

NJYC Harmony Newsletter - May 2018

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Recent Highlights



Primo Coro had a great time at the High Note Festival in Dorney Park on May 18th. Not only did they have fun in the amusement park together, but they earned a "Superior" ranking which came with a trophy! The judges were very impressed with the girls' diction, rhythm, and pretty much everything else. They both agreed that Primo Coro sounded beautiful, and that they would love us to come back. Well done all!

Upcoming NJYC Events

Saturday, June 9

Chatham, NJ

10:15 AM

Primo Coro

Performance at

Fishawack Festival

Monday, June 18

Carnegie Hall, NYC

Coro Vivo

Masterwork Festival

Chorus Concert

You can buy tickets [here](#).

June 24-28

Jacksonville, FL

Sola Voce

Jacksonville Children's

Choir Festival

June 26 - Julv 3

Spring Concert

Those who attended the 2018 NJYC Spring Concert were witness to something very special. Each choir rose to the occasion, performing at their absolute best, and demonstrating how a season of hard work, focus and friendship can transform a group of individuals into one beautiful voice. The combined pieces were a real treat, and the senior song and tributes that followed quite touching. It was truly magical.

Congratulations to all the choristers and directors, thank you to the accompanists and the alum who joined us for *Blessing*, and to our 24 seniors - we wish you all the very best, and hope you can join us for *Blessing* next season!

Videos will be posted as soon as they are available; in the meantime, click on the photo below and enjoy the slideshow.



Camerata Tours Austria

July 1-10

Coriste Tours The UK

One Voice Campaign

NJYC means so much to so many, and we need your support. We are getting closer to our fundraising goal for the year but are still not there. If you have not yet contributed, please click below to do so now.

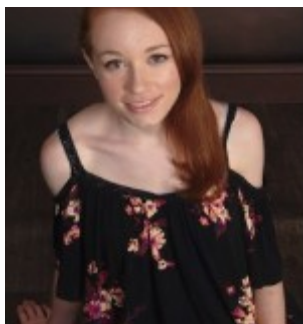
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2018-2019 Auditions

Auditions for new choristers are still available for our 2018-19 Season, but time is running out. Please visit [the auditions page](#) of our website for more information. To print and share the flier, click [here](#).

Senior Spotlight





BRENNA MORAN

How long have you been with NJYC?

I joined New Jersey Youth Chorus in fourth grade, and have been singing with them ever since. This is now my ninth year in the choir.

What is the best thing about being in it?

The best thing about being in NJYC is having the opportunity to create genuine connections through music. When I sing with the choir, I know that I am surrounded by people whose love of music is genuine and sincere. Our time spent rehearsing new music together allows us to explore the complex, emotional meanings behind what others may perceive simply as notes on a paper. We are able to connect through every mistake made and consequent lesson learned, every challenge tackled and new intention discovered. When we perform, we are able to share the love we have found for every piece with an audience, as we experience the profound effect music can have on those whom it impacts. I am so grateful to have been able to create beautiful music and memories with my choir sisters, and to know that our passion for song has brought joy to others.

What is your favorite memory of NJYC?

I won't deny that my memories of singing at the Superbowl, Lincoln Center, ACDA, and numerous other extraordinary performances are amazing, and I will hold them with me forever. However, my favorite memories of NJYC are not associated with specific performances, but the feelings that came from them. I can not describe the emotion that comes with hearing the final chords of Psalm 23 and squeezing a friend's hand as Mrs. Joyce smiles with gratitude and pride. Or the feeling of seeing an audience member mouth the words to a song as tears fall from their eyes. I can not describe the love I feel when music expresses what words can not. All I know is that these memories prove to me that music is my passion, and remind me of the bonds it has allowed me to form.

Do you plan to continue singing after you graduate?

Yesssssss :) I plan to continue to learn and perform new music, and eventually major in vocal performance.

Anything else you'd like to say?

I am so grateful to be a member of New Jersey Youth Chorus. Without it, I would not have met all the beautiful and amazing people in the choir whom I now call my friends. I would not have had the opportunity and privilege to be able to sing at countless performances,

travel to new places, and work with incredible musicians. I would not have been able to connect with audiences from around the world. And I would not have made the innumerable memories I have today, which continue to motivate me to sing. NJYC has truly become a part of who I am, and has helped me find gratitude, hope, and compassion. I can say with absolute certainty that NJYC will never leave me. Even though I am sad to graduate, I know it will always stay with me, and that the people I have met will always hold a place in my heart. Thank you to Mrs. Joyce, for helping me find the joy in music, and for being the most inspiring musician I will ever meet. Thank you to my choir sisters, for making beautiful music with me and being amazing friends. I will always remember NJYC with appreciation and love :))



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