



**American Choral Directors Association
Southern Division Convention
Memphis, Tennessee
March 10-13, 2010**

**Children's Honor Choir
Sandra Snow, Conductor
(Ages 9–15)**

**High School Women's Honor Choir
Sigrid Johnson, Conductor
(Grades 10–12)**

**SATB Junior High Honor Choir
Paul Caldwell, Conductor
(Grades 7–9)**

**High School Men's Honor Choir
Jonathan Reed, Conductor
(Grades 10-12)**

HONOR CHOIR INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

As an ACDA member, we hope that you and your students will want to be a part of this musical experience. Please read carefully the information listed below and on the audition forms as you prepare to submit your tapes.

Failure to complete all information and follow directions EXPLICITLY will result in disqualification.

Eligibility

Any singer in public and private school music programs, community children's choirs, or church choirs in the Southern Division is eligible to submit a taped audition. A sponsoring director must prepare each singer's audition and this director must be an active or retired member of ACDA. ACDA membership numbers must be included on the audition form. These numbers will be verified for current membership status.

Financial Obligation

Each singer **auditioning** will be financially responsible for the following:

- Audition CD
- Package and postage to mail audition tape
- \$25 non-refundable audition fee

Each singer **accepted** will be financially responsible for the following:

- Transportation to and from the event in Memphis, TN
- Lodging
- Non-refundable Registration Fee (specifics on web site) \$175.00
- Meals

Guidelines for Audition CD's

1. Applicants must send in their own recording with their application forms and fee.
2. Use the best recording equipment you have available. CD recordings are preferred. **Cassette tapes will also be accepted.**
3. Clearly mark the applicant's name on the CD or tape. On the recording container, mark the applicant's name, grade, school, city and state, preferred part, and title of the prepared piece.
4. Do NOT give the name of the student or any other spoken information on the recording.
5. Record the items on the CD/tape in the order listed on the next page.
6. LISTEN to the recording before you send it.
7. Rewind the tape before it is sent. CDs and tapes will not be returned.

Audition/Notification Process Timeline (Deadlines are firm)

- Audition material postmark deadline October 1, 2009
- Notification of all singers November 2, 2009
- Acceptance postmark deadline December 1, 2009
- Music packets mailed on or before December 15, 2009

AUDITION PROCESS FOR ALL 2010 SOUTHERN DIVISION ACDA HONOR CHOIRS

1. Vocalization: Sing two unaccompanied major scales on the syllable "Loo." One, from the middle of your range to your lowest accurate note, and the other, from the middle of your range to your highest accurate note.
2. My Country 'tis of Thee (America): Starting on the pitches listed below, sing the first verse unaccompanied. Accompanied singers will be disqualified.

Sop I: A above middle C

Alto: E above middle C

Sop II: G above middle C

Tenor: A below middle C

Baritone/Bass: D below middle C

3. Prepared Selection: One to two minutes of an Aria, Art Song, Folk Song, Sea Chantey, etc. with or without accompaniment, suitable for competition or festival. Limit the piano introduction to a few measures. Pop, Gospel, Broadway Show Tunes, or Contemporary Christian pieces are not appropriate and may result in disqualification. Do **NOT** use taped accompaniment tracks.

Postmark and Address for Each Honor Choir:

Postmark Deadline: October 1, 2009

Children's Honor Choir
Eric Johnson, Chair
Holmes Middle School
211 North Pierce St
Eden NC 27288
egjohnson@traid.rr.com

SATB Junior High Honor Choir
Robert Paugh, Chair
3412 Cool Springs Court
Bowling Green, KY 42104
robert.paugh@warren.kyschools.us

High School Women's Honor Choir
Joelle Norris, Chair
220 Mckie Street
Senatobia, MS 38668
joelle.norris@desotocountyschools.org

High School Men's Honor Choir Chair
Vincent Oakes
The Baylor School
171 Baylor School Road
Chattanooga, TN 37405
voakes@cbchoir.org

Special Note

As the teacher of the participant, if you wish a list of the accepted students, their teachers and state, please visit the Southern Division ACDA website. A list of Honor Choir students will not be mailed to the individual teachers. Only the students and parents will receive a complete list.

Web Address: www.acdaonline.org/Southern

Please note the ages and grades specified for each Honor Choir. Students should audition for one choir only. Each of the conductors are outstanding and will provide a very enjoyable musical experience.

Please feel free to contact any of the chairs if you have any questions. E-mails have been provided above. On behalf of the Southern Division ACDA, we look forward to hearing your talented singers.



