

APPLICATION

Early Application is Advised

Cost for the Singing Day

£5.00 for ABCD members

£15.00 for non-members

£5.00 for students

**in full time education and delegates for
the Sing Up Training Day.**

including light refreshments during the day

Please complete the form overleaf, cut it out and send it with a cheque for the appropriate amount.

**CHEQUES, SIGNED AND DATED, SHOULD BE
MADE PAYABLE TO:**

ABCD

and sent with this application form to:

**Geoff Mason
The Bays
Wilnecote Lane
TAMWORTH B77 2LG**

Tel : 01827 284564

PLEASE ENCLOSE AN **SAE** (9" x 4¼") so that further details can be sent to you.

Do you need a map(s)? Yes/No

We regret that no refunds can be made unless the event is cancelled. The organisers reserve the right to make changes to the advertised programme if circumstances dictate this.

ABOUT THE DAY

Midlands Region Singing Day 2010 includes singing and conducting opportunities for singers and conductors at all levels, working with experienced leaders and tutors. Please see inside this leaflet for more details. Please return your completed application form as requested together with your payment.

The parallel Sing Up training session with Sharon Durant is for teachers, school support staff, singing leaders, young singers and community musicians at all levels of ability. It is supported by funding from Sing Up. To apply either return this form as requested, contact us by e mail on westmidlands@singup.org or phone on 01827 284564 to reserve a place

ABOUT ABCD

The Association of British Choral Directors, founded in 1986, is a registered charity providing a unique forum for all those involved in the leading of choral music in the UK. Its purpose is to promote, improve and maintain the education, training and development of choral directors with a view to improving standards in all sectors of choral activity by the organisation of regional and national events, the publication of regular newsletters, the encouragement of choral composition, and liaison with the relevant regional, national and international organisations.

Membership

For enquiries regarding membership contact Len Fletcher - 01772 655939
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Association Of British Choral Directors MIDLANDS REGION

SINGING DAY 2010

for

**Conductors, Teachers,
Singing Leaders, Singers,
Students, Pupils**

In fact anyone who leads or enjoys singing

in association with National 'Sing Up'
at

The Coton Centre, Tamworth, Staffs

SATURDAY 27 February 2010

10.30am – 4.30pm

**A rare opportunity to work
with guest leaders**

Mike Brewer

Alexander L'Estrange

Sharon Durant

President: Sir David Willcocks CBE MC

Vice Presidents:

Brian Kay, Pamela Cook MBE and John Rutter



'A singing school is a happy school'. Sing Up – the Music Manifesto National Singing Programme, produced by Youth Music with AMV.BBDO, Faber Music and The Sage Gateshead, supported by Government.

PRESENTERS

Mike Brewer OBE, is director of the National Youth Choir of Great Britain and also conducts the chamber choir Laudibus. He is adviser on world music to the International Federation of Choral Music and is assessor to Mexico's Choral programme,

Mike is consultant to 20 UK Youth Choirs and has adjudicated for Choir of the Year and the National Festival of Music. He was a Churchill Fellow for 2002-3. He writes for Faber. His publications include Kick Start Your Choir, Warm Ups, Improve your Sight Singing and Fine Tune your Choir

Alexander L'Estrange is one of Britain's foremost young jazz musicians as well as composer / arranger and counter tenor. He is consultant of Choral Basics, a new series of publications for choirs. Alexander was a choral scholar at New College, Oxford. He conducted the Oxford Chamber Choir and was also MD for a number of shows for The National Youth Music theatre.

He has kept his close links with Oxford, recording a variety of Medieval and Contemporary works there. He is great demand as both a vocal and instrumental performer, a workshop leader and composer / arranger. You may recognise him (together with his wife) as a member of the church choir in The Vicar of Dibley!

Sharon Durant: is currently working as the Workforce Development Resource Manager for Sing Up, the National Singing Programme. This involves training and supporting teachers and other musicians who participate in singing with primary aged children and collecting and commissioning various kinds of resources. Sharon also directs several community choirs.

Her Sage Gateshead's projects include: leading the Vocal Curriculum at The Sage Gateshead's weekend school, she managed the Community Music Apprenticeship, Vocal Animateur for the Paul Hamlyn 'Unlocking the Future' project across secondary education in Tees Valley inspiring KS3 teachers to enliven singing in the classroom and was Musical Director for A Winter's Tale, a piece of musical theatre by Howard Goodall and Nick Stimson, commissioned by The Sage Gateshead.

National 'Sing Up' a government funded initiative with the objective of encouraging children to participate and enjoy singing every day. Headed up by singing ambassador Howard Goodall, and overseen by The Sage, Gateshead, 40 million pounds has been allocated to the project over three years for a huge training programme for teachers and singing leaders.

Accompanists for the Day: Colin Walker, Ben Lamb

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY

Howard Goodall Requiem 'Eternal Light'
'Zimbe' a cantata based on African songs by
Alexander L'Estrange
Faber part songs

The parallel **Sing Up** session with Sharon Durant will include ideas for warm ups, improving your skills and resources

Schedule

From
9.30 Registration,
*coffee and exhibition/sales**

10.00 Warm-ups and singing activities – Mike Goodall Requiem – Alexander

11.30 *coffee and exhibition/sales*

11.50 first split session

- 1) - Mike with SATB Choir - Faber Songs
OR
- 2) - Alexander with Female Voices

1.00 LUNCH (*please bring a packed lunch*)

1.45 second split session

- 3) - Mike
'improve the sound of your choir'
OR
- 4) - Alexander
SATB Choir work on 'Zimbe'
OR
- 5) - Find out about the Sing Up project and awards– Sing Up area leader

3.00 - 3.20 *Tea break/exhibition/sales**

3.20 Full - with Mike and Alexander
Faber Songs
Goodall Requiem

4.30 End

***MUSIC MAKERS** of Tamworth will have available for sale throughout the day, a display of music for choirs and schools.

APPLICATION FORM

What is the name of the choir/group to which you belong? _____

Name (print) If you are a sing up delegate please write SING UP in 'your choice of split session' section	ABCD member		Student	Voice	Your choice of split sessions	
	YES	NO			am	pm
				S/A/T/B	1 or 2	3, 4 or 5

Address for sending details..... Post code..... Contact tel.no.....
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NB - If a group application, put Group Leader's name first and his/her address and tel.no.
- If more than 5 applicants, send in an additional sheet giving the above information

PLEASE TURN OVER FOR PAYMENT DETAILS