

Adult Choirs

SECOND CHANTS is a **non-auditioned** choir. This dynamic group of almost 60 men and women come together weekly for fun, friendship and music making. Incorporating choreography and theatre arts into their performances, a highlight of their season is their much-anticipated year-end show: an entertaining showcase for family, friends and adoring fans.

ENCORE is a group of auditioned and experienced singers ages 25 and up. Experience a challenging repertoire of familiar choral styles, as well as new favourites and even custom arrangements! Highlights are singing with friends, socializing with a musical peer group, seasonal performances, musical get-aways.

Touring Program

Touring is an exciting and rewarding opportunity for our singers (JUNIOR HI and up). Touring offers life-changing experiences and life-long memories. The learning that takes place extends far beyond the performance education that it affords.

To date, Youth Singers have travelled to over 20 countries, including Australia, Japan, Europe, China, South America, & throughout the United States and Canada. International tours occur once every four years, with continental North American tours occurring the years in between.

Our next International Tour will be:
Croatia, Spain, and Italy: summer 2019.



JUNIOR HI Tour—California

KIDS & MUSIC

Pre-K to Grade 2

K&M is a quality music program with a child-centred approach led by professionally trained instructors. The focus of K&M is to nurture a love of music and movement, celebrate progress, and learn, all while having fun! Classes feature a healthy balance of movement and age-appropriate music.

Grade 3 to Young Adult

SING! DANCE! ACT! The ultimate triple – threat programming for ages 8 and up.

KIDAZZLE—Grade 3
KIDZXPRESS—Grades 4-6
JUNIOR HI—Grades 7-9
SENIOR HI—Grades 10-12
ACT3—Post Secondary / Career

Featuring a leading-edge professional curriculum, musical repertoire ranges from classical choral, to rock, to your favorite musical theatre numbers. Learn important teamwork and leadership skills, make new friends, gain confidence, and find your new home-away-from-home.

YSC has upwards of 500 singers participate in up to 100 performances each year. There are also regional and international touring opportunities for those in grade 7 and above. **But wait, there's more!** Students in the SENIOR HI division can even earn Alberta Education High School credits to put towards their graduation requirements.



STAR & STAR Young Adult

(Special Talents in Arts & Recreation)

STAR is an interactive experience that allows youth and young adults with cognitive delays to participate in the performing arts. A tailored program, STAR uses voice, movement, and instruments to foster a love of music and dance in a safe, stimulating, and fun environment.

STAR encourages and allows young people to grow, gain confidence, build friendships, and develop an appreciation for the performing arts.

Camps & PD Days

Summer Camps

These week-long summer camps run periodically throughout the summer. Kids Grades 1-8 will spend the week singing, dancing, and acting under highly trained instructors. Campers get to participate in a live recording session and present a mini-musical theater showcase at the end of each week.

PD Day Off Camps

A performing arts-based **PD day program** for students in Grade 1-6. Every **Day Off** is different — come to one, or come to all. You'll participate in different workshops, learn new skills, sing different songs, learn some new dance moves, and expand your theatre arts knowledge.

I grew up a lot over the years I was apart of the Youth Singers of Calgary. I learned a lot about life, friendship, passion, and myself.
- Sydney

Semi-Professional

(Auditioned)

ONCUE is highly-acclaimed A Cappella ensemble. Featuring smooth harmonies and contemporary arrangements, their diverse, high-caliber and versatile repertoire has won multiple invitations to perform at the Canadian choral conference Podium and they have won the Audience Favorite Award at Northern Harmony three times. They have released four CDs to date and perform year round.

SHINE is a semi-professional song and dance ensemble. A dynamic and energetic group of young adults, SHINE presents the best of the best in Broadway, Pop, Rock, Gospel, and more! Incorporating choreography into every high-energy performance, they know how to put on an exciting show that will leave the audience cheering for more!

Book Us!

Both ONCUE and SHINE are available for hire. Corporate events, private parties, Christmas caroling... we're got you covered.

Invest In Youth

Youth Singers is a not-for-profit, charitable organization! Fundraising comprises 53% of our revenue, so we rely on the generosity of enthusiasts like you to ensure YSC maintains excellent programs and is within reach for everyone in our community.

We never want finances to be a barrier for participating in the Youth Singers. Through our bursary program, YSC is able to provide financial assistance to those families in need.

Consider making a gift to YSC today. Visit YouthSingers.org to find out more.

About YSC

The Youth Singers of Calgary (YSC) is one of Calgary's largest, not-for-profit, volunteer based performing arts companies.



Founded in 1985, YSC is an organization built on the belief that every person should have the opportunity to enrich their lives through the performing arts.

The YSC program nourishes and celebrates the whole person and builds a strong sense of citizenship and pride in our community. We look forward to the many rewards and memories this experience will afford to all its participants and their families.

Shirley Penner,
Founder & CEO

Youth Singers helps you grow as a person, not just a performer. The bonds and friendships that you develop over one year are incredible!

Everybody is so supportive and encouraging, and it makes you feel like a million dollars every time you step into the room.

– Stephanie B. (Alumni)



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Youth Singers of Calgary



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Youth Singers is many groups... kids, teens, adults. We are a city-wide arts organization where anyone who has the fire inside to be a performer is welcome. We are a safe, inclusive place to meet friends, have fun, and explore your talent. We are your next step to discovering yourself through music and the performing arts.



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Our Program

Youth Singers is an exceptional extracurricular performing arts company providing a comprehensive choral, dance, and theatre arts education.



Featuring **15 divisions**, YSC enriches the lives of thousands of young people and their families. Our performers appear at upwards of a hundred events every year, travel extensively worldwide, record, and often accompany top entertainers.

The YSC team, headed by **Artistic Director Tricia Penner**, is comprised of over 50 highly qualified and talented educators, directors, arrangers, composers, choreographers, and dramatists.

Mission

Youth Singers fosters the development of human potential and a lifelong interest in the performing arts through music; singing, dancing and acting.

From early childhood through adulthood, we offer a comprehensive education and performance program in a diverse array of musical styles.

Vision

To create a better community by giving young people opportunities to grow and express themselves through the performing arts.

Values

- ◆ To provide learning & leadership opportunities for young people
- ◆ To provide an innovative & creative experience for young people to reach their full potential
- ◆ To recognize that our most valuable resource is all of us, working together with integrity and respect
- ◆ To manage our resources in a prudent and enterprising manner
- ◆ To ensure our program is accessible