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Send this form, statement of commitment form, a \$25.00 non-refundable application fee (checks payable to Southern Division ACDA) and tapes **postmarked by October 1, 2009** to:

**Eric Johnson, Southern Division ACDA Children's Honor Choir Chair
240 Laura Road, Madison, NC 27025
egjohnson@triad.rr.com**

SINGER INFORMATION

Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____ Grade _____ Gender _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Home Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Singer T-Shirt Size (Adult Sizes) (Please Circle) : XS S M L XL XXL Height _____

Are you auditioning for another 2010 ACDA Southern Division Honor Choir? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, which choir _____

VOCAL PART: Circle appropriate voice part: Soprano I Soprano II Alto

Vocal Range: Please denote the range of the student in the space below:

Lowest Singable Note: _____ Highest Singable Note: _____

SPONSOR INFORMATION

Name _____ ACDA Membership # _____

Email Address _____ Membership Expiration Date _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Home Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Name of Sponsoring Organization _____

Sponsoring Organization Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____ Choir Director _____ Voice Teacher _____ Other: _____



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Junior High SATB Honor Choir Audition Form
Paul Caldwell, Conductor
(Grades 7-9)

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Send this form, statement of commitment form, a \$25.00 non-refundable application fee (checks payable to Southern Division ACDA) and CD's postmarked by October 1, 2009 to:

Robert Paugh, Southern Division ACDA Junior High SATB Honor Choir Chair
3412 Cool Springs Court, Bowling Green, KY 42104
robert.paugh@warren.kyschools.us

SINGER INFORMATION

Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____ Grade _____ Gender _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Home Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Singer T-Shirt Size (Adult Sizes) (Please Circle): XS S M L XL XXL Height _____

Are you auditioning for another 2010 ACDA Southern Division Honor Choir? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, which choir _____

VOCAL PART: Circle appropriate voice part: Soprano Alto Tenor Bass

Vocal Range: Please denote the range of the student in the space below:

Lowest Singable Note: _____ Highest Singable Note: _____

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Email Address _____ Membership Expiration Date _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

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Relationship to Applicant: _____ Choir Director _____ Voice Teacher _____ Other: _____



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Send this form, statement of commitment form, a \$25.00 non-refundable application fee (checks payable to Southern Division ACDA) and tapes **postmarked by October 1, 2009** to:

**Joelle Norris, Southern Division ACDA High School Women's Honor Choir Chair
220 Mckie Street, Senatobia, MS 38668
joelle.norris@desotocountyschools.org**

SINGER INFORMATION

Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Home Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Singer T-Shirt Size (Adult Sizes) (Please Circle): XS S M L XL XXL Height _____

Are you auditioning for another 2010 ACDA Southern Division Honor Choir? ____ Yes ____ No

If yes, which choir _____

VOCAL PART: Circle appropriate voice part: Soprano I Soprano II Alto I Alto II

Vocal Range: Please denote the range of the student in the space below:

Lowest Singable Note: _____ Highest Singable Note: _____

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Email Address _____ Membership Expiration Date _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

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Relationship to Applicant: ____ Choir Director ____ Voice Teacher ____ Other: _____



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Send this form, statement of commitment form, a \$25.00 non refundable application fee (checks payable to Southern Division ACDA) and tapes **postmarked by October 1, 2009** to:

**Vincent Oakes, Southern Division ACDA High School Men's Honor Choir Chair
The Baylor School, 171 Baylor School Road, Chattanooga, TN 37405
voakes@cbchoir.org**

SINGER INFORMATION

Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Home Phone _____

E-mail address _____

Singer T-Shirt Size (Adult Sizes) (Please Circle): S M L XL XXL Height _____

Are you auditioning for another 2010 ACDA Southern Division Honor Choir? ____ Yes ____ No

If yes, which choir _____

VOCAL PART: Circle appropriate voice part: Tenor I Tenor II Bass I Bass II

Vocal Range: Please denote the range of the student in the space below:

Lowest Singable Note: _____ Highest Singable Note: _____

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STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

We have read the entire guidelines and application information and fully understand that the selection for the Southern Division ACDA Honor Choir begins with a significant musical and financial obligation. We understand and accept a registration fee, which will be posted on the website, along with other detailed information. The fee DOES NOT include hotel, meals, or transportation. We further understand that the applicant will be lodging in the convention assigned hotel with other students who will be participating in the Honor Choir. Applicants must be currently enrolled in and in excellent standing with the sponsoring organization (school, church, community choir, voice studio, etc.) during the application and participation portion of the event. We understand that the applicant, once selected, must arrive for registration at the designated time and remain under supervision of the Southern Division ACDA staff until the culmination of the closing concert. If any portion of the rehearsal is missed for any reason, the applicant/participant will be removed from the Honor Choir and returned to the parent at the expense of the parent. The participant is committed to having the music fully prepared prior to the first rehearsal according to the instructions as provided by the clinician and the Southern Division staff. Chaperones MUST be provided by the sponsoring organization at a ratio of one chaperone per every three singers selected. There must be an adult chaperone in every student room. Chaperones will attend and lodge in the convention hotel, but are not required to pay convention registration fees. Choral Directors attending the convention MAY not be used as chaperones. Further information will be forthcoming upon acceptance.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

CHARACTER/MUSICIANSHIP RECOMMENDATION

The applicant, _____, has demonstrated the exemplary character, behavior, and musicianship skills necessary for my endorsement. I confirm that this applicant will represent their family, our community, our choral group, and myself in an outstanding manner.

Sponsor Signature: _____

Principal/Administrator Signature: _____

PARENTAL COMMITMENT

Registration and rehearsal will begin in Memphis, TN, on Wednesday afternoon, March 10, and the final concert will be held Saturday, March 13. I understand that if my child is accepted into the 2010 Southern Division ACDA Honor Choir a time, financial, and musical commitment will follow, and I will support my child in this endeavor.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Postmark Deadline: October 1, 2009

Don't forget: audition tape, audition form, commitment form, and \$25 non refundable application fee payable to: Southern Division ACDA. Money Orders are also accepted.