

Bach Festival Society OF WINTER PARK

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Join the internationally renowned Bach Festival Choir

Winter Park, FL The Bach Festival Society of Winter Park is holding **auditions for potential new adult Choir members on Monday, May 18 and Monday, August 10**. Candidates will be asked to sing scales, match pitch, and do a sight-reading exercise. In addition, choir hopefuls must prepare one song that is classical in nature—it can be a hymn—and bring an extra copy of the music for the accompanist. The Bach Festival Society's Artistic Director and Conductor, Dr. John V. Sinclair, will hear all auditions.

The Bach Festival Society of Winter Park produces the area's finest classical music, featuring the Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra under the dynamic direction of John V. Sinclair. The Bach Choir is composed of over 150 committed volunteers who share a passion for outstanding music. Rehearsals are held on the Rollins College campus Monday evenings, with additional rehearsals as needed in preparation for upcoming concerts.

The Choir performs a variety of music throughout the season and receives invitations to partner with other orchestras and community organizations. In May 2009 it performed to great acclaim with the London Symphony Orchestra during the orchestra's residency at the Daytona Beach International Festival. Gareth Davies, principal flute for the LSO, said of the performance on his

blog: *"The stage was groaning with the weight of the orchestra, soloists and surely one of the best choirs I have heard, the Bach Festival Choir from Orlando."*

Bach Festival Choir members recognize what a rare opportunity it is to sing with such an amazing choir. One member noted his reasons for joining the Choir: "Being part of a superb musical organization led by an incredible director. Singing high-quality music. Meeting really nice, interesting people in the other choir members."

Adults interested in auditioning should contact the Bach Festival Society by emailing choir@bachfestivalflorida.org.

Audition Information

What: Bach Festival Choir Auditions

Who: Adults with a passion for great choral music who are able to read music and can commit to the Choir's rehearsal and performance schedule

Where: Keene Music Building, Rollins College

When: Monday, May 18 and Monday, August 10

More Info: Email choir@bachfestivalflorida.org. All potential choir members are required to prepare one song that is classical in nature.

About the Bach Festival Society

The Bach Festival Society, located in Winter Park, Florida, is one of the longest continuously operating Bach Festivals in the country and among America's great oratorio societies. The Bach Festival Society brings the highest caliber of classical music to Central Florida. Performances are held in the intimate settings of Tiedtke Concert Hall and Knowles Memorial Chapel on the beautiful campus of Rollins College.

For more information regarding the upcoming season or to order tickets, please call the Bach Festival Society at 407.646.2182 or visit us online at www.bachfestivalflorida.org.

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