



THE 2013 IFCM GENERAL ASSEMBLY

A reminder to all IFCM-members about the next meeting of the general assembly:

The meeting will take place in connection to the American Choral Directors Association National Conference on March 12, 2013 in Dallas, Texas, USA. Along with the General Assembly, the IFCM Board will meet on March 11 and 13, and IFCM Executive Committee will meet on March 10.

[Full invitation by the President of the IFCM, Michael Anderson, and the Agenda at www.ifcm.net]

WORLD CHORAL DAY 2012

Thousands of choirs have joined in the celebration of World Choral Day on or around the 2nd Sunday in December in the past twenty years. Millions of singers across the globe have been involved in World Choral Day concerts, festivals, sing-alongs, choral seminars, Days of Friendship and other events. See www.worldchoralday.org for the latest update.

NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN CHORAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION

The American Choral Directors Association will hold its National Conference in Dallas, Texas, March 13-16, 2013. Over 200 separate events will highlight the event; including concerts, interest sessions, reading sessions, a special concert at the John F. Kennedy Memorial featuring choirs from all four branches of the United States Military, industry showcase presentations, and numerous social events.

Attendees can look forward to 92 concert performances, 47 reading sessions, 66 interest sessions, 200 industry exhibitors, 56 performing choirs including international performances by choirs from China, England, Finland, Germany, and the Philippines.

Special Educational Opportunities include the 50th Anniversary Event at JFK Memorial, a Film Festival, Conducting Competition, Honor Choir Rehearsals, Music in Worship Immersion Day, Performing Choir Masterclasses, Poster Sessions, R&S Resource Area, Roundtable Discussions, and Yoga for Conductors.

Further information at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aq1egmq5gqE>

NEWS FROM THE EUROPEAN CHORAL ASSOCIATION

In 2013 Europa Cantat is celebrating!

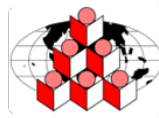
For the European Choral Association - Europa Cantat, 2013 is an anniversary year. After having celebrated the 50th anniversary of the informal foundation (in Geneva in 1960, preceding the first festival in Passau in 1961), ECA-EC is now looking forward to celebrating the 50th anniversary of the foundation of the legal association "European Federation of Young Choirs / Europäische Föderation Junger Chöre e.V. / Fédération Européenne des Jeunes Chorales" (later Europa Cantat and now, after the merger with AGECE, the European Choral Association - Europa Cantat) which was founded in Bonn on February 10th/11th 1963 in the presence of Mr. Bruno Heck who was then Youth Minister in Germany. The anniversary will be celebrated on February 14th at the occasion of the first meeting of the new ECA-EC Board and in the presence of most of the former Presidents of Europa Cantat and AGECE. Also some of their 2013 activities will be put in the frame of the anniversary celebration.

APYC GOES TO DALLAS

The third session of the Asia Pacific Youth Choir will be held in Dallas, in conjunction with the IFCM General Assembly and the ACDA National Convention. The 32-member choir will be led by four esteemed conductors of the Asia Pacific region – Ms Saeko Hasegawa (Japan), Jonathan Velasco (Philippines), Prof Wu Lingfen (China) and Prof Hakwon Yoon (Korea) – and will perform at the newly-opened Winspear Opera House on 12 March. It is hoped the funds raised from this event will go towards future IFCM Youth Projects, including future sessions of the APYC.

CHINESE CONDUCTORS WILL BE IN DALLAS

A delegation of around 20 people, personally led by the Chairman of the China Chorus Association, Tian Yu Ping, will participate in the ACDA Convention in Dallas. This is the first time for a CCA delegation to officially participate in international choral activities.



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WHAT'S ON IN OUR CHORAL WORLD

8-10 : 2nd International Gdansk Choir Festival, Poland - www.gdanskfestival.pl

14 : 7th Amadeus Contest of Choral Composition, Puebla de la Calzada, Spain - www.coroamadeus.es

18 : 11th Vancouver Chamber Choir Young Composers' Competition, Vancouver, Canada -

www.vancouverchamberchoir.com

21 : Ínin 2013 on the Path of Peoples, Your Voice for One Earth Choir, Global project, Seven Continents -

www.inin2012.net

21-25 : Happy Birthday Händel, Halle (Saale), Germany - www.happy-birthday-handel.de

21-24 : 3rd International Choral Music Festival Kaunas Musica Religioza, Kaunas, Lithuania - www.kaunascantat.lt

28 : Christmas Choral Composition Competition, Berlin, Germany - www.chor.com

