



Choral Mentorship Program

After a very successful inaugural year, the Choral Project is preparing for the second year of its CHORAL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM. This program offers students who meet the entrance criteria and who exhibit the ability to rehearse and perform advanced choral literature a unique opportunity to perform with The Choral Project. If you are, or know of, a student with a talent and passion for choral music, please contact our Artistic Director Daniel Hughes.

Acceptance & Awards:

The Mentorship Program is open to all enrolled high-school students (grades 9-12). A maximum of eight students (two students per part: soprano, alto, tenor, and bass) per year are admitted into the program at the sole discretion of The Choral Project Mentorship Program Committee. All applicants will be notified in writing of their admission or non-admission. Each approved applicant will receive a \$150 scholarship at a concert performance on June 6 & 7, 2009. The concert marks the culmination of the program. The students will also be recognized in the program and during the concert performance.

Term:

Students will rehearse with The Choral Project for approximately 10 weeks. This schedule starts on March 23, 2009 and culminates with concert performances on June 6 & 7, 2009 at the Montgomery Theater in downtown San Jose.

Rehearsals:

Rehearsals are held on Monday evenings, beginning at 7:00pm and ending at 10:00pm at Le Petit Trianon – 72 North Fifth Street in San Jose. The program also includes one weekend of rehearsals on April 18-19, 2009 at a South Bay location TBD. Interns will be required to attend significant portions of these rehearsal which last from 9am-6pm on Saturday and 1pm-6pm on Sunday. The exact schedule for the interns will be announced in early April.

Questions? Please contact Artistic Director Daniel Hughes at artisticdir@choralproject.org for more information about the program.

Application Process

Please complete all the following steps of the application process. Applications need to be received by January 31, 2009. Those accepted into the program will be notified by February 23, 2009.

1. Fill out the enclosed application form.
2. Include a letter of recommendation from one of your music teachers.
3. Please write a short essay on how choral music affects your life. Why is choral music important to you?
4. Submit a 3-5 minute video that demonstrates your singing. You must perform with live accompaniment (no music tracks or taped accompaniment). Your singing should demonstrate accurate pitch, healthy vocal production, and expressive phrasing and performance.
5. You must obtain the consent of your high-school music teacher/administrator, and parent(s) or guardian (see application).
6. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
7. Application materials will not be returned.

Send your application to:

The Choral Project
72 North Fifth Street, Suite 15
San Jose, CA 95112

Attn: Student Mentorship Program

Application for Choral Mentorship Program

Name: (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone: (include area code)

E-mail Address:

Birth Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)

Name of High School:

Grade Level:

9th 10th 11th 12th

Years in Choir:

Voice Part:

Soprano Alto Tenor Bass

Years of Musical Study:

Emergency Contact Information

Name:

Relationship:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

By signing this application, I am stating that all information entered is true to the best of my knowledge as of the date set forth opposite my signature. I acknowledge that this application does not guarantee acceptance into The Choral Project's Mentorship Program ("The Program"), but is an acknowledgement of my interest in participating in The Program. I understand that I must submit: 1) a one to two page essay; 2) a letter of recommendation from my music teacher; and 3) a three to five minute video of me singing with accompaniment, per the rules of The Program. I understand that any and all audition materials will become the property of The Choral Project.

Signature

Date

Parent / Guardian (for applicants under the age of 18)

Date