



# COMMUNITY SINGING WORKSHOP with

# KEN BURTON



Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2012 Workshop 10am-1pm, concert 7.45pm Leeds Town Hall

A workshop for anyone enthusiastic about singing, led by gospel conductor Ken Burton.

#### ABOUT THE DAY

The workshop is part of the Association of British Choral Director's (*abcd*) Annual Convention, which this year takes place in Leeds from 24-26 August. It's the year's foremost event for anyone leading singing. The highlight of the weekend is the gala concert in Leeds Town Hall on the evening of 25 August, which will include a leading choir from Sweden as well as the best of local talent from Yorkshire. Everyone who takes part in the workshop will have the opportunity to sing in a grand community choir finale to the concert, led by Ken.

#### **About Ken Burton**

Ken Burton is principal conductor of award winning London Adventist Chorale (BBC/Sainsbury Choir of the Year 1995, BBC UK Gospel Choir of the Year 1996, GEM award winners 2005) and musical director and conductor of the Croydon SDA Gospel Choir, whose album 'The Very Best Of Gospel' and appearances on Eastenders and Flashmob Opera have received wide acclaim. He is regularly on the judging panel for BBC Choir of the Year and was a judge on Channel 4's Gospel Singers of the Year. He is a versatile arranger and composer and his arrangements and compositions



are heard all over the world, including on TV programmes such as *Eastenders*, *The X-Factor* (for which he was choral arranger), *Songs of Praise*, *Prom at the Palace* and *Ant and Dec*.

#### BOOKING DETAILS

#### Cost

Adults £15 Concessions (students in full time education\*) £5 Low income/unwaged £2

This includes taking part in the evening concert. If you are unable, or don't wish, to sing in the evening, please indicate this on the booking form. There is a fixed amount of seating available for the evening concert and if demand is high we may have to limit the number of singers for the performance. Places will be allocated in order of booking.

\* Students under 16 are very welcome, but should be accompanied by an adult.

Booking forms should be returned to: Leeds Artforms, *abcd* workshop, The West Park Centre, Spen Lane, Leeds, LS16 5BE

For more information about the workshop, email educ.artforms@leeds.gov.uk For more information on *abcd*'s Annual Convention and gala concert, see www.abcd.org.uk or email rachel.greaves@abcd.org.uk

## BOOKING FORM

Please fill in a booking form for each participant. You are welcome to photocopy this leaflet.

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Address	
	Postcode
	_ Email
Preferred voice part (if known)	
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#### ABOUT ahed

**abcd** is the only UK organisation which is devoted entirely to supporting those leading choral music, both amateur and professional. It is committed to promoting opportunities for the professional development of all those leading singing, whether in the classroom or the community. It runs an extensive programme of national and regional courses, workshops and seminars, as well as publishing a regular journal.

**abcd** has over 700 individual members and 50 Corporate members. The individual members of **abcd** conduct over 2,400 choral groups, whose members number several thousand. **abcd** has pioneered accredited choral conducting training nationally, catering for a broad range of styles and aiming to develop confidence and practical skills which can be used with any age group, type of choir or group of singers. It also runs workshops in schools and with young people who lead, or want to lead, singers.

For further information see our website www.abcd.org.uk, contact Rachel Greaves, General Secretary on 01935 389482, email rachel.greaves@abcd.org.uk or Kate Allen, Events & Training Officer on 07528 382445, email kate.allen@abcd.org.uk

#### ABOUT ARTFORMS

ArtForms is the music and arts team within Children's Services (Leeds City Council) that supports schools.

We believe that all young people in the city are entitled to a rich and exciting range of arts, music and cultural activities, and we work in close partnership with other providers in the city to achieve this.

### Artforms provides

- Instrumental and vocal lessons for over 7,500 pupils in Leeds schools
- A wide range of curriculum enhancement workshops, projects and performances for schools
- Over 20 Youth Music ensembles for young players across the city
- 9 Music Centres throughout Leeds for young people and adults
- The Gordon Parry centre, a unique resource for those with learning difficulties

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