

Inspire your Choir - join *abcd*



abcd – Association of British Choral Directors – is the UK’s only organisation devoted to supporting people who lead choirs. A Registered Charity founded in 1986, ***abcd*** welcomes anyone who leads singers or sings in choirs – whatever your experience or qualifications. To get more from your choral singing, join us!

Our 700+ members represent over 1,000 choral groups. Members include choral conductors and directors, music leaders, teachers, singers, composers, organists, students and many more. Groups led by ***abcd*** members include large choral societies, small choirs, music classes in schools and church and cathedral choirs. So, whether you’ve found yourself unexpectedly in charge of a school choir or you’re an experienced choral director, ***abcd*** is the ideal organisation to help you get the most from your conducting.

*“As a choral conductor, you can’t make it on your own. To do your best work you need to meet others, exchange ideas, listen and learn. In the UK there is no better forum for doing this than ***abcd***, and I encourage every choral conductor, whether relative novice or experienced professional, to join and reap the benefit. ***abcd*** offers something for everyone. I’ve never attended an ***abcd*** event and not come away enriched and inspired.”*

John Rutter

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abcd membership gives you so many benefits:

- **Specialist events.** Workshops, conducting courses, choral and repertoire days organised nationally *and* regionally at special low rates for members.
- **Event leaders include** many of the UK's best-known choral conductors offering a wide range of guidance on repertoire, technique and choral development.
- **Extended Conducting Courses** at Initial and Intermediate level, held at weekends over six months.
- The **abcd Annual Convention.** See leading choirs in action, enjoy sessions led by UK and international presenters and a large music fair, hear stimulating ideas, views, repertoire and techniques. 28-30 August 2009, University of Winchester.
- **Mastersinger, abcd's** quarterly journal. The authoritative source for choral-conducting news, reviews, comment, events, new repertoire, tours and courses.
- **Networking and information.** Access to extensive contacts and lists of Individual and Corporate members (publishers, tour operators, music colleges and retailers), plus the foremost musical organisations in the UK.

Further Information

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