

We Did It!

Nine Harmony directors attended Harmony University last week courtesy of the hundreds of donors to the Directors First initiative in the U.S. and Sing Canada Harmony. They were immersed in a week-long learning experience where they expanded their knowledge and raised their skills to new heights, to better serve their home chapters.

“Harmony University is AMAZING!” exclaimed Bluegrass Harmony Director Pam Ringo in a Facebook post. “My favorite two classes so far, were my last of the day yesterday with Larry Dodge, which was Melding Techniques for Directors (SO much GREAT stuff) and my lunchtime elective with the wonderfully awesome [Kim Wonders](#), where I learned SO much I can take back and immediately share with my Bluegrass Harmony girls next week! WOW! What a blessing from Harmony, Incorporated for giving me this opportunity!”

Harmony, Inc. members have long known that the strength of our organization rests in the hands of our musical directors. Strong directors contribute to strong chapters, which are the basis for strong Areas and a strong international organization.

We are off and running.

Now we need to build momentum for Class Two.

You know how there’s never been a Harmony, Inc. initiative so singularly focused on supporting our directors and musical leaders, right? The time to embrace the power of Directors First is right now!

[Watch the video.](#) [Learn about the program.](#) [Organize your donation.](#)

Get your whole chapter in on the campaign and make a group donation to Directors First! We’ll be happy to recognize your effort on social media and in the next issue of the E-Note. And you never know what sort of recognition will be in store if you're the chapter with the greatest degree of support for Directors First.

Watch Harmony, Inc. grow and flourish. It all seems pretty simple when we put our directors first, doesn't it?

**Stronger directors = stronger chapters = stronger Areas = stronger
Harmony, Inc.**



DIRECTORS FIRST CLASS ONE – (clockwise from back left) Bonnie-Sue Bonell-Dowdall, Baytones Harmony; Susanna Kember, ScotianAires; Sara Stone, Covered Bridge Harmony; Wendy Arnold, Toronto Accolades; Christina Tramack (inset), New England Voices in Harmony; Janice Westphal, Sound Celebration; Randy Parish-Bell, California Note Catchers; Pam Ringo, Bluegrass Harmony; Nancy Oliver, Harmony Falls are the leading edge of Harmony, Inc.'s five-year initiative to send a musical leader from each Harmony chapter to Harmony University on scholarship.