

Chandler School of Fine Arts Youth Choirs

Description

Grades 4–9

Dave & Becky Stertzbach, Directors

Tuesdays, 3:30 – 4:30

This program is designed for singers in grades 4–9 (or until the boys “voice out”) who need a musical experience that is a step beyond the basic music education of a school choir. The choirs perform several times throughout the school year in the community. (See calendar below.) Each choir member will participate in a one-hour weekly rehearsal that includes theory & musicianship lessons, instruction in singing technique, and song practice.

Benefits of the CFA Youth Choirs:

- Qualified, experienced directors;
- Professional pianists;
- Quality youth choir music that is interesting to sing, pedagogically sound, and will be enjoyed by audiences;
- 15 weekly choir lessons in singing, reading music, and performance training;
- CFA Concert;
- 2-3 mini-performances;
- Practice CD’s of the choir songs;
- Choir shirts;

Cost & Registration

Tuition: \$140 per semester payable at the time of registration.

Annual Registration fee: \$25. (For students already taking private lessons through CFA, this fee may be waived.)

Auditions

Auditions for new students (required) will be by appointment at Chandler School of Fine Arts. Please call 480-245-7922 to set up a 10-minute audition. Students should plan on singing a simple song that they are very familiar with: “My Country, ‘Tis of Thee” or “Amazing Grace”—even “Happy Birthday” will be fine.

Parent Meeting

A parent/student meeting will be held Monday, August 22 at 7:00 pm. There will be a repeat of that same meeting during the first rehearsal Tuesday, August 33, 2011. Parents should plan to attend one of these meetings.

Closed Rehearsals

CFA Choir Rehearsals are closed, which means that it would be best for families not to sit in on rehearsals. See the calendar below for special “Open Rehearsals” in which parents and family are welcome to sit in the back of the room and observe.

Practice CD’s

There will not be sufficient time in rehearsals to “drill music.” Singers will want to listen to their practice CD’s. There will be incentives for singers who meet the practice goals for the week.

Calendar:

8/15 – 8/19 Audition Week

8/22 Parent Meeting

8/23 First rehearsal & Parent Meeting

8/30

9/6

9/13

9/20 Open Rehearsal

9/27

10/4

10/11 No Choir this week

10/18 Open Rehearsal

Performance 10/27 or 28 - CFA Formal Recital

11/1

11/8

Performance 11/18 – TCA School Concert

11/22 No Choir this week

Performance 12/3 - City of Chandler

Tumbleweed Tree Lighting

12/6 Choir Party

12/7 – 1/9/12 Christmas Break

1/10/12 Spring Semester Begins