



## **Oregon Children's Choir Young Women's Choir**

### **About the Conductor**

Christopher Olin serves as instructor of choral music education at the University of Oregon. He earned his Master of Music degree in Choral Conducting from the University of Oregon, and a Bachelor of Music Education from the University of Nevada, Reno. Before moving to Oregon, he taught high school choral music in California and received critical acclaim for his choirs at home and on European tours to Italy, Spain, and Greece.

### **About the Young Women's Choir**

The *Young Women's Choir* is for dedicated High School young women who have the commitment and ability to prepare and perform challenging music of all styles. The YWC rehearses every Tuesday evening, occasional Friday evenings or Saturdays, one all day retreat each term, as well as touring for 3-10 days each Spring. They have traveled extensively to various parts of the United States and abroad. In June 2006, they participated in a festival in Soave, Italy. Members of this choir are regularly accepted into the Oregon Bach Festival Youth Choral Academy.

### **Time Commitment and Attendance**

Parents of YWC choristers must attend a mandatory parent meeting that will be held the evening of the first rehearsal.

**Parent Orientation Meeting  
Tuesday, September 15, 2009 from 6:30-7:00 pm  
First United Methodist Church  
1376 Olive, Eugene, OR 97401**

Rehearsals for the 2009-2010 Season begins September 15, 2008.

Choristers must attend all major choir events:

- All rehearsals (no more than 2 absences per term are allowed)
  - Rehearsals for the YWC are Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 pm and one Saturday of every month.
- All Day Fall Retreat with Performance – October 10, 2009
- Holiday Concert – December 12, 2009
- All Day Retreat – January 2010
- Spring Event – March 6, 2010
- All Day Retreat – April 2010
- Finale Concert – May 8, 2010
- Summer Performance Tour – June 2010 (Required)

### **Financial Commitment**

The Oregon Children's Choir is a non-profit organization. Its operating expenses, which include music, conductor's salaries, and rehearsal space, are funded by chorister tuition.

- Tuition for the upcoming season, September through June - \$400
- Choral Uniforms – Formal black choral dresses (approximately \$80)
  - Oregon Young Women's Choir polo shirt - \$15
- Summer Performance Tour – June 2010 (approximately \$850)

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