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New choral work is “out of this world”.

Exsultet, Cappella Caeciliana’s new commission from composer Neil Martin, has been heard hundreds of miles above the earth in the International Space Station, a week before the choir tour to premiere it in North America. Neil discovered that one of the astronauts, Cady Coleman, and himself had two strong mutual friends, and so set about emailing to space some MP3s of his music, including the *Exsultet* and *A Space for Dreaming*, written for The West Ocean String Quartet. Next week the choir and composer travel to Philadelphia and Washington DC for three performances.

Notes to editors:

1. Neil Martin is available for interview – contact on +44 7775 846663 or via info@caeciliana.org.
2. A broadcast quality recording of ‘Exsultet’ is available at www.caeciliana.org/exsultet
3. Further information about Cappella Caeciliana, and its USA tour, can be found at www.caeciliana.org. For enquiries from the USA, please contact Robert P. Connolly, (617) 548-0238