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### WORLD CHORAL COMPOSERS, DON'T MISS THE APPLICATION DEADLINE of the THIRD IFCM INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION FOR CHORAL COMPOSITION

The Competition is dedicated to choral compositions a cappella (SATB or divided into as many as eight parts, SSAATTBB) with a maximum duration of 5 minutes, specifically for medium to advanced youth choirs. The entry fee is only US\$25.00!

- First Prize: 5,000 USD, IFCM Awards Certificate and plaque
- Second Prize: 2,500 USD, IFCM Awards Certificate and plaque
- Third Prize: 1,000 USD, IFCM Awards Certificate and plaque

Entries must arrive by the entry form no later than **1st December 2017**.

Download the application form on <https://goo.gl/fyfHpe>

Contact: Andrea Angelini, [aangelini@ifcm.net](mailto:aangelini@ifcm.net)

### 2017 WORLD CHORAL DAY, 10 DECEMBER 2017

Initiated in 1990 by composer and conductor Alberto Grau, the World Choral Day is celebrated by millions of singers all around the world. Join them to celebrate it on or around December 10 and sing for humanity, peace, freedom, equality, solidarity, understanding and **Integration**.

Download the Proclamation: <http://www.worldchoralday.org/pdf/Proclamation.pdf>

Download the WCD logo: [here](#)

Register on: <http://www.worldchoralday.org/events/subscription>

Contact: [project.manager@worldchoralday.org](mailto:project.manager@worldchoralday.org)



Carmina Slovenica, cond. Karmina Šilec — concert Winter Hours, 10 Dec 2016

## 12th WORLD SYMPOSIUM ON CHORAL MUSIC (WSCM2020)

### *Kia ora koutou*

### **Greetings from Aotearoa New Zealand**

We have just passed 1000 Days to Go until the WSCM2020 opens in Auckland! Plenty of time for you to plan the trip you've been dreaming of for ages, to beautiful Aotearoa New Zealand. Now is the time to head to our website at [wscm2020.com](http://wscm2020.com) and sign up for further information. You will also go in the draw for one of three amazing side-trips from Auckland – to Hobbiton, or to Rotorua or to Waiheke Island (pictured).

We will be updating the site regularly, and you can also stay in contact with us through the Facebook page – [click here for that link](#). Please share with your colleagues and choral friends, spread the word and keep in touch with us! We'd love to hear from you. Remember – if you and your friends have been looking for a reason to visit New Zealand here's the perfect opportunity!

*Nga mihi mahana*



## WORLD YOUTH CHOIR SESSION 2018 – INNER MONGOLIA, CHINA

We are happy to announce that the World Youth Choir session 2018 will take place in **Inner Mongolia, China**.

The session, supported by the Inner Mongolia Bureau of National Art Troupes, will take place between the 4th and 25th of July, with a rehearsal session in Hohhot, and a concert tour in Inner Mongolia, Beijing, and Guizhou province. The tour will end with the choir singing at the opening ceremony of China's 14th International Chorus Festival in Beijing.

The World Youth Choir is a project for talented young singers, between 17 and 26 of age, from around the world. Are you interested in joining the project? Or would you like to be a recruiter?

Audition material and further information will be published and sent out to recruiters at the end of October. For more information about the choir, as well as pictures from the 2017 session, see [www.worldyouthchoir.org](http://www.worldyouthchoir.org)

## INTERNATIONAL CHINA CHORUS FESTIVAL AND IFCM WORLD CHORAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE

The 14th China International Chorus Festival and IFCM World Choral Education Conference will be held in Beijing from 19 July to 25 July 2018.

More information:

<http://en.cicfbj.cn/> English

<http://www.cicfbj.cn/> Chinese

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## NEWS FROM IFCM FOUNDING MEMBERS

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### EUROPEAN CHORAL ASSOCIATION - EUROPA CANTAT (ECA-EC)

**REMINDER: 27 July - 5 August - EUROPA CANTAT XX in Tallinn, apply before 31 December 2017!**

In October over 100 participants gathered in Tallinn, Estonia, for the **2017 General Assembly and "Sing Outside the Box" conference**, an intense week-end of exchanges, discoveries, networking and fun! Now we are looking ahead to the next major events of the following years:

- 15-18 November 2018 > Second **"Sing Outside the Box" conference** in Cappadocia, Turkey
- 2020 > **EUROPA CANTAT junior in Vilnius**, Lithuania
- 2021 > **EUROPA CANTAT Festival XXI in Ljubljana**, Slovenia
- Check **our website** to find out the latest news!







