

Boy & Girl CHORISTERS

Shaping Young Musicians For The Future

◆ Be part of a Cathedral steeped in history, in the centre of Belfast, where Northern Ireland's young musicians will be nurtured and developed to their full potential, creating lasting memories with a lifelong education.



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Or Contact Mr Jack Wilson Organist and Master of Music Belfast Cathedral, Donegall Street, BT1 2HB jackwilson@belfastcathedral.org 028 9032 8332



+ WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR? +

WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS TO JOIN OUR CATHEDRAL CHOIR HERE AT BELFAST CATHEDRAL, WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOYS AGED 7-12, AND GIRLS AGED 11-18.

NO PREVIOUS MUSICAL EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED, ALTHOUGH A LOVE OF SINGING IS KEY. WE LOOK FOR CANDIDATES WHO HAVE A GOOD EAR, ARE ENTHUSIASTIC, AND SHARE A GOOD SENSE OF HUMOUR.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO BECOME A CHORISTER AT BELFAST CATHEDRAL?

- RECEIVE A FREE, FIRST-CLASS MUSICAL EDUCATION, THANKS TO THE WEEKLY ROUTINE OF REHEARSING AND PERFORMING
- → DEVELOP LIFELONG SKILLS, WHICH WILL STAY WITH CHORISTERS FOR LIFE SUCH AS TEAMWORK, ORGANISATION, TIME MANAGEMENT AND CONFIDENCE
- → MAKE FRIENDSHIPS THAT WILL LAST BEYOND THEIR TIME AS A CATHEDRAL CHORISTER
- ◆ BE A PART OF HISTORY MAKING MUSIC FOR SERVICES IN ONE OF BELFAST'S MOST ICONIC BUILDINGS, IN A TRADITION SPANNING OVER 120 YEARS
- ♦ THE OPPORTUNITY TO SING TO A WIDE RANGING AUDIENCE, INCLUDING ON TELEVISION AND RADIO BROADCASTS
- ◆ OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN TO PLAY THE PIANO AND ORGAN AT DISCOUNTED RATES
- ♦ JOINING THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR ON SUBSIDISED TOURS TO BOTH THE UK AND ABROAD
- **♦ A SMALL TOKEN PAYMENT EACH YEAR**

WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT OF BEING A CATHEDRAL CHORISTER?

GIRL CHORISTERS AGED 11-18

- ◆ REHEARSE EACH TUESDAY 5-6PM AND WEDNESDAY 4-6.30PM DURING ACADEMIC TERM TIME.
- ◆ SING CHORAL EUCHARIST (I I AM) ON THE IST AND 3RD SUNDAYS OF EACH MONTH, WITH REHEARSAL AT I 0AM
- ◆ SING CHORAL EVENSONG (3.30PM) ON THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH, WITH REHEARSAL AT 2.30PM
- ◆ SING CHORAL EVENSONG (5.30PM) EACH
 WEDNESDAY

BOY CHORISTERS AGED 7-12

- ◆REHEARSE EACH TUESDAY 4-5PM AND THURSDAY 4-6.30PM DURING ACADEMIC TERM TIME.
- →SING CHORAL EUCHARIST (I I AM) ON THE 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS OF EACH MONTH, WITH REHEARSAL AT 10AM
- →SING CHORAL EVENSONG (3.30PM) ON THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH, WITH REHEARSAL AT 2.30PM
- **♦SING CHORAL EVENSONG (5.30PM) EACH THURSDAY**

CHORAL SERVICES TAKE PLACE DURING ACADEMIC TERM-TIME, ALONGSIDE THE MAJOR FESTIVALS OF CHRISTMAS AND EASTER

CAN PARENTS GET INVOLVED?

YES! WE ARE KEEN TO INVOLVE NOT ONLY THE CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS, BUT ALSO THEIR PARENTS AND FAMILIES, WELCOMING THEM INTO THE WIDER CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY. PARENTS ARE INVITED TO BE INVOLVED, IF THEY WISH, WITH CHORISTER SUPERVISION (WITH ALL RELEVANT TRAINING PROVIDED), AND TO TAKE PART IN THE CHORISTER PARENTS ASSOCIATION.

REHEARSALS BEGIN TUESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 2024.

ANY QUERIES ARE MOST WELCOME, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO YOUR CHORISTER AUDITION, AND INTO OUR CATHEDRAL FAMILY!

A CATHEDRAL AT THE HEART OF THE CITY, WITH THE CITY AT ITS HEART