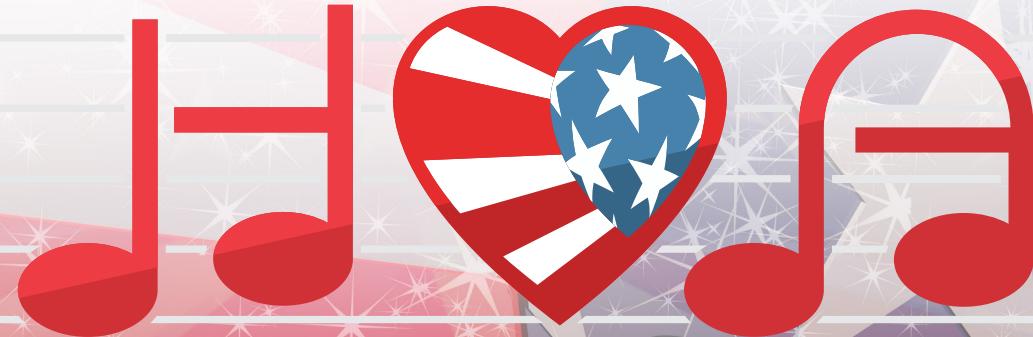


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# LETTER FROM THE PRODUCER

On behalf of the entire team of staff, volunteers, hosts, and sponsors...Welcome to Heart of America! We are both thrilled and honored to have you and your groups joining us. We know many long hours by students and staff alike have culminated in these amazing performances we are all about to witness, and we, like you, can't wait to see them come to life on the stage here today.

As a long time event producer, and former "show choir kid" myself, I am still in awe of the incredible talents shown by the students, the creative genius of the artistic staff including directors and choreographers, the amazing and beautiful garments often custom created by the costumers, the dedication and efficiency of stage crews, and the immeasurable effect and power of how much a live band behind these groups adds to their performances. When all of the dedication and attention to detail of each of these components combine, the result is exhilarating and often a truly magical experience for performers and audience alike. No doubt you will see some truly magical moments here on stage today. In fact, you will see many of the very best programs in the country, so ENJOY!

Of course any group is only as good as the support system behind it: the parents who coordinate fundraisers, trip details, measure for costumes, coordinate meals and snacks for the students while traveling or in rehearsals, the volunteers who design and build these incredible backdrops, and perhaps most importantly, the mom and dad who simply support their child and show up to cheer them on weekend after weekend all over the country. As a student who had parents that supported me in the arts, I can tell you, it makes all the difference in the world for self-confidence, longterm success, passion, and a love not only for the arts, but for life in general. What a beautiful gift you have given them - thank you.

As we celebrate our seventh year, we are thrilled to announce that Heart of America is now owned by Indianapolis based Music Travel Consultants, creators of life-changing student travel programs for the past 34 years. As one of the country's top student travel providers, MTC was created for music directors, by music directors. Why is this exciting and what does this mean for you and your students? Well, first off, it is important to know your onstage experience at well-run, fair, and exciting world-class events and our unique and well-received model of putting hotel, event, food, and entertainment all in one location won't change at all! What WILL change is a new updated and interactive website with online registration forms, streamlined invoicing with online rooming lists, new and exciting host cities, and perhaps most importantly, a recommitment to our guiding principals and vision to ensure HOA has longevity.

## "IN FACT, YOU WILL SEE MANY OF THE VERY BEST PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY, SO ENJOY!"

Thank you. Thank you for sharing your time and talents. Thank you for believing in our events. Thank you for teaching and shaping the next generation of performers, music teachers, and arts advocates. Thank you for continuing to inspire this show choir kid with your musical and creative endeavors. Mostly, thank you for supporting your sons and daughters, grandchildren, neighbors and friends, and giving these young people a place to shine!

  
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# YOUR ORLANDO ADJUDICATORS



## ANNE CHAPMAN

Anne Chapman has been singing since birth and dancing since she could walk. It was the natural progression of development growing up in the home of music educators. By middle school, she was earning honors as a vocalist and dancer, and by high school, she was teaching at the dance studio, choreographing show choirs and singing at national American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) conventions. Through her college years at Baylor University, Chapman remained active in choral and dance endeavors while earning a degree in Education.

Chapman taught second grade in Texas and kindergarten in Iowa, but requests for her expertise as dance instructor, dance team coach, musical and show choir choreographer finally resulted in her transitioning from classroom educator to performance educator. Her studio pupils have been awarded regional and national honors, her dance teams have been crowned state champions, her show choirs consistently rank at the highest levels in competition and her skills as an adjudicator and clinician have provided her with numerous opportunities to serve as show choir camp choreographer, guest speaker at conventions and symposiums and adjudicate competitions nationwide.

Chapman is a consummate performance educator; committed to the art, yet devoted to the learning that occurs through the art. Anne Chapman: singing and dancing since birth; educating and inspiring young performers for a lifetime.



