

A Hidden Treasure in Gwinnett County



Stone Mountain Barbershop Chorus

Barbershop is a uniquely American art form, sprung from the ear-harmonizers or “woodshedders” of turn-of-the-century America.

We are privileged to have one of these groups in Gwinnett County, the Stone Mountain Barbershop Chorus. A local chapter of the Bar-

bershop Harmony Society, the Stone Mountain Chorus currently has 50 active members.

The mission of the Stone Mountain Barbershop Chorus is to preserve the uniquely American art form of singing known as barbershop harmony. They accomplish

this mission through education of their members and the public at large about barbershop harmony; performances for civic, cultural and private audiences and extensive support of charitable projects in the community.

“Barbershop is the most vocally, physically, mentally, emotionally difficult music that I’ve ever performed,” says Drew McMillan – Executive Director Stone Mountain Chorus. “Other musical forms have provided a wonderful experience,” he continued, “but when it all comes together, there’s no more satisfying music to sing.”

If you are a man who enjoys singing, who gets a thrill from entertaining an enthusiastic audience and who thrives on working hard to achieve musical excellence, the Stone Mountain Chorus is just the group that will interest you.

Interested singers are always welcome. For additional information call 770-978-8053 or visit the Stone Mountain Chorus web site at www.stonemountainchorus.org.

The Gwinnett Choral Guild Celebrates 21 Years in the Community

The Gwinnett Choral Guild has been an outstanding part of Gwinnett life and the arts community for 21 years. Today, G. Phillip Shoultz, III serves as Artistic Director and has devoted the past five years to enhancing the Guild’s musical skills and taking the Guild’s choral singing “to the next level.”

Known as “Gwinnett’s community choir,” the Guild performs a wide variety of music. Shoultz strives to vary the styles with each concert to challenge the listening audience as well as the singers. “My goal is for the Gwinnett Choral Guild to be the leader in encouraging cross-cultural music and arts interactions,” explained Shoultz.

The Guild has been successful in extending its influence far beyond this area with performances throughout metro Atlanta, GA, NC, SC, Carnegie Hall in New York City, and St. Petersburg, Russia.

Members of the Guild are brought together from a variety of experiences and cultures in the common bond of the love of choral music.

Being a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, community service is a vital part of the Guild’s mission. The Guild regularly performs at local community festivals, dedications, patriotic and civic events, and charity benefits such as Relay for Life, AID Gwinnett, and Habitat for Humanity.



While the Gwinnett Choral Guild takes a short break during the summer, new singers are encouraged to join when the season begins in August. For more information call (404) 223-9962 or visit www.gwinnettchoralguild.org.