consultant will help plan restoration of historic stained glass windows**

Preserve Rhode Island (PRI) is pleased to announce that the Chorus of Westerly has received a matching grant of \$1000 from the PRI/Citizens Bank Foundation mini-grant program to help offset the cost of hiring a conservation consultant to create a conditions and treatment recommendations report for the stained glass windows of the George Kent Performance Hall, built in 1886 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The mission of the Chorus of Westerly is to perform, with artistic integrity, both the major classic works of the choral literature and new and lesser-known pieces of merit; to educate children and adults of diverse backgrounds in the appreciation, understanding, and performance of great music; to grow and develop steadily as an organization important to the cultural experience of the region; and to serve the larger community through the preservation and maintenance of the George Kent Performance Hall, a treasured resource for present and future generations. For more information about The Chorus of Westerly, visit their website at [www.chorusofwesterly.org](http://www.chorusofwesterly.org).

Through the generosity of the Citizens Bank Foundation, this mini-grant program has provided nearly \$73,000 for 72 preservation projects statewide for the past nine years. PRI is the only statewide non-profit for historic preservation and is the state partner of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Learn more about Preserve Rhode Island as [www.preserveri.org](http://www.preserveri.org).

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