## ALLEN CHAPMAN

Allen Chapman has taught vocal music at every level, elementary through college, in a remarkable career spanning more than four decades. His choirs appeared on 12 divisional and National Association for Music Education (NAfME) and American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) convention programs. He and his late wife Sandra directed ten concert tours of Europe. His show choirs were competition finalists and champions across the Midwest. He was a co-founder of the Iowa Show Choir Camp.

Chapman was named one of the Top 12 Music Educators in Iowa by NAfME. He and Sandra were given the prestigious McCowen Award by International Choral Directors Association (ICDA) and Show Choir Nationals established the Allen and Sandra Chapman Excellence in Education Award which is presented annually during their competition at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville.

Most recently, Chapman was recognized by the Iowa High School Music Association with the National Federation Award of Merit. The award recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions to music education at the local, state and national levels. Professionally, Chapman has served on the Iowa High School Music Association (IHSMA) committee that founded the state show choir competition, been the Iowa All-State Chorus Chair and served for ten years as National ACDA Repertoire and Standards Chair. He continues to maintain an active schedule as director, clinician and adjudicator nationwide.

# YOUR ORLANDO ADJUDICATORS



## DAMON BROWN

Damon Brown has been involved in music education for almost 4 decades. As an award-winning choreographer, show designer and songwriter, he has worked coast-to-coast with more than 75,000 students, including actresses Blake Lively and Dove Cameron. Additionally, he is the 3-time winner of the show choir industry's National Spirit of Service Award. He was honored to be the co-director of a choir that performed in Normandy, France for the 75th Anniversary Celebration of D-Day. In addition, Damon serves as Thirst Project's National Outreach Coordinator and is the founder of Show Choirs For Thirst. He has traveled to Africa on multiple occasions to build clean wells in impacted communities, and Damon has also engaged more than 90 school music programs nationally to raise over \$350,000 for the global water crisis since 2017. Damon is a graduate of Ball State University, and is married to the prettiest and smartest girl in the world, his wife Jeanie! He has 5 children, 4 grandkids, and his passions include serving on the Northview Church worship team, running marathons to raise money for clean water, and cheering loudly for the Indianapolis Colts!! He's seen more than 90 plays on Broadway, and in 2016, a very scared Damon even swam with great white sharks off the coast of South Africa.



## BRETT CARROLL

Brett Carroll has served as a conductor, musical director and arranger for live musical events in professional venues across the U.S. and overseas. He has produced and performed music for such well-known companies as Ford, Buick, General Foods, Dow Chemical and Unocal 76. He has produced live productions from Japan to Europe as well as here in the U.S. at the White House Easter Egg Roll in Washington, D.C.

Carroll also enjoys coaching and accompanying professional singers in the Los Angeles area including a recent performance with Broadway's Megan Hilty (Wicked/Smash). He is an avid clinician and has been a guest conductor/clinician for numerous nationally recognized high school choral programs as well as state school music organizations. Recently, he was guest conductor of the Missouri All-State Show Choir and taught clinics at the Missouri Choral Directors Association (MCDA) Convention for teachers and college students as well as adjudicating numerous regional and national show choir competitions.

Last summer, Carroll taught a graduate seminar course at Mt. Mercy University (IA) for choral directors that focused on new approaches to developing vocal and choral technique in high school singers. As director of the Vocal Music Association at Burbank HS (CA), Carroll conducts six vocal ensembles including four concert/show choirs who have been awarded top honors at various national festivals from New York to Los Angeles. In Sync, Burbank High's advanced mixed group, was hired to perform in the pilot episode of GLEE and was seen in the Disco episode. The BHS choral program continues to strive for artistic innovation and integrity each year through performances of newly commissioned pieces and choreography. Carroll is an active member of the Screen Actors Guild (SAG), American Choral Directors Association (ACDA), National Association for Music Education (NAfME) and the Southern California Vocal Association (SCVA).

# YOUR ORLANDO ADJUDICATORS



## DARREN DALE

Darren Dale grew up in Clinton, Miss. where he honed his love for music and performing arts. He earned undergraduate degrees in both marketing and music education from Mississippi College and a Master's in Music Education from the University of Southern Mississippi. He was cast as the lead in several collegiate operas and musicals.

Dale feels fortunate to have served as a music educator and vocal coach for the past 15 years. Many of his former students are now pursuing careers in music and entertainment. He currently has former students on the national tours of Hairspray and Mean Girls - the Musical. He has judged show choir and choral music contests across the country.

As an educator, Dale firmly believes in the potential of every single student and loves seeing the hard work of students and directors on display in a competition setting. He loves game shows and appeared on Let's Make a Deal with host Wayne Brady. He also appeared on Good Morning America to accept a donation to the arts programs at his school. Darren currently teaches music and special education at Wingfield High School in Jackson, Miss.

