



**CHILDREN'S CHORUS
OF GREATER DALLAS**

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Singers Wanted

The renowned Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas invites
4th-8th grade students to its annual Summer Singing Camp —
DISD students attend free

March 30, 2009 (Dallas, Texas) — Young American Idol dreamers can get a taste of real music-making this summer with the Children's Chorus of Greater Dallas. Every June, this chorus — which regularly performs with such groups as the Dallas Bach Society and the Dallas Symphony Orchestra — gets casual with a week-long singing camp open to any singer entering grades 4 through 8. Even better, thanks to a grant from the Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs, students enrolled in Dallas ISD schools can attend free!

The camp is open to all children entering grades 4 - 8 (current 3rd-7th graders), with no audition required. During the week-long camp, the children sing everything from folk songs to Broadway tunes, play handbells, and learn about performing. On Friday, the students cap the week with a short concert for family and friends to show off their new skills.

This year's Summer Singing Camp will be held June 15-19, 2009, at the Cathedral Guadalupe in downtown Dallas (2215 Ross Avenue). There are two sessions: Session 1 in the morning, from 9 a.m. to noon, and Session 2 in the afternoon, from 1-4 p.m. The camp costs

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\$125, including a camp T-shirt and a non-refundable \$25 deposit. DISD students must pay a refundable \$25 deposit, which will be returned at the end of camp. Registration forms are available at www.thechildrenschorus.com or by calling 214.965.0491. (Para la información en español, llame a Silvia Davis 972-265-8118.)

See the Children’s Choruses and Youth Chorus in Concert:

April 26, 2008 — “Classical Spring,” Meyerson Symphony Center, 7:30 PM

To order tickets or find out more, call 214-965-0491 or go to www.thechildrenschorus.org.

About the Children’s Chorus of Greater Dallas (CCGD): This chorus was founded in 1996 to give Dallas-area children the experience of musical artistry and excellence, in a group that reflects the diversity of the Metroplex. The chorus includes singers in the fourth through twelfth grades. Qualifications are a good voice, a good sense of pitch, and a commitment to regular attendance at rehearsals and performances. Auditions are held in April. The five choruses — Prelude, Apprentice, Concert II, Concert I, and the Youth Chorus — rehearse on Monday evenings in downtown Dallas. The Children’s Chorus of Greater Dallas performs extensively in the Dallas area. Its choruses have been guest performers with the Dallas Opera, the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Orpheus Chamber Singers, the Vocal Majority, the Mesquite Civic Chorus, and Voices of Change. They have also been featured performers at festivals in the U.S. and Canada, including a spring 2005 performance at Carnegie Hall, New York City.

About Artistic Director Cynthia Nott: Ms. Nott has been the Artistic Director of this organization since its inception. Under her leadership, the choruses have grown from 70 singers to 350, earned the respect of the Dallas music community, and delighted audiences with their artistic excellence. Before joining CCGD, Ms. Nott directed middle-school choruses for 23 years. She is a well-known clinician and consultant throughout North Texas, appearing as a guest conductor for many All-Region, All-State, and district honor choirs. Ms. Nott is a member of the American Choral Directors Association and the Texas Music Educators Association. She earned a Master of Music in Choral Conducting from Southern Methodist University and a Bachelor of Music Education from Florida State University.

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