



Dr. Michael J. Anderson,
Interim President of IFCM

The joining of the 11th China International Choral Festival and the IFCM World Choral Summit will open the window of opportunity for the world to know and experience the great choral music of China. I am confident that choral leaders and choirs from around the globe will look forward with great anticipation to July 2012, when we will meet and exchange the world's cultures through choral music.



Mr. Zhang Yu,
President of China Arts and Entertainment Group

Welcome to the 11th China International Choral Festival in Beijing 2012. The China International Choral Festival will have its 20th anniversary in 2012, which is going to be a phenomenal event and our common festival together with the World Choral Summit co-held by CICF & IFCM.

Beethoven once said, "From heart, it will go to heart." Choral music has the power of harmony and communication, which are beyond the national boundaries, languages, and races. The motto of Beijing Olympic Games "One World One Dream" is also the hope of choral world.

Let's meet in Beijing, singing in harmony and friendship. We look forward to your participation to celebrate the bright future of choral music.

Preliminary Calendar

| | 15 July | 16 July |
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| 09.00—12.00 | Beijing Choral Day (Registration of choirs/chorus) | Opening of IFCM World Summit |
| 12.00—14.00 | Lunch | Lunch |
| 14.00—17.30 | | Sessions of Summit |
| 18.00—19.20 | Preparation Meeting & Dinner | Dinner |
| 19.30—21.30 | "Voices of Harmony" The 11th CICF Opening Concert | Concert |
| | 17 July | 18 July |
| 09.00—12.00 | Summit-sessions | Summit-sessions |
| 12.00—14.00 | Lunch | Lunch |
| 14.00—17.30 | Competition, Workshop | Competition, Workshop |
| 18.00—19.20 | Dinner | Dinner |
| 19.30—21.30 | Competition, Concerts | Competition, Concerts |
| | 19 July | 20 July |
| 09.00—12.00 | Summit-sessions | Meeting of Jury Committee (Visit of choirs/chorus) |
| 12.00—14.00 | Lunch | Lunch |
| 14.00—17.30 | Competition, Workshop | Meeting of IFCM & Chinese counterparts (Visit of choirs/chorus) |
| 18.00—19.20 | Dinner | Dinner |
| 19.30—21.30 | Competition, Concerts | Closing & Awarding Ceremony, IFCM Beijing Manifesto |



Voices in Harmony.



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What We Do

The World Choral Summit is a unique initiative that will bring together choral leaders from throughout the world. The Summit, a joint project under the sponsorship of IFCM, the China Chorus Association, China Entertainment and Arts Group, and China Cultural International Tours Inc, will be held simultaneously with the 11th China International Choral Festival. Five choirs, each from a different continent, as well as many choirs from throughout the world, will join with their Chinese counterparts to participate in the Summit and Festival. The focus of the Summit will be on ideas, concerns, and ways to enhance communication and cooperation within the global community, as well as the exploration of choral traditions . . . especially that of China. Appropriately, the theme will be Voices in Harmony. The host city of Beijing offers an ideal setting for choral leaders and choirs to experience the hospitality and rich cultural tradition of the Peoples Republic of China. The Summit and Festival will be events not to be missed!



For more information:

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Choral Leaders

Michael J. Anderson, Interim President IFCM—USA
Keiishi Asai, President, Japan Choral Association—Japan
Philip Brunelle, Treasurer IFCM—USA
Lawrence Cherney—Canada
André de Quadros—Indonesia/India/Middle East
Edusei Derkyi—Ghana, Africa
Young-shim Dho, Ambassador—Korea
Lorenzo Donati—Italy
Daniel Garavano, First Vice-President IFCM—Argentina
Maria Guinand—Venezuela
Stephen Leek—Australia
Ann Meier Baker—USA
Gábor Móczár, Vice-President, European Choral Association—Hungary
Alina Orraca—Cuba
Theodora Pavlovitch, Vice-President IFCM—Bulgaria
Royce Saltzman, Past President IFCM—USA
Tim Sharp, Executive Director, American Choral Directors Association—USA
Maya Shavit—Israel
Fred Sjöberg, Vice-President IFCM—Sweden
Kaie Tanner—Estonia
Jennifer Tham—Singapore
Thierry Thiebaut, President, A Cœur Joie International—France
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Håkan Wickström, Nordisk Korforum NKK—Finland
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5 World-Class Choirs

North America

Young People's Choir of New York City

Europe

Vokalna Akademia Ljubljana

Africa

Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University

South/Central America

Grupo de Canto Coral

Asia South Pacific

Gondwana Voices