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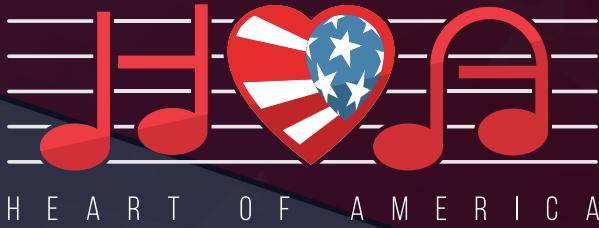
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# ORLANDO PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

## CONCERT DIVISION

TIME	SCHOOL	GROUP	LOCATION
8:20 a.m.	Center Grove HS	CG Singers	Greenwood, IN
8:40 a.m.	Cathedral HS	Concert Choir	Indianapolis, IN
9:00 a.m.	Daniel Hand HS	Chorus	Madison, CT
9:20 a.m.	Keller Central HS	Concert Choir	Keller, TX

Break

## SINGLE GENDER DIVISION

TIME	SCHOOL	GROUP	LOCATION
10:00 a.m.	Carmel HS	Accents	Carmel, IN
11:20 a.m.	Center Grove HS	The Debtones	Greenwood, IN

## CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

TIME	SCHOOL	GROUP	LOCATION
12:00 p.m.	Troy Buchanan HS	Express	Troy, MO
12:40 p.m.	Daniel Hand HS	Vibe	Madison, CT
1:20 p.m.	Westside HS	Amazing Technicolor Show Choir	Omaha, NE

Announcement of Single Gender Finalists

2:00 p.m.	Carmel HS	Ambassadors	Carmel, IN
2:40 p.m.	Center Grove HS	Sound System	Greenwood, IN
3:20 p.m.	Keller Central HS	Voices of Central	Keller, TX
4:00 p.m.	Prairie HS	The Ambassadors	Cedar Rapids, IA

Announcement of Championship Finalists

## OPEN DIVISION

TIME	SCHOOL	GROUP	LOCATION
10:40 a.m.	Cathedral HS	Irish Adrenaline	Indianapolis, IN
4:40 p.m.	Troy Buchanan HS	Soundwave	Troy, MO

## SINGLE GENDER FINALS

TIME	FINALIST
5:20 p.m.	Debttones from Center Grove HS
6:00 p.m.	Accents from Carmel HS

Dinner Break

## CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

TIME	FINALIST
7:40 p.m.	The Ambassadors from Prairie HS
8:20 p.m.	Amazing Technicolor Show Choir from Westside HS
9:00 p.m.	Express from Troy Buchanan HS
9:40 p.m.	Ambassadors from Carmel HS
10:20 p.m.	Sound System from Center Grove HS

Finals Awards Ceremony



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# ORLANDO PERFORMER PROFILES

## ACCENTS

Carmel HS from Carmel, IN

Director: **Kathrine Kouns**

Staff:

Assistant Directors: Anna DeBard and Kyle Barker

Technical Director: Andrew Okerson

Choreographers: Dwight Jordan and Ellie Jordan

Accents is a group of forty-eight talented young women from Carmel, Indiana that has been competing since 1976, and has a long history of success. This year, the Accents will compete at Pike High School, Chesterton High School, Franklin Central High School, Brownsburg High School, and in Orlando at the Heart of America Competition. Many thanks to the creative team that helped put this show together. Congratulations to all of the hard-working show choirs who are still making great music amidst all of the challenges that we are currently facing. They wish everyone the best of luck this season! Now start that clapping, snap those fingers, and get your hands up in the air for the Carmel Accents!!



## AMBASSADORS

Carmel HS from Carmel, IN

Director: **Kyle Barker**

Staff: Assistant Directors Kathrine Kouns and Anna DeBard, Technical Director Andrew Okerson, Choreographer Dwight Jordan

The Carmel Ambassadors include 55 singer/dancers from Carmel, Indiana. This group has been entertaining audiences for 50 years, and they have a long history of success as one of the first show choirs in the country. They are under the direction of Kyle Barker, assisted by Kathrine Kouns and Anna DeBard, and choreographed by Dwight Jordan. Congratulations to all of the hard-working choirs here today, and best of luck to everyone this season!



# ORLANDO PERFORMER PROFILES

## CONCERT CHOIR

Cathedral HS from Indianapolis, IN

Director: **Marian Bender**

The Cathedral High School Concert Choir is a non-auditioned ensemble, comprised of students in grades 9-12. The Concert Choir performs a variety of music at concerts and masses during the school year. In January of 2019, the group traveled to Rome, Italy, where they were invited to perform at St. Peter's Basilica. In 2020, the choir competed at the Heart of America Nashville competition.



## IRISH ADRENALINE

Cathedral HS from Indianapolis, IN

Director: **Marian Bender**

Staff: Assistant Director Chelsa Lee Samuels,  
Choreographer Ron Morgan



The Cathedral High School Irish Adrenaline Show

Choir was founded in 2016. The Irish Adrenaline Show Choir, travels and competes in state and national competitions and performs throughout the community. Over the last five years, the Irish Adrenaline Show Choir has been invited to perform at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, Italy, has competed in the National Heart of America competition in Nashville, Tennessee, and is excited to perform their "Dreams & Nightmares" set at the 2022 Heart of America Show Choir Competition today. This small but mighty group has won numerous awards, including 2020 Grand Champion at Fishers Silver Spotlight and 2021 Grand Champion at Warren Central Circle City Showcase. In the off-season, the Irish Adrenaline is the school's advanced women's ensemble and sings a variety of music at concerts and masses during the school year.

