



GUELPH YOUTH SINGERS



About Guelph Youth Singers

A Musical Mandate

Since its inception in 1991 Guelph Youth Singer (GYS) has worked to build choral excellence in our community, by developing the artistic soul and musical skills of children and youth. Through exposure to the highest caliber of instructors, repertoire and performance opportunities, GYS strives to instill a love of choral music and a joy of singing in all participants while offering audiences with outstanding performances.

An Outstanding History

Throughout its history Guelph Youth Singers has had many accomplishments of which the choristers can be very proud:

- *CDs:* Released two solo CDs, with a third planned for 2008. Performed on CDs for other musical organizations.
- *Tours:* The touring choir enjoys performing regularly throughout Canada and into the United States. A GYS Children in Harmony Honour Choir will perform at Walt Disney World, Florida in 2008.
- *Competitions:* GYS choirs both host and participate in a variety of Festivals and events including the Kiwanis Music Festival. They have received top awards at the local, provincial and national levels.
- *Community:* GYS participates in community events such as retirement home holiday caroling, benefit concerts, and co-presentations with other artistic organizations.

Leadership for Success

Under the leadership of Linda Beaupré, Artistic Director, GYS provides three levels of learning based on age and skill level, and specialized choirs for both the most advanced choristers as well as a dedicated boys choir. Participants are taught sight reading, progressive theory instruction and professional level musicianship. *Without the support of our sponsors, volunteers and parents, none of this would be possible.*

Looking Toward the Future

As a not-for-profit agency, Guelph Youth Singers relies on this support and funding from governmental agencies to continue its work. The organization is striving build an even brighter future including:

- creating a bursary policy with increased funding,
- building greater community profile,
- commissioning new work, and
- increasing corporate sponsorship to enable all our activities.

Building choral excellence in our community