



Members' Newsletter

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Summer Concert Confirmed!

The Summer Season is now well underway and we are busy preparing for our first concert! **'An Evening of American Music'** will be taking place **Tuesday 5th July from 7.00pm** on the Canary Wharf Arts & Events stage in **Canada Square Park**. We will be performing a wide range of music so there should be something to please almost any musical taste.

Please help us to get the word out and start encouraging your friends, family and colleagues to come along to hear us sing. The concert is free to attend, no tickets required, and provides the perfect opportunity for a summer evening picnic (weather permitting!). If you are not able to join the choir to sing this season we hope you will be able to come along and support us.

The audience capacity is 1,500 so please encourage everyone you know to come along. The more the merrier!

Rehearsals and Copies of Music

Many thanks to Linda Hinsa and State Street who are kindly allowing us to use their premises for all rehearsals this season. Following feedback from members the rehearsal time has been changed so that we can finish earlier. Rehearsals will still take place on Mondays but we will now meet from 18.00 to 20.00. The aim is to finish at 19.45 when we can, although we may need to be a bit later nearer to the concert. If this change means that you are now able to come along but haven't been before, it's not too late to sign up for the Summer Season. Just go to the website to register and come along to the next rehearsal!

We have now purchased copies of all of the music required for the concert, and we hope to be able to distribute this to everyone at the rehearsal on 23rd May. For all those who are singing in the Summer Season and concert the cost of the copies is **£20** each, as advised at rehearsals. Thank you to everyone who has paid already, and if you have not been able to do so yet, you can make a payment directly to our bank account with the following details:

Name of payee: Canary Wharf Choir
Sort code: 400244
Account number: 42352052

Please ensure the reference is your name

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

ALL rehearsals will be held at State Street, 20 Churchill Place, Monday evenings from 18.00 to 20.00 on the following dates:

- 23rd May
- BANK HOLIDAY BREAK
- 6th June
- 13th June
- 20th June
- 27th June
- 4th July
- 5th July (concert)

Meet the Committee

HOW TO CONTACT US

Want to get in touch? If you have a question, suggestion or want to join the choir then please contact us at

www.canarywharfchoir.org

You can also speak to any member of the committee at rehearsals.

Keep in touch!

The Canary Wharf Choir organising committee have confirmed the following positions:

- Aisling Long - Chair
- John Tripp - Musical Director
- Linda Hinsa - Secretary
- Debi Sheridan - Membership Secretary
- Caroline Tyler & Sylvia Jones - Librarian (shared)
- Susan Griffiths - Treasurer
- Helen James - Publicity Officer
- Harlan Webber - Webmaster
- Doreen Ryan - Social Secretary

We are still looking to fill the position of **Concert Manager**, and we welcome any volunteers who can help Harlan with Joomla or other web technologies or Helen with publicity. Please get in touch via the website if you are able to help!

A little bit about us

Canary Wharf choir is for people who live and work in Canary Wharf. We have an open door policy, all welcome and no audition required.

We are a newly established choir building on the success of joint events by the already existing choirs in the area, such as the Canary Wharf Carols and Candles service, which we will be singing at again this year (see panel on the right).

The choir sits alongside the existing choirs, holding 2 - 3 events each year with members able to choose which they can commit to.

If you know someone who likes to sing, would love to be in a choir but who doesn't want to sign up for life then please let them know about us! We are still looking for members and it's not yet too late to sign up for the Summer Season, just sign up on the website and come along to the next rehearsal. We'd love to see you there!

AUTUMN SEASON AND CAROLS AND CANDLES SERVICE

With the Summer Season well underway we've not forgotten those who are unable to join us this term.

The Carols and Candles service at the East Wintergarden will be taking place on 13th December 2011 and is the next planned performance for the choir. Please note the date in your diary!

Rehearsals will start around October and we'll be in touch nearer the time to let you know how to sign up, and where/when the rehearsals will be. We may also hold another short concert in the Autumn so watch this space!

We look forward to seeing you at the next rehearsal or at the concert on 5th July - don't forget to spread the word!

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