

MasterLine

periodic news from the masters of harmony

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"Medal Madness" show to thrill audiences at the Terrace

Thrill to the sounds of the **Masters of Harmony** as the six-time international champion chorus, under the direction of **Mark Hale**, debuts an array of new musical selections guaranteed to radiate joy and enthusiasm from the opening curtain. The 2006 Spring Show will feature a spectacular line-up of chorus and quartet champions and stirring performances that promise to make this event the "Best Show of the Year!" Don't miss this unusual gathering of champions...

Realtime, 2005 International Quartet Champion
Harborlites, 2005 Sweet Adelines International Chorus Champion
... plus cameo appearances by the **Westminster Chorus**, **OC Times** and **Hi-Fidelity**.

Saturday, April 29, 2006

Terrace Theatre, 300 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach
Performances: 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Golden Circle (Premium): \$35 **[SOLD OUT]**
Non-premium Orch and Loge: \$30
Discounts available for groups of 20 or more.

For tickets or inquiries, call (562) 699-2496 or send e-mail to tickets@mastersofharmony.org.

Indianapolis awaits Barbershop Society at 2006 International Convention



When the Barbershop Harmony Society convenes in Indianapolis, July 2 to 9, the competitive spirit of that city will take on a new tone—the ringing tones of barbershop harmony. Some 9,000 barbershop singers will gather in Indianapolis for the 68th Annual International Convention and Contests for the Barbershop Harmony Society.

Indianapolis, home of the celebrated Indy 500, has long been a Mecca for those with the competitive spirit and unbridled enthusiasm. Maybe that's why the Barbershop Harmony Society is returning for its third convention in Indy. Somehow the city's legacy of competition, energy, brotherhood, and all-out fun fits perfectly with our agenda.

All the convention favorites will be back:

- The **Harmony Foundation Show**, a benefit for the charitable arm of the Barbershop Harmony Society which raises funds to further music education in the close harmony style.
- The **Association of International Champions Show** featuring some of your favorite champ quartets.

- The **World Harmony Jamboree** showcasing the best men's and women's barbershop ensembles from around the globe.
- The **Gospel Sing**, extending an open invitation for everyone to share in the joy of singing.
- **Sing with the Champs**, offering the chance to listen to and sing with champion quartets and raise funds for Harmony Foundation at the same time.
- **Mixed Harmony Showcase** with men and women blending their voices in concert. Along with all the performances and concerts, members have the chance to attend master classes and educational seminars. Some of the Society's top coaches and instructors will share their insight, tips, experiences and guidance in a variety of subjects.

But the convention highlight that always gets everyone's engine revving is the quest for the medal. Fifty of the best barbershop quartets and 30 of the world's top choruses will be competing for the highly coveted International Gold Medal, including the next generation of barbershop singers vying for the MBNA America Collegiate Barbershop Quartet Contest Gold Medal. The race will be on when the quartet quarterfinals begin on Wednesday and the suspense won't end until the checkered flag drops on the gold medal winners on Saturday night.



Don't miss three appearances by the **Masters of Harmony**:

Thursday, July 6

Master Class, The Westin Indianapolis

Friday, July 7

Outgoing champion's performance (swan song) following International Chorus Contest, Conseco Fieldhouse

Saturday, July 8

World Harmony Jamboree, Murat Centre

Due to popular demand the convention will officially begin again with an exciting opening ceremony and will continue with an assortment of other surprises.

For registration details and a complete schedule of events, check <www.barbershop.org>.

Masters of Harmony to appear in North San Diego County

Sunday, October 1, 2006

Moonlight Amphitheatre

Brengle Terrace Park

1200 Vale Terrace, Vista, California

Performance: 4 p.m.

(Details to follow in subsequent issues)

We're looking for a few good men who love to sing

Auditions are now being held for new singers to join the 100-voice **Masters of Harmony**. To qualify for membership, you need to demonstrate that you can sing on key, harmonize, and do some basic choreographic moves. Reading music helps, but it's not necessary. The process is easy and fun; the singing is divine. It is probably why we have won six consecutive international chorus championships. But we're a chorus, not soloists; amateurs, not professionals. If you've done any high school or church singing in your life, you may well have what it takes to sing with us.

Join us now! Become a better singer and performer. Learn from top-notch directors and coaches how to develop better singing skills, vocal production, listening ability and showmanship. Take your place on the risers with men of all ages, from all walks of life. Our ranks include CEOs, doctors, attorneys, engineers, teachers, police officers, salesmen, computer operators, students, retirees, and others who live throughout Southern California from San Diego to Santa Barbara. What we have in common is our love of four-part harmony, performed at the highest quality level, and the desire to share our music with others.

We rehearse every Wednesday from 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Town Center Hall, 11740 E. Telegraph Rd., Santa Fe Springs (just one-half mile east of the 605 Freeway).

Visitors are always welcome. If you are interested in seeking membership, need a ride to your first meeting or want to learn more about the Masters of Harmony, please contact **Les Weiser** at (818) 552-3526 or send inquiries to membership@mastersofharmony.org.