The Irish Adrenaline Show Choir is honored to once again be a part of Heart of America's Show Choir Competition! Go Irish!

# ORLANDO PERFORMER PROFILES

## CG SINGERS

Center Grove HS from Greenwood, IN

Directors: **Jennifer Dice and Greg Sanders**

C.G. Singers is a highly select concert ensemble. The group is under the direction of Jennifer Dice and Greg Sanders. CG Singers is proud to represent their school and the city of Greenwood as they work to provide consistently excellent and timeless entertainment to audiences across the country.



## SOUND SYSTEM

Center Grove HS from Greenwood, IN

Director: **Jennifer Dice**

Staff: Assistant Directors Greg Sanders, Jared Norman and Wendy Webb, Choreographers Andy Haines and April James, Band Director Greg Sanders

Show Title: The Godfather

Sound System has been competing since 1982 and in that time has built a reputation of being one of the nation's top show choirs.

The group is under the direction of Jennifer Dice, Gregory Sanders, Jared Norman and Wendy Webb. They are choreographed by Andy Haines and April James. CG Sound System is proud to represent their school and the city of Greenwood as they work to provide consistently excellent and timeless entertainment to audiences across the country.



# ORLANDO PERFORMER PROFILES

## THE DEBTONES

Center Grove HS from Greenwood, IN

Director: **Jared Norman**

Staff: Assistant Directors Greg Sanders, Jennifer Dice and Wendy Webb, Choreographer Andy Haines, Band Director Greg Sanders

Show Title: Cell Block Tango



Founded in 1963 by Judith A. Meeks, The Debtones have a reputation as being one of the highest achieving women's ensembles in the country. The group is under the direction of Jared Norman, Gregory Sanders, Jennifer Dice and Wendy Webb. They are choreographed by Andy Haines. The Debtones are proud to represent their school and the city of Greenwood as they work to provide consistently excellent and timeless entertainment to audiences across the country.

## THE AMBASSADORS

Prairie HS from Cedar Rapids, IA

Director: **Justin Sands**

Staff: Assistant Director Kelsey Legore, Instrumental Directors Deron Jimmerson and Kent Keating, Choreographer Stephen Todd



The Ambassadors Show Ensemble is the premier show choir for Prairie High School and is part of a comprehensive choral program. The Ambassadors is one of two show choirs at Prairie High School, and its members also participate in at least one of Prairie's other curricular choirs. In its eleventh year under the direction of Justin Sands with the assistance of Kelsey Legore and instrumental direction by Deron Jimmerson and Kent Keating, the 2022 competition season includes appearances at Linn Mar's "Supernova," Mount Pleasant's "Music in Motion," the Urbandale Show Choir Invitational, Kennedy's "Raise the Roof," and the Jefferson Show Choir Invitational. They will conclude their season at Heart of America - Orlando. Additionally, they are happy to host Premiere - The Prairie Show Choir Invitational each year.

# ORLANDO PERFORMER PROFILES

## VIBE

Daniel Hand HS from Madison, CT

Director: **Ron Soja**

Staff: Choreographers Greg Bussiere and Ashley Racicot, Music Arrangements Josh Greene, Stage Manager Tim Lunn

'Vibe' is a large mixed show choir from Madison, CT. Over the past 20 years VIBE has won numerous awards all over New England. This year VIBE's theme is The Matrix inspired by the 1999 hit movie. Soloists are Shirley Zullo, Madeline Wines, and Joseph Mazzarella.



## CONCERT CHOIR

Keller Central HS from Keller, TX

Director: **Leigh Ann McClure**

Staff: Accompanied by Sarah Jones and fellow director Casey LeVie, Ensemble Director Nick Chabot.

From Keller, Texas, the Central High School Chamber Singers comprise three of the eight concert choirs in the school's choral music department. The Chamber Singers have been consistent University Interscholastic League Sweepstakes winners, excelling in both concert and sightreading competitions. The school's top auditioned concert choir, this ensemble competes and performs as three separate ensembles: Chamber Men, Chamber Women and Chamber Singers. Five members of this ensemble were named to the 2022 Texas All-State Choir.

The Chamber Women recently recorded "Love Psalm" by Darmon Meador for Carl Fischer Publishing Company. This past fall, the Chamber Women won the Grand Prize and were recognized for the outstanding live performance in the inaugural "America's Got Choirs" competition sponsored by FeelltLive.



# ORLANDO PERFORMER PROFILES

## VOICES OF CENTRAL

Keller Central HS from Keller, TX

Directors: Leigh Ann McClure and Nick Chabot

Staff: Choreographers Ben and Melissa Eklund, Show Designer Jen Randall, Arranger John Burlace

Voices of Central is the varsity show choir at Keller Central HS from Keller, TX, a Fort Worth suburb. Each year they compete in many local, regional, and national competitions and host their own event, the Lone Star Show Choir Invitational. In February, VOC was the first show choir ever invited to perform for the Texas Music Educators Convention. The show, entitled "Texas," is a show choir journey across the diverse regions of our home state. As we explore, we also celebrate the musical styles and artists who help make Texas so unique! These students have shown such passion and determination throughout this process and are so thrilled to share their show, "Texas!"



