About Harmony, Incorporated

Mission Statement

Harmony, Incorporated is an international, non-profit organization whose purpose is to empower all women through education, friendship and a cappella singing in the barbershop style.

History

The barbershop style of singing originated in North America in the late 1800’s. Since then it has grown into a favorite pastime shared by more than 70,000 singers, worldwide.

Harmony, Inc. is dedicated to preserving the barbershop style of music and educating its members, women of all ages, in the art of its performance.

Founded in 1959, Harmony, Inc. currently has over 60 chapters and approximately 2,000 members. In keeping with the organization’s motto, “A Blend With Friendship,” many Harmony members develop lifelong friendships that span generations and know no geographic boundaries.

Harmony members take pride in the "one voice, one vote" concept applied to chapter and international government. Governed by an elected Board of Directors, Harmony, Inc. is divided into six geographical areas within the United States and Canada, with chapters stretching from Manitoba to Florida, and Newfoundland to California.

In the Community

Harmony, Inc. choruses and quartets share their love of singing with the community through performances and shows for all audiences. Harmony, Inc. members also perform at churches, schools, hospitals, and senior centers, plus contribute to charitable projects on a local and national basis.

Conventions and Contests

One of the advantages (and thrills!) of being a Harmony member is the opportunity to participate in musical activities on a broader scale. Conventions are held each year for the purposes of educating members, bringing everyone together to see the best perform, and to encourage an atmosphere of friendship and camaraderie.

Harmony, Inc. sponsors area chorus and quartet contests each spring. Those qualifying are eligible to compete in November at the International Convention & Contests. These are thrilling events, whether attendees are competing with a chorus or quartet, watching the contests to learn, or just visiting.

Educational Programs

Vocal training, through being a Harmony chorus member, provides a fun way to develop and improve as a singer. Training is also available for new and experienced directors, plus those interested in entering the judging program and becoming certified to judge at contests.

Area Education Days provide instruction and coaching on all facets of barbershop performing.

Area and International Conventions offer a broader range of disciplines, including singing, presentation, arranging, and chapter administration.

Jacquelyn Klooster Minor Chords Scholarship, an annual award of $500 CAD, is available to assist a young member in attending international convention and singing in the Minor Chords, Harmony, Inc.’s youth chorus.

Judith Waite Memorial Scholarship, an annual award of $1,000, is available to a member of Harmony, Inc. or to a member of her family who is pursuing a degree in a music-related field.

Membership Programs & Resources

Associate Memberships are available for those who, for whatever reasons, are unable to participate actively in a chapter. Full membership rights and privileges are included.

Affiliate Memberships are available to men who wish to be affiliated with Harmony, Inc. Privileges include most benefits of regular membership, with the exception of the rights to vote, hold office and compete as a singer.

Harmony Connection, an electronic bulletin board, enables Harmony, Inc. members to keep abreast of the news and stay in touch with one another.

The Key-Note, the official publication of Harmony, Inc., is downloadable for all members to enjoy.

Audio Recordings (MP3 format), from shows and contests at international conventions are available for education and entertainment. These provide wonderful learning, listening and a way to bring a little “Harmony” home to friends and family.

For the Love of Harmony program enables members to donate funds to Harmony, Inc. for general use or to be targeted toward its educational programs.

Contact us: www.harmonyinc.org or 1-855-750-3341
Harmony, Inc. Area Map

AREA 1:
Cobequid Fun-Tones
Codiac Chords
Elm City Echoes, Inc.
Island A Cappella
Newfound Sound
ScotianAires
Sea Belles
Valley Voices

AREA 2:
Barre-Tones, Inc.
Capital Chordettes, Inc.
Champlain Echoes, Inc.
Harmony Heritage
Maine-ly Harmony
Montreal City Voices
New England Voices in Harmony
NoteAble Blend
Silk’n Sounds
Sounds of the Seacoast
Surround Sound
Women of Note

AREA 3:
Bella Nova
Crystal Chords
Harmony Falls
Harmony In Motion
Heart of Pennsylvania
Liberty Belles (The)
Niagara Frontier Chord Authority
Northern Blend
Reading A Cappella Voices
Rochester Rhapsody Chapter

AREA 4:
Bluegrass Harmony
California Note Catchers
Covered Bridge Harmony
Harmony Magic
Misty River Music Makers, Inc.
Sound Celebration, Inc.
St. Louis Chordinals, Inc.
Village Vocal Chords
Wolf River Harmony

AREA 5:
A Cappella Showcase
Baytones (The)
Chapman Mills Sound Connection
Chord Spinners, Inc.
Classic Blend
Jewels of Harmony
Nickel City Sound
Over Tones, Inc. (The)
Shades of Harmony
Sing Niagara
Skyway Connection Chorus
Sugartones
Thousand Islanders (The)
Toronto Accolades, Inc.

AREA 6:
Atlanta Harmony Celebration!
Georgia Connection
Harmony Sound Waves
Sisters of Sound

EXPANSION AREA:
On Q Chorus
Women in Harmony

☆ - Indicates Effective April, 2017

Contact us: www.harmonyinc.org or 1-855-750-3341