

# International Men's Choir Competition and Gala Concert 2019

Saturday 27 April 2019, Poole Lighthouse, BH15 1UG

**First Prize: £1,000    Second Prize: £500    Third Prize: £250**

**Best individual musical piece: £100**

**The day will commence at 10am, with the first competition performance and the gala concert will end at approximately 10.30pm**

## Competition rules

Competing choirs must have been formed before 1 May 2018 (and must be able, if asked, to substantiate that).

Members of competing choirs must be at least 16 years old on 27 April 2019.

Competing choirs consist of no less than 16 Singers.

All members of a choir, except the conductor and accompanist, must be amateurs (i.e. people who do not earn their livelihood as singers).

No person may compete as a member of more than one choir.

The Competition will have no more than 12 competing choirs.

Adjudicators' decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into regarding any aspect of their deliberations.

All mark and comments sheets will be made available to choirs after the Festival.

## Competition Repertoire

Repertoire for the competition is at the discretion of Musical Directors. There is no set piece.

The competition programme must not exceed 12 minutes. Marks will be deducted where time is not used effectively.

The programme must contain at least one unaccompanied piece.

The adjudicators will assess and allocate marks on performance quality, technical difficulty, the variety of musical styles included in the programme and range of period from which the music is selected. Choirs should consider including works by contemporary composers. Adjudicators will also consider the success of the choir's repertoire in terms how well the choir communicates with the audience.

## Music Copies

Three copies of each item sung in competition must be forwarded to the Festival Office for use by the panel no later than 26 April 2019. Photocopies will only be accepted when accompanied by the full, written authority of the copyright holder.

## Entry fee

£1 (One pound) per chorister

**Local Friday or Sunday concerts can be arranged-please let us know as soon as possible if you would like to take this up.**

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