

# CHORALE

August 2005

Welcome Back!!! Hopefully everyone has had a delightful and refreshing summer and is ready to enjoy the challenges and possibilities that the new year offers. A special welcome is extended to new choral directors. We encourage you to join MENC-NCMEA today and look forward to meeting you at the November In-Service Conference. You may secure a membership form and information from: [www.menc.org](http://www.menc.org) or Music Educators National Conference, 1806 Robert Fulton Dr., Reston, Virginia 20191. Phone: 1-800-828-0229 We are eager to hear your ideas and look forward to working with you. New directors are urged to e-mail Diane Covington, New Teachers Chair, as soon as possible. (DCovington@wcpss.net) or feel free to contact Libby Brown, Choral Activities Coordinator, if you have any questions. (336-765-9988 or Libbster@triad.rr.com) Please continue to look for Choral Section news updates on this web page. The January Chorale will be posted on this website by January 5. Best wishes for a happy and musical year.

Sincerely, Your Editor, Libby Brown

## NORTH CAROLINA HONORS CHORUS

### Information from Carol Riggs, Honors Chorus Coordinator

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Guest Conductor – Dr. Mack Wilberg, Associate Director, Mormon Tabernacle Choir

Purpose: To honor the most capable vocal musicians of North Carolina's high schools by giving them the opportunity to perform at the very highest level of achievement and to provide a superior educational experience for these students and directors.

### HONORS CHORUS PROGRAM

Cum Sancto Spiritu	Rossini
Quiet Rain, from Nocturnes	Lundvik
Ring Out, Wild Bells	Nelson
Peace Like A River	Wilberg
Cindy	Wilberg

1. AUDITION PIECE: Students should prepare Cum Sancto Spiritu – Rossini/ed. Skones  
Colla Voce 55-50105
2. AUDITION REHEARSAL CD's: Available from Carol Riggs. Cost: \$5.00 per CD. You may buy one and burn your own. Payment must accompany orders. In order for all auditions to be consistent across the state, we will use this CD for all auditions. Checks should be made payable to Carol Riggs.  
ONLINE AUDITION TRACKS are available from [www.Ledfordhigh.com](http://www.Ledfordhigh.com) Scroll down and find NC Honors Chorus Tracks. You or your students may burn any combination of tracks from this website.
3. AUDITION FEE: \$15.00 per student. Payment should be by school or booster checks or money orders and must be included with the application forms. Personal checks will be returned.
4. SEPTEMBER 10th is the DEADLINE FOR ALL AUDITION FORMS:
  - a. All application forms should be sent to Carol Riggs at the address above.
  - b. Registration fees must be included with applications.
  - c. Forms postmarked after September 10th will be returned.
  - d. Please **do not allow** students to complete the forms.
  - e. If you send applications by Express Mail ... Please, **sign the waiver** on the label so the mail carrier may leave the envelope in the mailbox. Not signing the waiver only slows down your applications

and prevents honoring your time requests!

5. Please use the current online form, found under Forms at [www.ncmea.net](http://www.ncmea.net). Please copy on standard 8 1/2 x 11 paper.

6. INDICATE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION on your applications:

- a. West, Central, or East (NCMEA Handbook, Page CH-2, Section 5).
- b. Voice Part: Do not indicate more than one voice part!!!
- c. Choral director's HOME PHONE WITH AREA CODE
- d. The school's complete name and mailing address.

7. The number of applications from a school may not exceed 10% of that school's CHORAL enrollment. If you have 96 choral students you may round up to 10 applicants. If you have 94 choral students you may send only 9 students. **No exceptions.** Bring/send ONLY singers who are TRULY capable musicians. Exchanges are permissible **within** a specific voice part. There can be **NO** exchanges out of the same voice part.

8. AUDITION SITES, DATES AND CONTACT PERSONS:

EAST: THURSDAY, SEPT 22 Methodist College Jason Britt 910-483-0191 ext 334

CENTRAL: FRIDAY, SEPT. 23 UNCG Welborn Young 336-334-5428

WEST: SATURDAY, SEPT. 24 Lenoir Rhyne College Ron Vannoy 828-498-2675

9.. AUDITION TIME PREFERENCES will be honored on a first come/first serve basis. Directors sharing transportation should send registrations together to ensure similar audition times.

10. AUDITION RESULTS

a. Duplicate audition sheets will be used. One copy will be mailed to the school and the other will be retained by the coordinator.

b. A list of all students who make the Honors Chorus and alternates will be sent to the schools by UPS within 5 working days after auditions.

c. Directors of students who must cancel ARE REQUIRED to inform the coordinator immediately. Alternates should learn the music as if they are seated. Alternates are expected to attend unless the director notifies the coordinator. The order in which the names appear on the list is the order that the alternates will be seated.

