

Auckland Girls' Choir Opportunities

Auditions OPEN NOW for 2022 Season

“Exceptional physical, mental, spiritual and emotional benefits of shared musical experience gained through a choir, can last a lifetime”

Gina Sanders, Musical Director

The Auckland Girls' Choir has an exciting opportunity for young girls ages 9 and up to audition to become part of the Choir for its 26th season. Auditions will be held on Saturday, 27 November, 2021, at St Mark's Parish Centre, 95 Remuera Road, Remuera, between 9am-2pm or via Zoom.

Visit www.akgirlschoir.co.nz to apply the audition online for an audition timeslot, or send email to agcinfo@akgirlschoir.co.nz for more information.



The choir at the recent SAPACs competition where they took several 1st and 2nd place awards in a number of classes.

Auditions are 15 minutes and prospective choristers will be asked to do the following:

- Sing a song of their own choosing without accompanying music
- Sing scales
- Repeat rhythms
- Match pitch
- Other age-appropriate musical exercises.

There's no need for extensive preparation. The selection team will consider each student's tonal quality and her ability to focus and follow instructions.

The Choir has earned a reputation for high standards in performance and musical discipline. They were very well received at significant concerts at St Mark's Remuera "Celebrating Parents Concert", at St Luke's Remuera "Variety Concert", in Clevedon at the Clevedon Valley Music Foundation Trust's "Sunday Serenade". The Choir took several 1st and 2nd places in a number of classes at the recent South Auckland Performing Arts Competition Society's Choirs' Festival.

The Auckland Girls' Choir is a microcosm of the rich diversity of the City of Auckland, with choristers from 29 different schools whose cultural backgrounds represent over 12 different nationalities and has an enduring and compelling service tradition of performing in major community and civic events in Auckland. The Choir was founded by well-known teacher and community leader, Leonie Lawson (MNZM) in 1996.

26 years later the Choir is excited to have Leonie's vision carried on under Musical Director Ms Gina Sanders, a leading performer, teacher and examiner at all levels in New Zealand and internationally. With over 60 opera and oratorio roles in her repertoire, she has appeared as a soloist with every major choral society, orchestra and opera company in NZ, and is a NZ Concert FM artist. She has conducted numerous choirs, both here in NZ and internationally, including The Happy Wanderers in Brisbane, Jugendliche Stimmen in Stuttgart, and award-winning NZ Choirs, Valley Voices, Macleans College Chorale, The King's College Chapel Choir, All the King's Men and Kappella, in addition to several community and project choirs. Ms Sanders is currently a Teaching Fellow at the University of Waikato, a national examiner and very active as a soprano soloist. www.ginasanders.org

The Choir's raison d'être is to provide opportunities for girls from the greater Auckland area, to enter a comprehensive and structured music and choral training program so that they may acquire excellent musical skills necessary to perform at a high artistic level. A Scholarship and Financial assistance program has recently been established with funding from individuals and organisations that support the Choir's vision.

The Choir is a registered charity, CC49654.