



ALBERTA YOUTH CHOIR

Info Sheet 2011

What is the Alberta Youth Choir?

The Alberta Youth Choir is the province's honour choir for singers ages 16-22. Under the direction of a renowned choral conductor, the choir seeks to attain the highest standard of performance. After a brief rehearsal residency, AYC 2011 will be featured in the Gala Concert of Music Conference Alberta.

When & where does AYC take place?

There are two components to AYC: the Rehearsal Weekend and the Residency. The Rehearsal Weekend is 22-23 October 2011 in Red Deer; the Residency is 3-5 November 2011, also in Red Deer.

How do I get in to AYC?

By audition. You will either receive an audition recommendation from your teacher/conductor, or you may submit an audition application yourself through the Alberta Choral Federation website. From there, you will receive an audition packet with detailed audition instructions. All auditions are by recording.

Who sings in AYC?

AYC members are between the ages of 16 and 22, and come from all over the province. All AYC choristers have a significant background in choral music, many have studied voice privately, some play other instruments, and all share a passion for singing and making fantastic music.

What does the audition entail?

The audition has four parts: simple vocal exercises (to give us a sense of your range), a prepared piece, sight reading, and the submission of a brief questionnaire which will ask you about your choral experience and music training. All audition recordings can be uploaded directly through the ACF website or mailed to the office on a CD.

What is the deadline?

The deadline to submit your Audition Application Form, or for your teacher/conductor to recommend you with the Teacher/Conductor Recommendation Form is **Monday, 16 May 2011**. You must then submit all your audition materials by **Monday, 30 May**.

Who is the conductor of AYC 2011?

AYC 2011 will be conducted by Dr. Elroy Friesen from the University of Manitoba. Dr. Friesen also conducted AYC in 2010 and everyone loved him so much we decided we had to bring him back! His bio can be found on the AYC webpage.

How much does it cost to sing in AYC?

The registration fee is \$195. That fee includes several meals and your music rental. Transportation and accommodation are the responsibility of the chorister, but we have arranged a special rate at the Super 8 Hotel in Red Deer.

QUESTIONS ABOUT AYC?

Check out the AYC webpage on the ACF website: www.albertachoralfederation.ca/ayc.asp. If you can't find what you're looking for there, contact the Alberta Choral Federation office at info@albertachoralfederation.ca or 780-488-7464.



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