

Opportunities for Choral Scholarships 2023

Belfast Cathedral is delighted to announce that there is now an exciting opportunity for accomplished young singers to join the Choir of Belfast Cathedral as a **Soprano**, **Alto**, **Tenor**, or **Bass** Choral Scholar.

The Choral Scholarships will enable young people to enjoy singing the great cathedral repertoire in a beautiful building with a superb acoustic, making friendships that will last a lifetime, receive training, and learning new skills as part of a committed team of musicians.

The Cathedral's new Master of Music, **Mr Jack Wilson**, is keen to hear from individuals interested in auditioning, and expressions of interest are most welcome.

What duties are involved as a Cathedral Choral Scholar?

- Singing the services of Choral Eucharist and Choral Evensong each Sunday in term-time, as well as at the major Festivals of the Church, and frequent civic occasions.
- Attending the weekly choir rehearsal, each Thursday evening.

What are the benefits?

- There is a scholarship grant of £1,500 for Choral Scholars who are university students, and £750 for those who are still at school.
- Choral Scholars will receive free singing tuition.
- Choral Scholars applying for university choral scholarships or other musical positions will have an opportunity to receive special training that should be helpful in preparing for voice trials, auditions, and interviews, delivered by guests who are experts in their field.

There are vacancies for Soprano, Alto (male or female), Tenor, and Bass Choral Scholars from **September 2023**.

Further information is available from Mr Wilson who will be delighted to hear from you, via:

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Belfast Cathedral (the Cathedral Church of St Anne) has stood for over 120 years as a place of Christian worship in the heart of the City of Belfast. This Hiberno-Romanesque building is one of the ecclesiastical and architectural highlights of Northern Ireland.

The music department is currently in the process of recruiting choir members for the coming academic year, who alongside singing Sunday Services, will perform at large diocesan and civic occasions. Over the years the Cathedral choirs have sung on national and local radio and television, and have undertaken concerts and tours.