## **AMERICAN CHORAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION – ACDA**

### **ACDA Boychoir Biennial Symposium**

**November 17-18, 2017**

Aronoff Center for the Arts, Cincinnati, Ohio USA

This is a two-day retreat & symposium for those who teach boys to sing. The event will feature masterclasses and sessions on topics ranging from the male changing voice to best administrative practices. Registration: \$50. Registration & additional information:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/boychoir-biennial-symposium-2017-tickets-36161576248>

### **Children & Community Youth Choir Conductors' Retreat**

**January 13-14, 2018**

**Houston, Texas USA**

This event is tailored for those who conduct children and youth choirs in schools, the community, or places of worship, and will include presentations, reading sessions, and a concert. Registration & additional information:

[https://acda.org/ACDA/Conference/Boychoir\\_Biennial\\_Symposium.aspx](https://acda.org/ACDA/Conference/Boychoir_Biennial_Symposium.aspx)

**American Choral Directors Association** is now gearing up for our **2018 regional conferences**, which will take place across the country in February and March of the coming year. Performing choir auditions and interest session applications are active for many of those events now. • Feb. 14-15, 2018 - Central & North Central Region (Chicago, Illinois) • Feb. 21-24, 2018 - Southern Region (Louisville, Kentucky) • Mar. 7-11, 2018 - Eastern Region (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania) • Mar. 7-11, 2018 - Southwestern Region (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma) • Mar. 7-10, 2018 - Northwestern Region (Portland, Oregon) • Mar. 14-17, 2018 - Western Region (Pasadena, California) More [HERE](#)

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## **NEWS FROM IFCM MEMBERS**

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### **NEWS FROM CHORAL CANADA**

You are invited!!! Join us for PODIUM on the EDGE: Singing from Sea to Sea to Sea, Canada's biennial choral conference & festival taking place June 29 - July 3 2018 in St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador.

More info on: <http://www.podiumconference.ca>

Contact: [podium@choralcanada.org](mailto:podium@choralcanada.org)

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<https://www.facebook.com/PodiumConference/>

<https://www.instagram.com/podiumconference/>

<https://twitter.com/choralcanada?lang=en>

### **AMERICA CANTAT 9**

**Panama, 12-21 April 2019**

A 10 day program with singers, directors and choirs from all over the world for the 1st time on the shores of the Pacific Ocean in the beautiful city of Panama, 2019 Ibero American Cultural Capital of the World in celebration of its 500 year foundation anniversary.

More info at [info@america-cantat9.org](mailto:info@america-cantat9.org)

## CHOIR CONNECTION

The **Chœur la Grâce from DR Congo** is looking for concert places and partnerships with choirs in Germany, the Netherlands, Switzerland, or neighbouring countries for their tour in May 2018. They can offer five different programs: Congolese or African traditional and folk songs, Humanités des Humains (French), Negro Spirituals from Congo, Zaburi (new creation). Please contact Ambroise Kua-Nzambi Toko at [kuanzambi@yahoo.fr](mailto:kuanzambi@yahoo.fr)

### ZABURI, African Contemporary Music

Zaburi is a new creation by Ambroise Kua-Nzambi Toko, renowned Congolese composer and conductor. It's written in Swahili language for SATB choirs and published by the African Academy of Chorale Music (AAMC).

Contact by email: [kuanzambi@yahoo.fr](mailto:kuanzambi@yahoo.fr) or phone: +243-9999 58 469

## ADVERTISE YOUR CHORAL EVENT TO THE WORLD on the ICB, the IFCMeNEWS and on our websites

Advertisement spaces are now available on <http://ifcm.net/> and <http://icb.ifcm.net/> as well as in the quarterly ICB and eICB. Rates and dimensions are on the [Reserve A Space form](#)

Take advantage of the excellent usage statistics of our websites and media to promote your choral events!