11. NC HIGH SCHOOL HONORS CHORUS rehearsals will be Saturday, November 12 and Sunday, November 13. The performance will be on Sunday, November 13.

12. Directors must be current members of MENC. Membership cards must be shown at the audition site. Parents or other directors who may be transporting students to auditions must bring a copy of the valid MEND ID card with them.

13. You may secure a membership form and information from: [www.menc.org](http://www.menc.org) or Music Educators National Conference, 1806 Robert Fulton Dr., Reston, Virginia 20191 Phone: 1-800-828-0229

14. Pepper At Duncan will send out all packets to those chosen for the Honors Chorus.

## NCMEA IN-SERVICE CONFERENCE

The North Carolina Music Educators Association In-Service Conference will be held November 13-15, 2005 in Winston Salem. It promises to be an exciting four days. Dr. Mac Wilberg from the Mormon Tabernacle Choir will be the clinician for the North Carolina Honors Chorus. Be sure to attend the Choral Section business meeting on Monday morning. There will be general sessions with marvelous concerts and interesting speakers. And of course, it is a wonderful time to share ideas with fellow choral musicians and visit old friends. Make plans to attend today!!!

## WWW.NCMEA.net

Please make The North Carolina Music Educators Association website a favorite site. The January Chorale will be posted under Section News by January 5. Other choral section news updates will be posted as needed. All applications are available in the Forms section.. The Choral Section Constitution and Rules and Regulations can be found under the Handbook section. Click Table of Contents, then Choral Section, then Rules and Regulations to find the up-to-date handbook.. Please review the rules and regulations for all activities on a regular basis. We encourage everyone to use this valuable resource.

## **NORTH CAROLINA ALL – STATE CHORUS**

### **Information from Jane Woody, All - State Coordinator**

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**Dates: January 27 - 28, 2006**

Site: Greensboro War Memorial Coliseum Complex

Rehearsals and registration will be held in the Special events center and  
the concert will be in the War Memorial Auditorium

**Deadline for Applications: September 10**

- Clinicians: 11th -12th Grade Mixed Chorus: Dr Kent Hatteburg, University of Louisville  
9th-10th Grade Mixed Chorus: Dr. Paul Etter, Gardner Webb University
- Purpose: To give our most outstanding students a chance to participate with other students of like ability in a highly select group and to give these students an opportunity to work with outstanding choral directors
- Quota: There will be one chorus of 11th-12th grade mixed voices and one chorus of 9th-10th grade mixed voices each drawn from students in grades 9-12. The All-State coordinator will determine the quota for each school. Allotment is based on the number of 9th-12th grade students currently enrolled in the choral program with no student being counted twice if registered for more than one class during the regular school day.
- Fees: \$15.00 per student participant (Send to All-State Coordinator after receiving quota)
- Application: A current application form is provided in this newsletter
- Repertoire: Jane Woody will announce the repertoire in a later mailing

## **NEW THIS YEAR**

### **ALL-STATE DISTRICT/ZONE REHEARSALS**

The following policy was approved by the NCMEA Choral Section on Jan. 28, 2005

E. All – State Choral Festival

Eligibility

3. Students must attend a district rehearsal to participate in the NC All – State Choral Festival.

**PURPOSE:** The district rehearsal would help students thoroughly prepare the music for the All – State Choral Festival. Students would be able to rehearse the piece in a choir setting.

Each singer and director must attend a zone rehearsal to be eligible for the All-State Chorus. Each Choral Region will have at least one zone rehearsal site. The tentative schedule for the zone rehearsals will be posted on this website by September 1<sup>st</sup>..and confirmed at the November In Service Conference.

**HOW IT WORKS:** There will be at least 8 districts or regions as listed in the Choral Section Constitution. The district rehearsal would be held at the discretion of the district rehearsal host. District rehearsals would be held between December 1st and at least one week before the All – State Choral Festival. The district rehearsal would last 3 hours, usually 5:00 – 8:00. Participants would rehearse with the other musicians from their district. Directors from each district would take turns conducting and accompanying the rehearsals. Attendance will be checked at each rehearsal site and a list of those in attendance will be sent to the All- State Coordinator. In the event a student's name is not on the list, the director will be informed that the student may not participate in the festival.

## **NC WOMEN'S ALL-STATE CHOIR**

### **Information from Amy Daw, ACDA Women's All-State Choir Coordinator**

6 Dalton Ct., Durham, NC 27705

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The Women's All-State Choir is sponsored by the NC American Choral Directors Association and will be held in conjunction with the NC All-State Choral Festival on January 28-29, 2005 at the Greensboro War Memorial Coliseum Complex. Dr. Lisa Fredenburgh, Meredith College. Amy Daw will announce the repertoire in a later mailing. **Deadline for application is September 10.** Singers in the NC Women's All-State Choir must also attend the district rehearsal

**NCMEA CHORAL SECTION  
2005 - 2006 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Changes may occur due to facility conflicts, needs of directors, school calendar revisions, conflicts with state testings, etc....Please continue to check this site for updates.

