



TUCSON WOMEN'S CHORUS

*A Tucson community women's chorus for women
and girls who love to sing!*

Adults who sing seem to be remarkably good citizens

In a study done by Chorus America called "Chorus Impact Study" it was found that:

- ♪ Choral participation remains strong in America with 32.5 million adults regularly singing in at least one of 270,000 choruses nationwide
- ♪ Choral singers exhibit higher levels of civic involvement, with choristers 3 times more likely to be officers or committee members of local community organizations such as the PTA

Reasons to join a chorus:

- ♪ Choral singers donate 2.5 times more money to philanthropic organizations than the general public
- ♪ 78% of choral singers indicated they "at least sometimes" volunteer their time in their community while only 50% of the general public say the same
- ♪ 74% of choral singers agree or strongly agree that singing in a chorus has helped them become better team leaders or team participants and has helped them socialize better in other areas of their lives
- ♪ 96% of choral singers surveyed who are eligible voters said they vote regularly in national and local elections whereas only 70% of the general public engages in this activity

For more information on this study visit
chorusamerica.com

About the Tucson Women's Chorus

Founded in 2002, the group sings chants, rounds and songs from other cultures and traditions from around the world. The emphasis is on using the natural voice and learning songs the way our ancestors learned them for millennia: by singing them.

The Tucson Women's Chorus includes women who have sung in other choruses as well as women who love to sing but have not participated in an organized group. Members do not need to know how to sight-read music or have previous singing experience; the only requirement is a love of singing.

We presently have 60 members. For more information, visit www.tucsonwomenschorus.org

Karleena Ravenwood, TWC Director

Karleena Ravenwood has sung in numerous community choruses including the Symphony Chorus in Portland, Oregon, the Adirondack Community Chorus and the Brattleboro Women's Chorus in Vermont. She has studied voice and plays a variety of musical instruments. She takes as her primary mentor Ysaye Barnwell of *Sweet Honey in the Rock* who has shaped Karleena's way of holding the chorus.

The choice of music for each session varies and has included freedom songs from Angola, South Africa, our own civil rights movement, African-American gospels, Native American traditions, Christian and Jewish traditions as well as songs from Korea, Ghana, Ireland, Sweden, Mexico, Russia, Germany, Iran and Israel. Each session features different songs and Karleena's selection of songs is inspired by "what moves me" and how different songs talk to each other and then weave an energy pattern for singers and listeners alike.

We need your help!

We recognize that in these tough financial times, every dollar has to be wisely spent. But it is also during these difficult times that non-profit organizations suffer the most as they generally rely on donations to meet their operating costs. As a 501(c)3 organization obtaining operating expenses depend on the generous contributions from people like you!

Because we are a non-profit organization, all donations are tax exempt. And for every dollar contributed, we can continue to provide an opportunity to any woman or girl who wants to sing but can't afford to pay the registration fee – a chance to sing and interact with other women.

We also will gladly accept in-kind donations like printing or assistance with the purchase of musical equipment or supplies like blank CDs.

Whatever you would like to contribute will be put to good use. Any donation over \$25 will automatically generate a letter from the TWC that can be used for income tax purposes.

Sponsorship packages are available

- **Major Chord \$250/year**
You would receive a listing in the program for both yearly concerts; four preferred seating passes to each performance; a CD of each concert and the ability to include a flyer (5½x8½) in each program.*
- **Sweet Harmony \$150/year**
You would receive a listing in the program for both yearly concerts; four preferred seating passes to each performance; a CD of each concert
- **Steady Beat \$75/year**
You would receive a listing in the program for both yearly concerts; two preferred seating passes to each performance; a CD of each concert
- **Rhythm \$50/year**
You would be listed in the present Concert series program and receive Two passes for preferred seating.
- **Note \$25/concert**
You would be listed in the present Concert series program and receive two passes for preferred seating.
- **Tributes \$25/each**
If there is someone special that you Would like to acknowledge, a name listing of your loved one in the program is available.

All sponsor names will be listed on our website. If your donation is through your business, we will link to your site.

A copy your concert CD as well as a copy of the program will be mailed to you as soon after the concert as possible.

Thank you for your support!

To ensure your listing in our program, please complete and return the form on the next page by no later than December 21, 2009.

** The TWC Board reserves the right to review the flyer prior to insertion in the program and reserves the right of refusal.*

What do I do next?

If you're ready to make a commitment to supporting local women and girls in finding their voices – and sharing them with the Tucson community, please complete the following information:

PLEASE PRINT OR WRITE LEGIBLY

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Business or Home?

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

e-mail _____

website _____

Sponsorship Level

_____ Major Chord (\$250/year)

_____ Sweet Harmony (\$150/year)

_____ Steady Beat (\$75/year)

_____ Rhythm (\$50/year)

_____ Note (\$25/concert)

_____ Tribute (\$25 each)

What would you like it to say?

Thanks _____

Dedication _____

In Memory _____

Please mail your completed form and your check to our Treasurer:

Leslie Daniels
7369 E. 20th St.
Tucson, AZ 85710

Checks received by December 31, 2009 will receive a tax exemption letter from the Tucson Women's Chorus for tax year 2009. Checks received after that date, will receive letters for the tax year 2010.

If you would like more information about the Tucson Women's Chorus,
please visit our website at tucsonwomenschorus.org