

Cambiata North West 2019

Keeping Boys Singing

Come and join Cambiata NW: a regional singing group for boys aged 10 – 18.

Who can join?

Cambiata NW is open to any boy in Y6 – Y13. You do not have to be an experienced singer, though you may be. All you need is the desire to sing in a group and be able to cope with a full day's singing.

Some boys come to Cambiata NW with others from their school, but you can also join as an individual; we guarantee that you will make lots of new friends very quickly!

You don't have to be based in the North West in order to join us either; boys travel to Cambiata NW from throughout the UK and beyond!

What sort of music do you sing?

We sing music from lots of different styles: pop/rock, musical theatre, classical, and folk music. Members of the group choose lots of the songs we sing and recently we've sung everything from *Rule the World* to Russian opera. If there's something you'd like to sing, let us know!

Most importantly, all of the music we sing is specially arranged for **boys** voices. Sometimes boys worry about not being able to hit high notes, but with us, there's no need to be concerned; all of our music is specially composed/arranged for us so that it fits with boys' changing vocal ranges.

How does Cambiata NW work?

This year, Cambiata NW is running two one-day workshops in the Spring Term. At the end of the last workshop, there is a concert to showcase the boys' talents! The workshop days are run by a team of Cambiata NW staff, mainly teachers. The musical director this year is Ian Crawford; Ian is highly experienced as a teacher and choir leader... and he is *great* fun! In addition to our annual workshops, some members of Cambiata NW take part in concerts over the summer and have recently sung at the BBC Proms and the Royal Northern College of Music.

What does 'Cambiata' mean?

Cambiata refers to boys' changing voices. Many boys love singing but become more sensitive about doing so as their voices change and deepen. At the same time, there are hardly any opportunities for boys with changing voices to sing together. That's where Cambiata NW comes in! Our experienced team of specialist staff fully understand the physiological and social issues boys face as their voices change. Repertoire is always appropriate to the group and workshops days consist of not only rehearsals but also (optional!) games of football, swimming and copious amounts of eating.



Most importantly, we make sure that everyone is comfortable singing the part that best suits their voice at that moment.

Dates, times and costs

Dates: **Sunday 20th January 2019, 10.00 – 15.30**
(registration from 09.30)

Sunday 10th February 2019, 10.00 – 17.00
(registration from 09.30, concert at 16.00).

Venue: Cheadle Hulme School, Claremont Road, Cheshire SK8 6EF

Cost: £10.00 per person (NB this is the total cost for both workshops)

Any questions?

Get in touch! Please contact Andy on 07880 706082 or email: CambiataNW@gmail.com. Teachers are welcome to observe Cambiata NW workshops by prior arrangement.

About abcd (Association of British Choral Directors)

For information about **abcd**, please visit www.abcd.org.uk or contact Rachel Greaves, **abcd** General Secretary on 01932 389 482 or rachel.greaves@abcd.org.uk.

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Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Contact email (parent/guardian): _____

Age at 1st January 2019: _____

School attended: _____

Please tell us a little about your singing and/or musical experience:

I confirm that my son _____ (name) will attend both rehearsals (and the final concert) on Sunday 20th January and 10th February 2019. I enclose the workshop fee of £10 (please make cheques payable to ABCD).

Signed: _____ (parent/guardian)

Please return completed forms to:

Cambiata NW, Moss Bank, Moss House Lane, Pilling, Preston PR3 6BX