## WANT TO PROMOTE CHORAL EDUCATION WITH IFCM?

And publish this postcard in your choral association's newsletter or in your magazine or on your Facebook? Ask for the original in PDF or JPG at [office@ifcm.net](mailto:office@ifcm.net)



**THINK FORWARD!**

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## WHAT'S ON IN OUR CHORAL WORLD IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2017

- 30 Oct-4 Nov : Musica International Session, Strasbourg, France - [www.MusicaNet.org](http://www.MusicaNet.org)
- 1-6 Nov : International Choral Festival of Malta 2017, Italy - [www.festivalinternazionale.com](http://www.festivalinternazionale.com)
- 1-5 Nov : International Choir Competition of Tolosa, Spain - [www.cittolosa.com](http://www.cittolosa.com)
- 1-5 Nov : Spanish Retreat directed by Peter North, Spain - [www.runbysingers.org](http://www.runbysingers.org)
- 2-5 Nov : Cantate Dresden, Germany - [www.musicandfriends.com/html/cantate\\_dresden.html](http://www.musicandfriends.com/html/cantate_dresden.html)
- 3-6 Nov : International Budgetary Festival/Competition The Place of Holiday, Spain - [www.fiestalonia.net](http://www.fiestalonia.net)
- 4-10 Nov : 16th International Festival Pro Musica e Arte Sacra, Rome and Vatican, Italy - [www.festivalmusicaeartesacra.net](http://www.festivalmusicaeartesacra.net)
- 8-12 Nov : Les Choeurs à l'Unisson International Choral Festival, Dakar, Senegal. Contact : [lukymendy@gmail.com](mailto:lukymendy@gmail.com)
- 9-12 Nov : ON STAGE with Interkultur in Prague, Czech Republic - <http://onstage.interkultur.com/>
- 10-11 Nov : Ambassadors of Song, an International Male Chorus Symposium, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA - <http://bicentennial.ummgc.org/>
- 13-19 Nov : International Choir Festival Corearte Brazil 2017, Caxias do Sul, Brazil - [www.corearte.es](http://www.corearte.es)
- 17-19 Nov : Sligo International Choral Festival , Ireland - [www.sligochoralfest.com/](http://www.sligochoralfest.com/)
- 23-27 Nov, 30 Nov-4 Dec, 7-11, 14-18 Dec : Vienna Advent Sing, Austria - [www.music-contact.com](http://www.music-contact.com)
- 30 Nov-4 Dec : Advent in Weimar directed by Colin Durrant, Germany - [www.runbysingers.org](http://www.runbysingers.org)
- 1-2 Dec : 27th International Festival of Advent and Christmas Music with Petr Eben Prize, Prague, Czech Republic - [www.or-fea.cz](http://www.or-fea.cz)
- 1-3 Dec : 3rd Warsaw Advent and Christmas Choir Festival, Poland - <http://warsaw.christmasfestival.pl/>
- 2-6 Dec : International Festival Chorus Inside Advent, Rome, Italy - [www.chorusinside.com](http://www.chorusinside.com)
- 3-6 Dec : International Festival of Advent and Christmas Music, Bratislava, Slovak Republic - [www.choral-music.sk](http://www.choral-music.sk)
- 3-6 Dec : International Festival/Contest Gran Fiesta, Spain - [www.fiestalonia.net](http://www.fiestalonia.net)
- 3-6 Dec : Vocal Competition Voices of Costa Brava, Lloret de Mar, Spain - [www.fiestalonia.net](http://www.fiestalonia.net)
- 5-8 Dec : International Festival/Competition Talents de Paris, France - [www.fiestalonia.net](http://www.fiestalonia.net)
- 8-10 Dec : 8th Krakow Advent and Christmas Choir Festival, Poland - <http://krakow.christmasfestival.pl/>
- 10 Dec : World Choral Day 2017, around the world - <http://ifcm.net/>
- 14-17 Dec : 25th International Sacred, Advent & Christmas Music Festival and Choir Competition Cantate Domino Kaunas, Lithuania - [www.kaunascantat.lt](http://www.kaunascantat.lt)
- 14-18 Dec : International Festival Chorus Inside Advent, Budapest, Hungary - [www.chorusinside.com](http://www.chorusinside.com)
- 26 Dec 2017-2 Jan 2018 : Join Simon Carrington to sing in Barcelona in 2017/2018, Barcelona, Spain - [www.Klconcerts.com](http://www.Klconcerts.com)
- 28 Dec 2017-2 Jan 2018 : Ambleside Winter School, United Kingdom - [www.lacock.org](http://www.lacock.org)

