New Jork Regional National Catholic High School Choral Festival

NCEA Certificates of Attendance available for participating school conductors.

Pueri Cantores, the national student choral organization of the Catholic Church, invites all parish and school choirs in the State of New York to participate in a Festival for singers grades 9-12

Saturday, April 25, 2015

Morning Session: 9:00 am – Noon • Afternoon Session: 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

St. Malachy's – The Actors' Chapel • Times Square

239 West 49th Street, New York, NY 10019

Daniel Brondel, Guest Clinician

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> > Catholic High School Choirs from the State of New York

Why Sing?

The National Catholic High School Choral Festival offers choirs a unique opportunity to:

- *Share their faith* with other Catholic choirs from their region
- *Receive advanced training* from nationally known Catholic conductors.
- *Build repertoire and knowledge of great sacred music* of the Church.

The National Catholic High School Choral Festivals are planned on a three year cycle, culminating with a Festival Mass in the third year. Years 1 and 2 will consist of traditional choral festivals, including music to be sung during the Festival Mass in Year 3. The Festival Mass will be held in a cathedral or other major church.

- Format ~ Each choir will have 20 minutes onstage divided between performance of chosen repertoire (2-3 selections, minimum one sacred) and further preparation of one of the performed pieces with the guest clinician.
- **Combined Repertoire** ~ The combined repertoire will include one hymn and one anthem/motet, both to be included in the year 3 (2016) Festival Mass. With the mention of your AFPC affiliation, all music ordered (few exceptions), when purchased through Loser's Music at losers@lmf.net, will be discounted 25% off the original price. *As a matter of justice to composers*,

arrangers and publishers, please plan to order an adequate number of music copies and refrain from distributing photocopied scores.

- Music Scholarship ~ The William H. Hannon Scholarship Fund is available for choirs in need of financial assistance to purchase music for Festival participation. Letters should be submitted to: AFPC, 1188 N. Tustin St., Orange, CA 92861.
- Session Scheduling ~ Choirs will participate and perform in either a morning or afternoon session, with a maximum of five choirs to each session.
- Lunch ~ Singers and chaperones should plan to have lunch on their own.
- Attire ~ Options include: concert attire, school uniforms or white blouses/shirts and black pants/knee length skirts.
- Music Preparation ~ Music should be memorized or carried in a black folder. Conductors are asked to provide an accompanist. Three print copies of the music to be performed should be submitted at the time of registration.
- **Certificates** ~ Certificates of Participation will be issued to all students and member choirs. NCEA Certificates of Attendance will be issued to participating school conductors.
- **Professional Credits** ~ School conductors in all locations whose choirs participate in Pueri Cantores sponsored Festivals will be awarded Professional Development Credits by the Archdiocese of Chicago. Application forms will be available on

 States - unique to the Catholic Church.

 to order an adequate number
 the day of the event. A copy of the Festival brochure/schedule

should accompany the form upon submission for evaluation.

Plan to take part in the National Catholic High School Choral

Pestival for Catholic high school choirs throughout the United

- **Parking and Directions** ~ Parking can be found at one of many nearby parking garages. The closest parking garage is located at 790 Eighth Ave. (on the corner of 49th Street and Eighth Avenue).
- **Insurance** ~ It is imperative that conductors of traveling choirs consult and work in cooperation with insurance and child protection offices in their dioceses.
- **Contact for Questions** ~ Please call the Pueri Cantores Office at 714-633-7554 or visit pcchoirs.org for the most current information.
- FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE MUSIC FESTIVAL! During the rehearsal period, parents and friends might also wish to visit New York City attractions listed at nyc.gov.



Daniel Brondel, Conductor

DANIEL BRONDEL is the Associate Director of Music at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York, NY, where he plays Masses each week that are broadcast live on Sirius XM Satellite Radio. He is also the

Associate Director of the Cathedral Choir, and manages the organ recital series and the visiting choirs concert series. Mr. Brondel is a internationally renowned organist who served formerly as music director at St. Malachy's Church-The Actors' Chapel.

EXCITING NEW CHORAL OPPORTUNITIES!



