

choralfest

alberta's festival for choirs 2010

INFORMATION FOR CHOIRS

1. PAYMENT

Payment can be made by cheque or credit card. If you have not yet submitted payment, please telephone our office (780-488-SING) or mail cheques to:

Alberta Choral Federation
#103, 10612-124 Street
Edmonton, AB T5N 1S4

2. BIOGRAPHY

Please provide a short (4 or 5 sentences) biographical summary to the Receptionist upon check in at the festival. This bio will be used to introduce your choir at Choralfest. **It is not longer necessary to submit your bio in advance.**

3. YOUR CHOIR

Each ensemble will have a 30-minute warm-up time, an 30-minute on-stage adjudicated performance, a 30-minute workshop, and an assigned 30-minute in-audience observation time. This ensures that performers have an attentive audience and the opportunity to observe other ensembles and workshops. Please plan to arrive approximately 15 minutes prior to your warm-up time.

4. SCHEDULE

Choralfest schedules are available on our website. Visit www.albertachoralfederation.ca/choralfest.asp.

5. VENUES

Choralfest North (Edmonton)
McDougall United Church (10025-101 Street)

Choralfest South (Calgary)
Knox United Church (506-4 Street SW)

Choralfest Jazz (Edmonton)
MacEwan Alberta College Campus (10050 MacDonald Drive)

5. OTHER INFORMATION

- Each ensemble will have 30 minutes to warm-up, 30 minutes for performance and on-stage adjudication, a 30-minute workshop, and an assigned 30-minute in-audience observation.
- Each ensemble may perform a minimum of three and a maximum of four contrasting selections.
- **THREE ORIGINAL COPIES of each piece must be provided.**
- For Choralfest Jazz the warm-up, performance and workshops spaces will all contain audio equipment. For a detailed equipment list visit our website at www.albertachoralfederat.ca/choralfest.asp. Additional keyboards may be used - set-up must be done in consultation with the on-site sound technician.
- Every facet of the performance, including accompaniment, will be considered in the evaluation. Participants will receive a verbal and written evaluation, as well as audio and video recordings of their performance – all comments are intended as a guide for the continued encouragement and development of the ensemble.

- The organs at McDougall and Knox United will not be available for the festival.
- Participating groups must be a current CHOIRS/INSTITUTIONS member of the Alberta Choral Federation.
- Sessions are open to the general public. Participants should encourage colleagues, singers and supporters to attend to hear the choirs and observe the evaluators. All ensembles are strongly encouraged to schedule additional time to hear and observe other participating groups.

6. EVALUATORS/CLINICIANS

Visit the ACF website to read the biographies of our fantastic clinicians!

Choralfest North | Bruce Pullan, Nancy Kidd, Bruce Browne

Choralfest South | Debra Cairns, Kellie Walsh, George Evelyn

Choralfest Jazz | Heather Bambrick

7. SPOTLIGHT CONCERTS

Remember to include the SPOTLIGHT CONCERTS in your choir's Choralfest itinerary. All Choralfest performers are admitted FREE OF CHARGE for Choralfest North & South. Choralfest Jazz performances will be admitted to the Sixth Wave concert for \$5.

Choralfest North SPOTLIGHT CONCERT

Friday, 5 March 2010, 7:30 p.m.

McDougall United Church (10025-101 Street), Edmonton

Choralfest South SPOTLIGHT CONCERT

Friday, 19 March 2010, 7:30 p.m.

Knox United Church (506-4 Street SW), Calgary

Choralfest Jazz SPOTLIGHT CONCERT

Monday, 1 March 2010, 7:30 p.m.

Muttart Hall, MacEwan Alberta College Campus (10050 MacDonald Drive), Edmonton