

2014 Ohio Choral Directors Association High School Honor Men's & Women's Chorus

In conjunction with OCDA Summer Conference at Otterbein University June 16-18, 2014

Dear Colleagues,

Announcing the 2nd Annual High School Honor Men's & Women's Chorus.

- These Honor Choirs are designed to focus on literature specifically for (T)TBB & SSA (A) voices for students who were freshmen through graduating seniors during the 2013-2014 school year.
- High School music teachers and community choir conductors are invited to select their finest young singers to participate.
- Teachers DO NOT NEED TO BE ACTIVE OCDA MEMBERS to recommend singers.
- Teacher recommendation forms are available on the OCDA website: www.ohiocda.org.

OCDA understands and respects time limitations of educators, and hopes that the teacher recommendation rather than recording and processing audition material will encourage more choral programs to take part in what is sure to be a wonderful experience.

Please note that in order to better ensure balanced ensembles we are asking that you recommend two complete quartets for each group. More details can be found on the teacher recommendation form.

RD Mathey, professor emeritus from Bowling Green State University, and Jim Gallagher, professor emeritus from The Ohio State University will conduct the 2014 High School Men's & Women's Honor Chorus.

- OCDA is honored to have these two legends in Ohio choral music as the Guest Conductors for the 2013 & 2014 season. In a unique format the conductors will switch roles and direct the opposite ensemble the following year. This ensures that your returning students will get the opportunity to work with both of these Ohio choral masters.

The High School Men's & Women's Chorus Concert will be presented at Otterbein University on Monday, June 16, at 7 pm.

*Each student will receive a packet of music, access to learning tracks on the OCDA website, lunch, dinner, and a concert t-shirt
Two tickets for parents are included in the participation fee.*

All High School Men's & Women's Honor Chorus registrations must be postmarked by April 9, 2014.

In closing, without support from the teachers of Ohio, OCDA would not be able to offer these opportunities to the youth in our state. Please support this opportunity for your outstanding young singers in Ohio. If you do not have students in grades 9 - 12, please share this information with a colleague that does. Because OCDA is focused on what is best for the young vocal artists of Ohio, all teachers are invited to recommend their most talented young singers. Thank you for supporting the 2014 High School Honor Men's & Women's Chorus,

Eric Kauffman,
OCDA High School Honor Choir Chair