## EXPRESS

Troy Buchanan HS from Troy, MO

Directors: Andrew Drinkall and Ryan Cooper

Staff: Choreographer Stephen Todd, Pit Coordinator Guy Grimstead

The group is comprised of 50 singer/dancers and they are accompanied by 10 instrumentalists.

Through the years, Express has been a consistent finalist in show choir competitions across the nation and they have won many caption awards along the way as well.

In 2022, Express will compete at Mt Zion, IL, Rock Bridge, MO, Battle High School, Columbia, MO, HOA Kansas City, and HOA Orlando.



# ORLANDO PERFORMER PROFILES

## SOUNDWAVE

Troy Buchanan HS from Troy, MO

Directors: **Andrew Drinkall and Ryan Cooper**

Staff: Choreographer Anne Chapman, Pit  
Coordinator Guy Grimstead

Soundwave is the Prep show choir from Troy BuchananHS from Troy, MO. The group is comprised of 52 singer/dancers and they are accompanied by 10 instrumentalists.

Through the years, Soundwave has consistently placed at the top of their class, winning many different awards in the Prep Division.

In 2022 they will compete at Mt. Zion, IL, Rock Bridge, MO, Battle High School, Columbia, MO, HOA Kansas City, and HOA Orlando.



## AMAZING TECHNICOLOR SHOW CHOIR

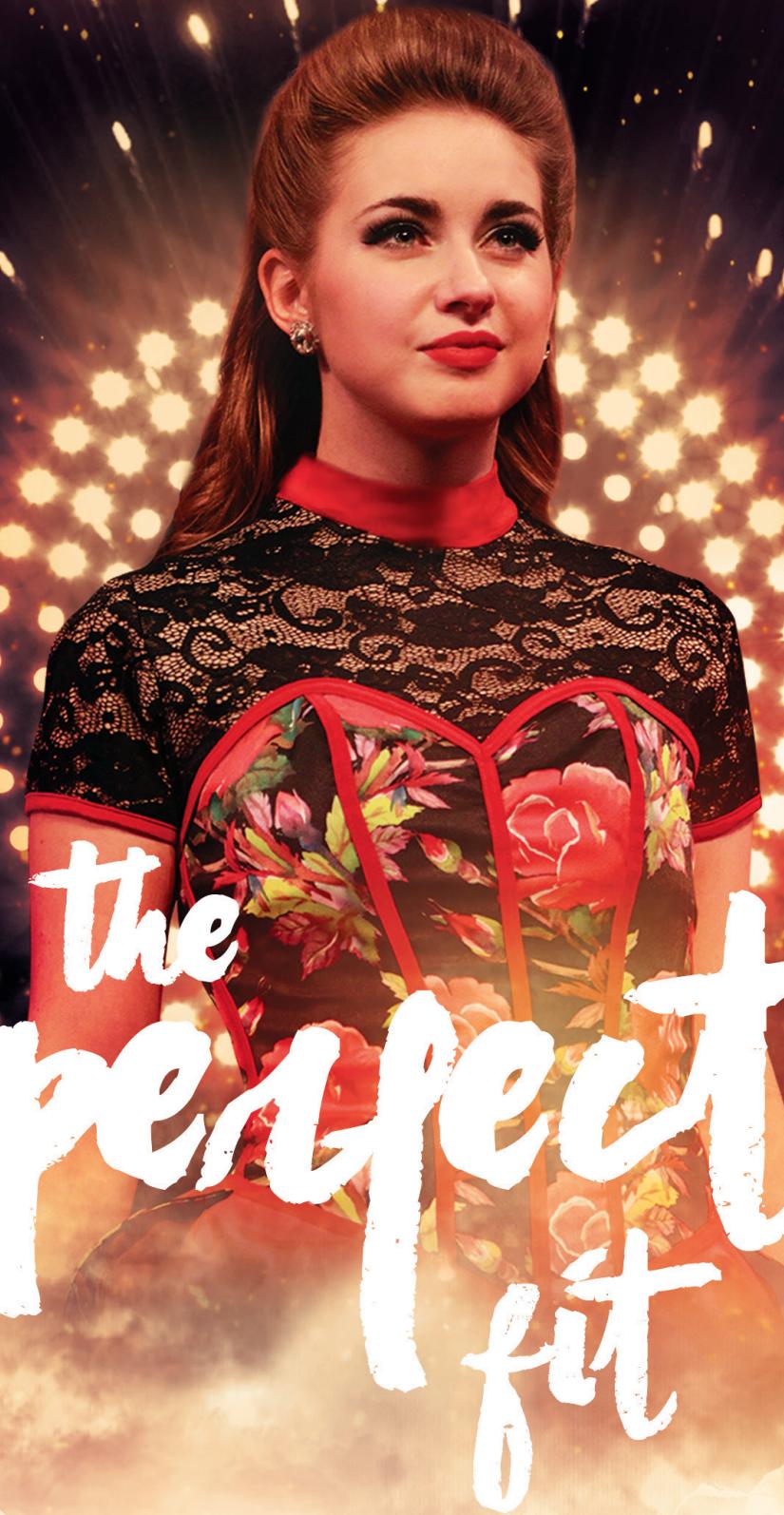
Westside HS from Omaha, NE

Director: **Doran Johnson**

Staff: Choreographers Stephen Todd and Katie DiCicco Accompanist Denise Millard



The Amazing Technicolor Show Choir is one of eight ensembles in the Westside choral program in Omaha, Nebraska. Students rehearse four times per week during the school day and receive academic credit. They are all also members of another concert ensemble. They are accompanied by a 16 member band and supported by a 6 person stage crew. ATSC has maintained a strong national reputation has placed in the top three at many national events including Showstoppers, FAME, Show Choir Nationals and Heart of America. In 2020 they earned Grand Championships at Viterbo, Millard West, Lincoln Southwest and Elkhorn South. In 2021 they participated in the HOA Virtual Finals. In 2022 they will be competing at Viterbo 101 (WI), Millard West (NE), Elkhorn South (NE), Omaha South (NE), Millard North (NE) and HOA Orlando. This year's show celebrates