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Do you conduct a choir?

Experienced, some experience, beginner? *Circle one.*

Please describe your choir e.g. choral society, childrens', church, youth, female/male voice, gospel, chamber, or other.

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Fee: for the whole project: £85

Concessions: full-time student or unwaged: £65

Schools, colleges, choirs and authorities may offer financial assistance and you are urged to enquire.

I enclose a cheque for £..... payable to the Association of British Choral Directors.

Please detach this page, or photocopy it, and return it with your cheque to:

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Forms should be returned by 6 February 2010

If you have queries, please contact Roger Crowther (above) or Howard Layfield.
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There are hundreds of choirs of all kinds in the north
This project is for those who lead them

LEAD THE CHOIR

13 March
17 April and
24 April 2010

Do you conduct a choir, or lead the singing in any kind of choral group?

Whether experienced or a beginner this is for you.



THE SIR JAMES KNOTT TRUST

See inside!

Has choral singing ever enjoyed so much public

interest? Choir of the Year, Unsung Town, Boys Don't Sing, Last Choir Standing and the Sing Up scheme have all played their part.

This project is in three parts:

- attend a **rehearsal** of the Northern Sinfonia Chorus, with Simon Halsey, on Saturday 13 March 2010, from 16.00 to 21.00, at The Sage Gateshead.
- take part in a **one-day workshop** at Gateshead Old Town Hall with Peter Broadbent and Keith Orrell on Saturday 17 April 2010 from 10.00 to 17.00
- attend a **concert** of the Northern Sinfonia Chorus and Orchestra, conducted by Simon Halsey, at 19.30 on 24 April 2010 at The Sage Gateshead, to include the Requiem by Durufle and Eternal Light by Howard Goodall, rehearsed at the first session.

Is this for you? Yes, if you conduct any kind of choir, or intend to do so in the future.

What is the plan? At the first session Simon Halsey will explain what he intends to do in the rehearsal, and will discuss and answer questions.

At the workshop you will be placed in one of two groups, joining others of similar experience.

Experienced? Further development of your skills and your knowledge of choral conducting.

Less experienced? Explore the essentials – vocal basics, preparation, communication and gesture.

Both groups will have a small choir and an accompanist on hand to assist with demonstration and practice. You will have the opportunity to conduct music chosen from a list provided in advance.

When you have enrolled we will reply with programme details and a short list of music which we shall ask you to buy, or borrow, and prepare before the workshop.

Background notes

Simon Halsey Principal Conductor, Choral Programme at The Sage Gateshead; Director of City of Birmingham Symphony Chorus and Youth Choir; conductor, Berlin Radio Choir; International Chair in choral conducting, Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama.

Peter Broadbent Conductor, The Joyful Company of Singers. Adjudicator, tutor and conductor of professional and amateur choirs and orchestras in the UK and overseas. Holder of Pro Cultura Hungarica Award. Director of the *abcd* Training Unit.

Keith Orrell Conductor, Liverpool Welsh Choral Union, Vocal Projects Leader for Borough of Wigan. Conductor, William Byrd Singers, Manchester. Church organist and choirmaster. *abcd* tutor.

Association of British Choral Directors *abcd* is the only UK organisation devoted entirely to those leading choral music, both amateur and professional, providing opportunities for the development of all those leading singing, in any environment. It runs courses and seminars and publishes the journal, *Mastersinger*. It works closely with other national organisations and is a Sing Up Flagship for 2008-10.

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