

# HARMONY EXPLOSION 2019

**October 25 & 26, 2019**

**Friday 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**

**Saturday 9 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.**

*Show Saturday 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.*

## **Tommy Douglas Collegiate**

**130 Bowlt Crescent, Saskatoon**

**Registration fee: Early Bird - \$35.00**

**After September 30 - \$40.00**

Are you 14 to 25 years of age? Do you love music? Do you love to sing? Would you like to learn a cappella 4-part harmony? Then *Harmony Explosion 2019* is for YOU!

*Harmony Explosion 2019* is an intensive weekend for young women and young men to learn the art of 4-part a cappella barbershop style—music created from four different voice parts that blend into one chord. The weekend of singing begins Friday night October 25 and continues all day Saturday October 26. The cost for *Harmony Explosion 2019* is minimal: \$35 per participant, which includes all music, learning tracks, t-shirt, snacks, and lunch. The fee increases to \$40 after September 30 so register early!

At *Harmony Explosion 2019* there will be a young men's chorus, young women's chorus, and both will join together for the mixed chorus. Each chorus will sing two songs so you will receive four songs in total. Not only will you sing but you will have some choreography as well.

The *Harmony Explosion 2019* grand finale will be the performances in the evening (Saturday October 26) in the Tommy Douglas Collegiate Theatre as guests in the Magic City Chorus show *A Cappella Showcase*. The three *Harmony Explosion 2019* choruses will perform, along with Acoustic Theory, local quartets, Chimo Chordsmen, and the hosts, Magic City Chorus.

### **Voice Parts**

In simple terms, a cappella barbershop harmony is vocal harmony produced by four parts: lead, tenor, baritone, and bass and is without accompaniment. Finding the right part for your voice is the initial step. Anyone of average singing ability, with or without vocal training, will find a part that fits their range. You do NOT have to be able to read music to sing barbershop style as *Harmony Explosion 2019* provides you with audio files with your selected part.

In order to determine your voice part, you can listen to the audio samples in the [voice parts link](#).

## **Our Clinicians**

*Harmony Explosion 2019* clinicians are Robert Ross and Cheryl Pearce. In addition to the two fabulous clinicians there will be section leaders for both the young women's and young men's choruses.

### **Robert Ross**

Robert Ross is a Performance Judge for the Barbershop Harmony Society. Robert is also a long-time member of the international championship chorus the Toronto Northern Lights, and is a part of the performance leadership team. He is the Bass of 2018 World Mixed 3<sup>rd</sup> place bronze medalist quartet Ripple Effect. He is a sought-after coach for men's, women's, mixed and youth quartets and choruses from Canada, USA, and overseas. Robert has served as the Vice President of Youth in Harmony for the Ontario District of the BHS and truly enjoys encouraging Barbershop singing in youth. He is a proud Canadian and proud supporter on the "Everyone In Harmony" initiative.

### **Cheryl Pearce**

Cheryl Pearce will be directing both songs for the *Harmony Explosion 2019* young women's chorus and one song for the mixed voices chorus. Cheryl has been a member of Sweet Adelines International since 2000. She joined Magic City Chorus in Saskatoon as a baritone and has been directing the award-winning Magic City Chorus since 2006. Cheryl loves quarteting, currently singing with On Track. She is also a volunteer for the organization as an Education Faculty, coaching choruses throughout Western Canada. Cheryl has played a leadership role in promoting and organizing Young Women in Harmony workshops in Saskatoon in the past and is integral in planning *Harmony Explosion 2019*.

## **Registration:**

- ♪ Your registration fee of \$35 (\$40 after September 30) includes your music, learning track audio files, T-shirt, Saturday lunch, snacks, water pouch, pencil and excellent clinicians and section leaders.
- ♪ Complete the Registration Form (including the Emergency Medical Information Form) available on the Face Book Event page (<https://www.facebook.com/events>) or the websites for ACOUSTIC THEORY (<http://www.acoustictheory.com>) or MAGIC CITY CHORUS (<https://magiccitychorus.com/>).
- ♪ Email completed Registration Form (including Emergency Medical Information) to [saskatoonharmony@gmail.com](mailto:saskatoonharmony@gmail.com)
- ♪ E-transfer the registration fee of \$35 (or \$40 after September 30) using [saskatoonharmony@gmail.com](mailto:saskatoonharmony@gmail.com). It is auto deposit, so a password is not required.
- ♪ If you are sending a cheque, make the cheque payable to *Harmony Festival* and send to 51-310 Kingsmere Blvd, Saskatoon, S7J 4S4
- ♪ Even if you are sending a cheque by mail, you can still email the registration form. Please indicate cheque sent mail (include cheque number) in the email.
- ♪ Once you are registered, we will email to you the links to the sheet music and the learning tracks (audio files). The audio files will contain your part alone which you can use to learn your part. Once you know it pretty well you can sing with the audio file with your part and the other three parts.

If you have any questions please contact the Registrar Emilee Kowaliuk: [saskatoonharmony@gmail.com](mailto:saskatoonharmony@gmail.com)

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT HARMONY EXPLOSION 2019.**