the "British Invasion" of the music scene started by the Beatles in the 60's and continues today by blockbuster artists like Coldplay, Adele and Ed Sheeran who have crossed the pond to dominate the American music scene. As you take this musical journey with us, we hope to remind you that "all you need is love" and a few great tunes.



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What to listen and look for during performances

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<b>VOCAL PRODUCTION</b>						
Overall Tone Quality						
Group Projection						
Group Intonation						
High Voice Parts						
Low Voice Parts						
<b>ENSEMBLE TECHNIQUE</b>						
Balance of Parts						
Blend of Ensemble						
Diction/Clarity of Lyrics						
Rhythmic Precision						
<b>INTERPRETATION</b>						
Overall Musicianship						
Effective Use of Dynamics						
Phrasing						
Difficulty of Music						
<b>VOCAL TOTAL (BEST VOCALS)</b>						
Choreography and Staging						
Difficulty of Movement						
Variety of Visual Style						
Strength and Vitality						
Showmanship						
<b>TECHNICAL PRESENTATION</b>						
Spacing of Pictures						
Intensity						
Precision of Movement						
Body Carriage						
Posture						
<b>INTERPRETATION</b>						
Performer Involvement						
Equipment and Effects						
Costuming						
Creativity						
<b>VISUAL TOTAL (BEST VISUALS)</b>						
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>						

Best Performances

Who do you think had the Best Vocals?

Who do you think had the Best Visuals?

Who do you think had the Best Band?

Who do you think had the Best Soloist?

Who do you think had the Best Show Design?

Who do you think had the Best Costume?

Who do you think had the Best Stage Crew?

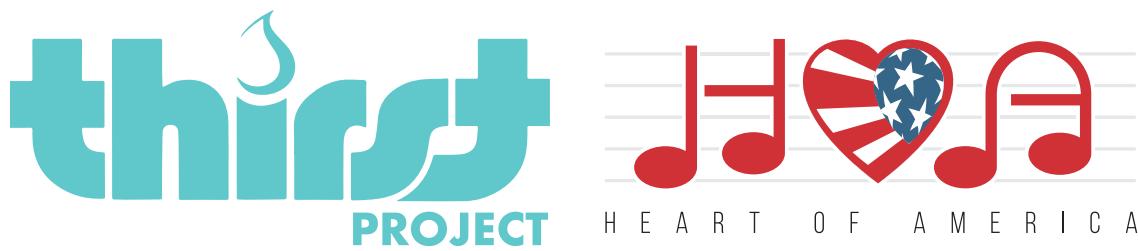
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Heart of America is proud to join the army of schools nationwide committed to being part of the solution, and we are asking you to help us by donating to the cause. Text **Thirst** to **97779** for more information or donate at [www.hoachoir.com/thirst](http://www.hoachoir.com/thirst). You can also give during our Miracle Minutes that we will be holding at all HOA events.