**SOLO/ENSEMBLE FESTIVALS**

- East #1**      **March 10-11, 2006**      **Wakefield High School, Raleigh**  
Thomas Koch, Wakefield HS, 2200 Wakefield Pines Dr., Raleigh, NC 27614  
S: 919-562-3649      tkoch@wcpss.net
- East #2**      **March 4, 2006**      **Beddingfield High School, Wilson**  
M. H. Ezzard, PO Box 119, Stantonsburg, NC 27883  
H: 252-238-3803    S: 252-299-7880      dezzard@bbnp.com
- East #3**      **Feb. 25, 2006**      **Ashley High School, Wilmington**  
Jennifer Sugerik, 6302 Standsberry Ln., Wilmington, NC 28412  
H: 910-452-7731    S: 910-790-2360      [sugerik4@aol.com](mailto:sugerik4@aol.com) or jsugerik@nhcs.k12.nc.us
- Central #1**      **March 30-31, 2006**      **First Baptist Church, Kernersville**  
Barbara L. Geer, 1196 Pine Knolls Rd., Kernersville, NC 27284  
H: 336-996-5293      Geer4music@aol.com
- Central #2**      **March 14, 2006**      **Sandhills Community College, Pinehurst**  
Frances Wilson, 575 Fairway Dr., Southern Pines, NC 28387  
H: 910-692-7255    S: 910-695-3830
- West #1**      **April 7, 2006**      **University City United Methodist Church**      **Charlotte**  
Edith Blafield, 10438 Baskerville Ave., Charlotte, NC 29260  
H: 704-548-1707    S: 704-343-5284      [gecblafield@cs.com](mailto:gecblafield@cs.com) or edith.blafield@cms.k12.nc.us
- West #2**      **March 3, 2006**      **Hickory Arts Center, Hickory**  
Cindy Benton, 609 17<sup>th</sup> Ave., Dr. SE, Hickory, NC 28602  
H: 828-327-4704    S: 828-256-9841 ext. 327      Cynthia\_Benton@catawba.k12.nc.us
- West #3**      **March 31, 2006**      **AC Reynolds High School, Asheville**  
Janis Bryant, A.C. Reynolds High School, 1 Rocket Dr., Asheville, NC 28803  
H: 828-628-4564    S: 828-298-9554      jadesinger@aol.com

**LARGE ENSEMBLE FESTIVALS**

- East #1**      **March 6-7, 2006**      **Meredith College, Raleigh**  
Ed Yasick, Cary High School, 638 Walnut St., Cary, NC 27511  
S: 919-380-3618      eyasick@wcpss.net
- East #2-3**      **March 17, 2006**      **Havelock High School, Havelock**  
Melissa Murphy, 294 River Reach Drive, Swansboro, NC 28584  
H: 910-326-1602    S: 252-463-1533      missy.murphy@craven.k12.nc.us
- Central**      **March 8-10, 2006**      **Wake Forest University, Winston Salem**  
Barbara Geer, 1196 Pine Knolls Rd., Kernersville, NC 27284  
H: 336-996-5293      Geer4music@aol.com
- West #1**      **March 15-17, 2006**      **Wingate University, Wingate**  
Terri Setzer, 2901 Taviston Dr., Waxhaw, NC 28173  
H: 704-243-3789    S: 704-849-8062      MTJBSetzer@aol.com
- West #2**      **First ARP Church, Gastonia**  
Trip McGill, PO Box 1404, Kings Mountain, NC 28086  
H: 704-739-4443    S: 704-864-6001      T.McGill@worldnet.att.net
- West #3**      **March 17, 2006**      **Brevard College, Brevard**  
Michael Porter, Music Dept., Brevard College, 400 N. Broad St., Brevard, NC 28712  
H: 828-242-3766    S: 828-884-8139      skhoke@brevard.edu

**WORKSHOPS**

- East #2**      **March 17, 2006**      **Hunt High School, Wilson**  
Susan Powers, 4054 Lake Hills Dr., Wilson, NC 27893  
H: 252-243-6404    S: 252-399-7930      musicusie@nc.rr.com
- West #3**      **Oct. 11, 2005**      **Brevard High School, Brevard**  
Mary Beth Shumate, Brevard High School, 747 Country Club Rd., Brevard, NC 28712  
H: 828-884-6572    S: 828-884-4103      mshumate@transylvania.k12.nc.us

## HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL SECTION APPLICATION FORMS

The following application forms can be found in the forms section of the NCMEA Website. All forms are in a pdf format.

High School Honors Chorus Application form  
High School All-State Choral Festival Application form  
High School Solo/Small Ensemble Festival Application form  
High School Large Ensemble Choral Festival Application form  
High School Choral Section Teacher of the Year Nomination Form