## **ABOUT US**

The Houston Children's Chorus, founded in 1989 by Stephen Roddy, exists to musically enrich the lives of the children, families and community it serves. The mission of the Chorus is to teach children to achieve multi-cultural understanding through choral singing and performance. Our goals are to enjoy the art of making music together; to develop students' musicianship through singing and performance; to learn about diverse cultures and languages through music; and to foster personal responsibility, teamwork, self-control and self-confidence – all qualities that help children to succeed in choral performance and in life.

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Performances for former President and Mrs. George W. Bush, former President and Mrs. George H. W. Bush (deceased), and former President Bill Clinton
- Regular performances with the Houston Symphony and the Houston Symphony Pops
- Performed with Josh Groban for Super Bowl Opening Ceremonies
- Performed concerts in New Zealand ('92), Hong Kong ('94), Russia ('97), The Vatican and Italy ('99), England (2000), Japan, Mexico, New York's Carnegie Hall, China (2008), Taiwan (2011)
- Thanksgiving Day Parade, Downtown Houston
- Featured at the World Economic Summit
- Commercials for local networks, Blue Bell Ice Cream and United Way
- Performances with Celine Dion, Maureen McGovern, Josh Groban, Larry Gatlin, Susan Graham, Randy Travis, Beach Boys, Tommy Tune, Lee Greenwood, Dionne Warwick, Yolanda Adams. Reba McEntire and other celebrities
- Annual Summer Service Project in Galveston. Summer of 2021 in Maine
- Regular performances of National Anthem for Rockets,
  Astros and Texans

# INCREDIBLE PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES!

#### PARENTS AND TEACHERS

Please visit www.houstonchildren.org to view audition information, including dates and times, to request an audition. Download the Prospective Chorister Information form, complete the form and return it to the Chorus along with a \$50 registration fee. The form and fee (check made payable to the Houston Children's Chorus or online payment) must be received in our office before an audition will be scheduled.



CELEBRATING 31 YEARS

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Visit us at www.youtube.com/HoustonChildren to view performance clips and hear interviews with Chorus members and parents.



## AUDITIONS COME SING WITH US!





## 31 YEARS OF RISING STARS

### **ALUMNI**

Our alumni excel in local high school choruses and many are accepted at the High School for the Performing and Visual Arts. Our alumni have sung on Broadway, appeared in movies, been finalists on American Idol, and excelled in Metropolitan Opera competitions and other performances.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Houston Children's Chorus offers tuition assistance based on need. It is our goal to be completely accessible to every child in the Houston area regardless of economic status.

## 2ND - 3RD GRADERS PREPARATORY CHOIR

The Preparatory Choir is for children entering 2nd or 3rd grades, and auditions are not required to join. The purpose of the Prep Choir is to introduce children to the fundamentals of music within the framework of a performing ensemble. Children will be taught music, vocal and performance skills including posture, breathing, note-reading, diction and other essential techniques. The Prep Choir performs at the end of each semester in ticketed events in the concert hall. This ensemble serves as a wonderful introduction to the Chorus and provides a comprehensive musical foundation for its members.

REHEARSALS FOR PREP CHOIR ARE HELD AT ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH (5315 MAIN STREET, IN THE MUSEUM DISTRICT)
FROM 2:15-3:15 P.M. ON SUNDAYS (EXTENDED 30 MINUTES ONCE A MONTH). PARENTS DO NOT ATTEND REHEARSALS.

Choristers - \$600 Per Year (\$50 non-refundable registration + \$550 tuition)

## 5TH – 8TH GRADERS CONCERT CHOIR

The Concert Choir is open to children entering grades 4 through 8 who complete a successful audition. Concert Choir participants are exposed to a wide array of musical styles, composers and languages within a structured and dynamic rehearsal environment. The Concert Choir performs at various times throughout the year, including our two ticketed performances in the concert hall and other venues around the greater Houston area. Additionally, the Concert Choir has alternated serving as artists-in-residence in Galveston, Maine and Mexico and has toured both domestically and internationally.

REHEARSALS FOR CONCERT CHOIR ARE HELD AT ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH (5315 MAIN STREET, IN THE MUSEUM DISTRICT) FROM 2:00-4:00 P.M. ON SUNDAYS (EXTENDED ONE HOUR ONCE A MONTH, 2:00-5:00). PARENTS DO NOT ATTEND THE REHEARSALS.

New Choristers - \$800 Per Year (\$50 non-refundable registration + \$750 tuition)