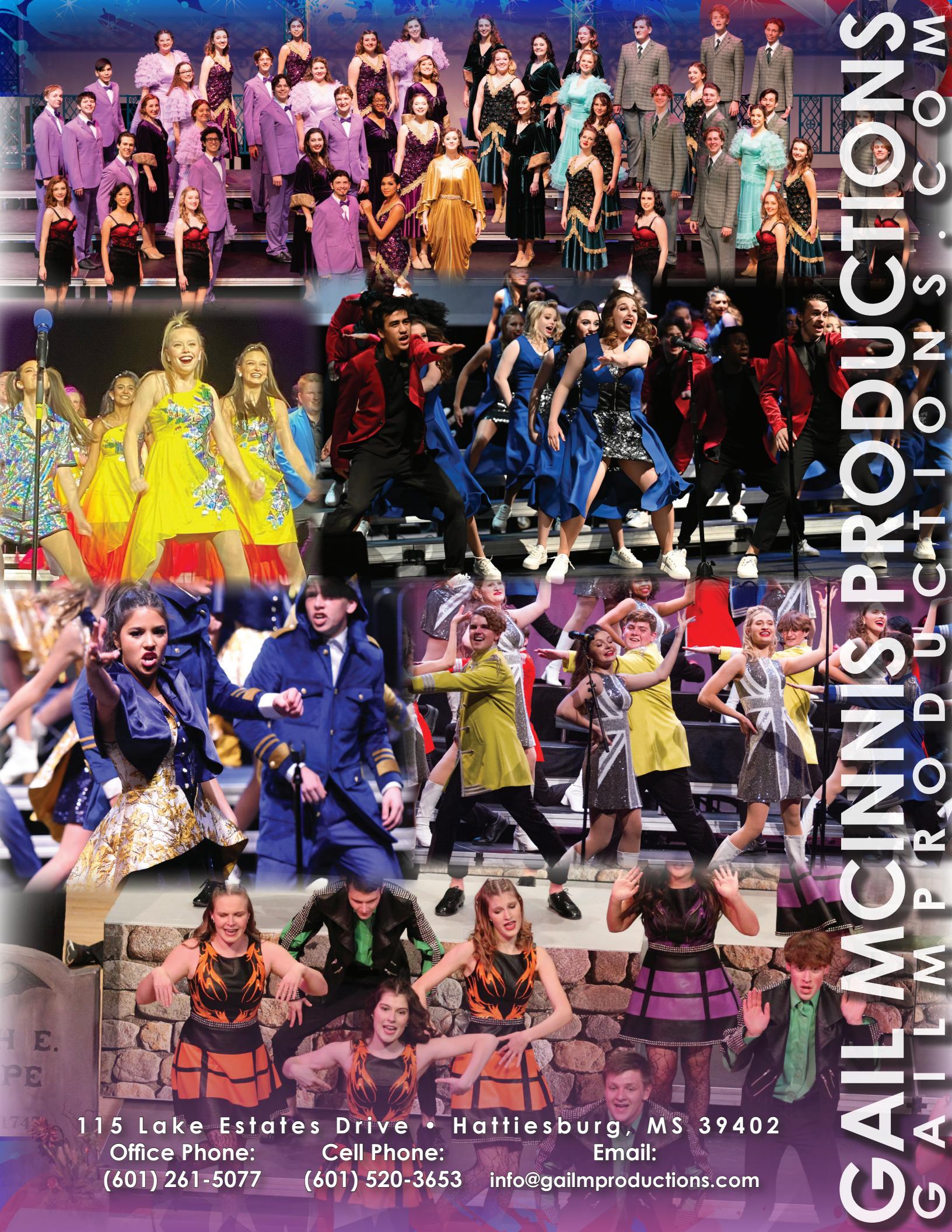
This year, with a matching gift from Music Travel Consultants, we are committed to building a fresh water well for a village in Eswatini, Africa, guaranteeing a lifetime of drinkable water for that community. Every dollar donated during this weekend will be matched by our partner Music Travel Consultants. Their commitment to help us build one well a year for the next three years speaks of their support of this project.

### FACTS ABOUT THIRST PROJECT

- ➊ We were founded in 2008 by a teenage high school show choir alum.
- ➋ Thirst Project is the world's leading YOUTH water organization.
- ➌ Since 2008, we have built over 2,700 water projects in 13 countries.
- ➍ We currently serve Eswatini, Uganda, Kenya, El Salvador, India.
- ➎ Nearly 400,000 people have received a lifetime supply of clean water due to the efforts of students being activated to raise more than 10 million dollars!
- ➏ The cost of a freshwater well in Eswatini is \$12,000, serving on average 500 people for at least 40 years.
- ➐ More than 700,000 students across the USA have participated in our events to raise awareness of the global water crisis.
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# KANSAS CITY RESULTS/SHOW AWARDS

## FINALS

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	Express	Troy Buchanan HS	Best Vocals, Best Visual
First Runner Up	Titanium	Papillion La Vista South HS	
Second Runner Up	Trojanaires	Jenks HS	
Third Runner Up	Hillside Singers	Pleasant Hill HS	
Fourth Runner Up	Soundwave	Troy Buchanan HS	

## SINGLE GENDER DIVISION

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	Radiance	Papillion La Vista South HS	
First Runner Up	Powerhouse	Pleasant Hill HS	
Second Runner Up	Hilltop Harmony	Pleasant Hill HS	
Third Runner Up	Treble FX	Oak Park HS	

## CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	Express	Troy Buchanan HS	
First Runner Up	Titanium	Papillion La Vista South HS	
Second Runner Up	Trojanaires	Jenks HS	
Third Runner Up	Hillside Singers	Pleasant Hill HS	

## OPEN DIVISION

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	Soundwave	Troy Buchanan HS	
First Runner Up	Titan Express	Papillion La Vista South HS	
Second Runner Up	Center State	Marquette HS	
Third Runner Up	Hillsound	Pleasant Hill HS	
Fourth Runner Up	Harmony	Green Ridge HS	