High School Choral Festivals and Regional Elementary Festivals NEV for School and Parish Choirs

PUERI CANTORES

The Vocational Student Choral Organization

of the Catholic Church

Beginning February 2015

Expanding on the long established tradition of annual regional choral festivals, Pueri Cantores Elementary Festivals, for singers in grades four through eight, will feature a treble or mixed voice repertoire and will be held in cathedrals and other grand Catholic churches throughout the nation. The Inaugural National Catholic High School Festivals, for students grades nine through twelve, will feature a mixed voice repertoire, and will meet on Catholic college and university campuses, in cathedrals and other prominent churches in six locations throughout the United States.



Vatican Pilgrimage December 2015

Join hundreds of U.S. singers and their families as they travel to Rome and the Vatican to sing with 5,000 singers from 37 countries and celebrate Mass with His Holiness Pope Francis. Join other English speaking choirs for the Mass of Nations at the historic Basilica of St. John Lateran. This exceptionally special event is scheduled to coincide with FIPC Congresses every five years to commemorate World Peace Day.



National Conductor Seminars and Webinars Dates and locations to be announced

For directors of Catholic parish and school youth choirs, these seminars and online opportunities will provide information on recruitment, retention, technique, and other timely topics for conductors of student singers. Presenters will include nationally recognized conductors of youth choral ensembles. Professional Development Credits are available.



National High School Festival NEW! Date and location to be announced

High school choirs, grades nine through twelve, will gather from around the nation to sing at this exciting event to be held on a major Catholic university campus.



Festival of the Americas NEV Date and location to be announced

Young Catholic singers from the United States, Canada, Central and South America will join together to sing at a prominent cathedral, visit other major churches and landmarks, and make new friends from neighboring countries.



Vatican Pilgrimage December 2020

Join hundreds of U.S. singers and their families as they travel to Rome and the Vatican to sing with 5,000 singers from around the world.

Additional event locations, dates and details to be announced. Visit pcchoirs.org for more information.



NEW YORK REGIONAL NATIONAL CATHOLIC **HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL FESTIVAL** REGISTRATION

Please complete all applications on this page.

When completed, mail form and \$250 festival registration fee to: **American Federation Pueri Cantores** 1188 N. Tustin Street, Orange, CA 92867

NOTE: IMPORTANT ONE MONTH DEADLINE

THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MARCH 25, 2015 IN ORDER FOR YOUR CHOIR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FESTIVAL:

- Festival registration fee \$250 per choir 1.
- Liability/Media Release form for each of your choristers 2. downloadable on pcchoirs.org.
- 3. Three copies of music selections to be sung

Choirs missing any of these mandatory items after the two month deadline will be ineligible to participate in this festival.

Registration Deadline: March 25, 2015

AMERICAN FEDERATION

CHOIR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Included in Choir Registration fee (Please print information and return to AFPC)

NATIONAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL FESTIVAL **REGISTRATION FORM**

Choir name as it should appear in program:

Choir director name as you would like it to appear in program:

City/State:__

Singers: # Sopranos:_____ #Altos:_____ # Tenors:_____ #Basses:_____

TOTAL PARTICIPANTS (Director(s), Chaperones & Singers)

(1 Chaperone per 10 singers respectfully requested)

REPERTOIRE FOR COMBINED CHOIRS

OPENING ANTHEM:

"Cantate Domino"	
	Choral Public Domain Library

CLOSING ANTHEM:

"O How Amiable"			Vaughan	Williams
	Oxford University	Press C	atalogue	# 42.056

INDIVIDUAL CHOIR PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

Each choir will have 10 minutes to perform selected repertoire. Please list below two or three musical selections (minimum one sacred) which you feel will best showcase your choir.

Choir Name:	Music Selection:		
	Composer:		
Parish/School:	Tempo: Duration: Key: Major/Minor		
Diocese:	Music Selection:		
Singers: # Sopranos:#Altos:# Tenors:#Basses:	Composer:		
Address:	Tempo: Duration: Key: Major/Minor		
City:State:Zip:	Music Selection:		
Conductor Name:	Composer:		
Contact Telephone:	Tempo: Duration: Key: Major/Minor		
	Choirs are requested to bring their own accompanist.		
E-mail:	Please submit three copies of each of your		

□ New membership

└ Membership renewal

musical selections with this registration.