An all-Ukrainian art project “Ukraina spivaie Kobzarya” (Ukrainians chant poems from famous poetry collection written by Taras Shevchenko) is the first extensive record, consisting of more than 100 coral compositions of Shevchenko’s poems made by Ukrainian leading choirs represented in audio-edition called ‘Taras Shevchenko, Kobzar of songs’. The project is based on unique collection of choral compositions called ‘Taras Shevchenko, Kobzar of songs. Choral poetry’ that was written by P. I. Muravskyy (1914-2014), a famous Ukrainian choir conductor and teacher of the XX-XXI centuries, National Artist of Ukraine, laureate for Taras Shevchenko National Prize.

The whole the audio-edition comprises three albums, three CDs each, the first of which will consist of a capella compositions, the second album comprises instrumentals, and the third has greater compositions accompanied by Symphonic Orchestra.

The Council of Experts of the beneficent foundation ‘Petro Muravskyy choir school’ performs all the preparations for the ‘Taras Shevchenko, Kobzar of songs’ audio-record on a voluntary basis. They choose compositions and performers for the record, organize recordings and provides peer reviews. ‘Shevchenko Choral Poetry’ has been also recorded on a voluntary basis.

To finish the project, it is necessary to edit the records, to create the sountracks, to compile 9 professional-discs, to overlay 3 albums and to produce it according to its purpose. The ‘Shevchenko Choral Poetry’ audios are designated for free distribution through educational and cultural facilities. This unique audio-record will make up for the lack of classical music and will stimulate the development of musical culture within young generations and society as whole.

Thanks to the first extensive record of ‘Shevchenko Choral Poetry’, almost all chanted poems from Kobzar will be available for the masses. The sounding of the ‘Chanted Kobzar’ will force increased interest to the depths of Shevchenko’s poetry and choir as to the base of Ukrainian cultural art and its mass producing within Ukraine and world.