# NASHVILLE RESULTS/SHOW AWARDS

## FINALS

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	FC Singers	Franklin Central HS	Best Vocals, Best Visuals
First Runner Up	Encore	Jackson Academy	
Second Runner Up	Synergy	Tupelo HS	
Third Runner Up	High Voltage	Franklin Central HS	
Fourth Runner Up	Choraliers	Edgewood HS	

## CONCERT DIVISION

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	Concert Choir	Franklin Central HS	
First Runner Up	Concert Choir	Edgewood HS	
Second Runner Up	Concert Choir	American Leadership Academy	

## CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	FC Singers	Franklin Central HS	
First Runner Up	Encore	Jackson Academy	
Second Runner Up	Choraliers	Edgewood HS	
Third Runner Up	Evolution	American Leadership Academy	

## SINGLE GENDER DIVISION

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	Synergy	Tupelo HS	
First Runner Up	High Voltage	Franklin Central HS	

## OPEN DIVISION

PLACE	GROUP	SCHOOL	BEST IN SHOW
Grand Champion	Vocal Motion	Bradley Central HS	



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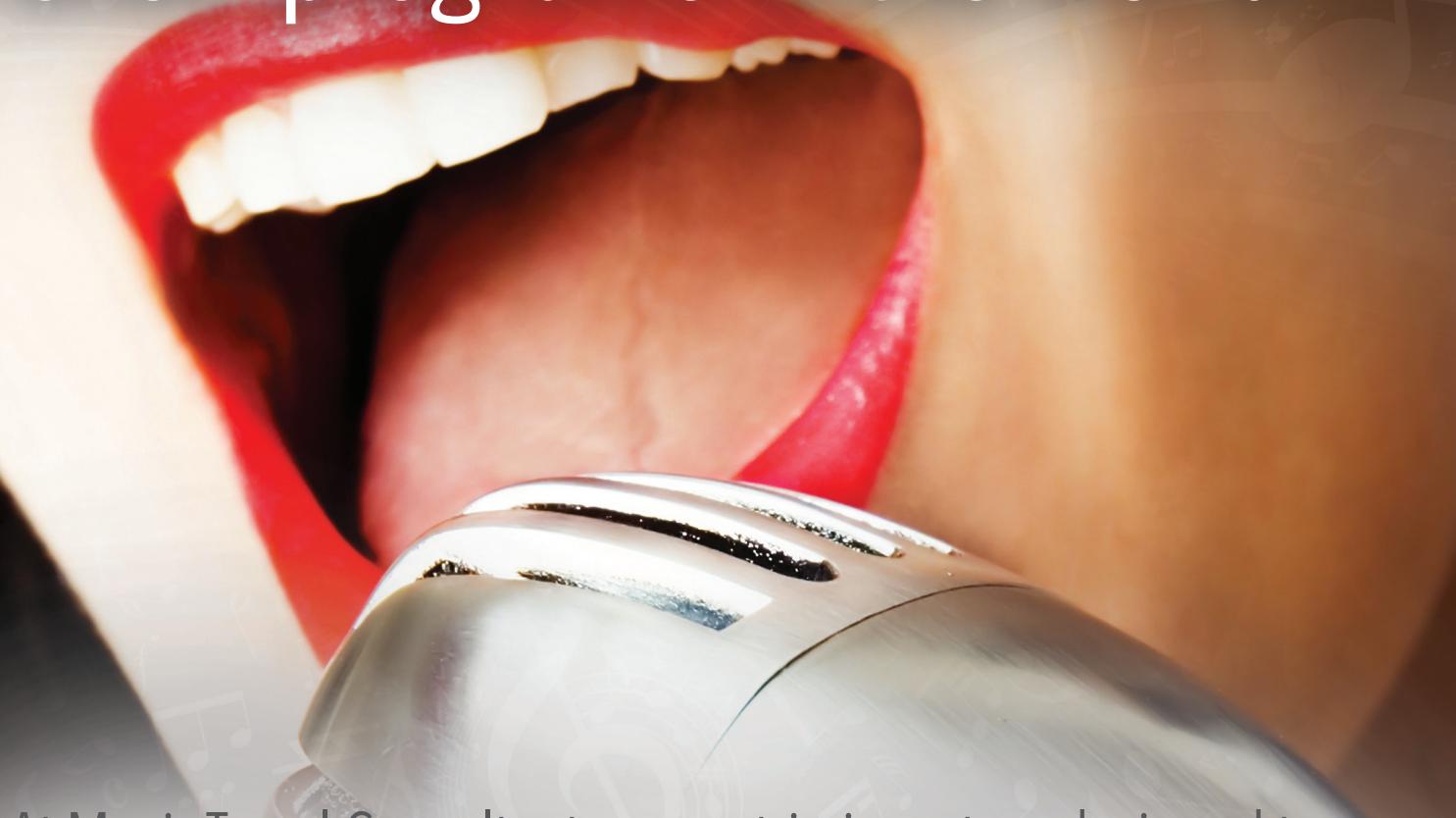
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