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Belfast Philharmonic

Choir

**Belfast Philharmonic Choir
seeks singers for an
exciting new season
of choral music**



Christopher Bell

Chorus Master Christopher Bell is considered one of the UK's leading choral directors.

Originally from Belfast, Christopher is Chorus Director of the professional Grant Park Chorus in Chicago USA, Chorus Master of the Edinburgh Festival Chorus and the RSNO Junior Chorus in Scotland, and is Artistic Director of the National Youth Choir of Scotland.

Christopher has an energetic style and rehearsals are a stimulating and exhilarating experience.



Members' Comments

- *'Each rehearsal goes past in a flash. Lots of hard work but very enjoyable.'*
- *'Carmina Burana' in March 2008 was the most wonderful experience. It is probably the best concert the Phil has ever done. More like this please.'*
- *'Where else would I get the chance to sing this type of music with a professional orchestra?'*

Concerts

This season's programme includes

Ennio Morricone Belfast Festival @Queen's Opening Concert	Friday and Saturday 17 & 18 October 2008	Waterfront Hall
Beethoven Mass in C Ulster Orchestra	Friday 21 November 2008	Waterfront Hall
Handel Messiah Ulster Orchestra	Friday and Saturday 12 & 13 December 2008	Waterfront Hall
Mad, Bad and Dangerous Ulster Orchestra	23 January 2009	Waterfront Hall
Opening of Ulster Hall Ulster Orchestra	6 March 2009	Ulster Hall
Haydn Creation Ulster Orchestra	Friday and Saturday 3 & 4 April 2009	Ulster Hall
Berlioz Te Deum with Edinburgh Royal Choral Union	30 May 2009	Usher Hall Edinburgh

Rehearsals

The choir meets from 7.30 – 9.45 pm each Wednesday evening from September to May in St Bride's Hall, Derryvolgie Avenue, Malone Road, Belfast.

Recruitment

We are looking for singers in all sections: Sopranos, Altos, Tenors and Basses. Members are selected by audition.

Open Rehearsal Wednesday 3 September 2008

An opportunity to come and enjoy an evening's rehearsal and decide if you would like to audition.

Auditions

Prospective members are asked to sing a song of their own choice and, if they have been singing in a choir, their line from a choral piece they have sung recently. There will be a voice range test and maybe sight-reading.

Singing Lessons

Singing lessons are available to members on some rehearsal evenings.

Membership Fee

There is an annual membership subscription for all members of the choir. For the 2008/2009 season this will be £80 for full members and £40 for students. School pupils over 16 years old are welcome and the fee is £15.

For further information

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