



Founded in 1969, the Choir has achieved a reputation as a leading A cappella ensemble and a choir that has appeared with all the leading orchestras of Israel.

The 30 singers of the Jerusalem Academy Chamber Choir are talented students, from all over Israel, who study full time at the Vocal Department of the Academy.

Maestro Prof. Stanley Sperber, who has conducted the choir for 28 seasons, teaches both choral and orchestral conducting at the Academy, has been on the faculty since 1973. He has developed an entire generation of Israeli conductors who are making a name for themselves in Israel and abroad. In addition to his numerous musical activities in Israel he has conducted many of the leading European and American orchestras.

Performances in Israel

The 2011-2012 season is a typical concert season for the Chamber Choir.

During this period the Choir performs 18 times at different concerts throughout Israel. These include appearances at the Academy concert series, a Gala concert at the Israel Festival, the Abu Gosh Shavuot Choral Festival, the Zimriyah Choral Festival, the Kiriyyat Motzkin Concert Series, a performance at the Jerusalem Theatre (broadcast live on radio), the Open University series and many others. During the season the Choir performs under the baton of Gil Shohat, with the Rishon Letzion Orchestra, and the Israel Chamber Orchestra conducted by the world renowned American conductor, John Nelson.

Performances Abroad

The Choir has performed worldwide. In 2009 it toured major cities on the U.S. East Coast. In 2011 the Choir traveled to Germany and participated in the International Choral Competition in Marktoberdorf. It also sang in a joint concert in Munich with the "Ensemble Vokal Munchen" and became the first Israeli choir to appear at the Dachau concentration camp.

Recordings

The choir released a CD featuring the highlights of its performances.

Various videos are available on YouTube.

The Need

The 30 talented vocal students chosen for the Choir are full time students who generally find jobs to fund their living expenses and studies. Participation in the choir encroaches on their limited time. Providing each singer with a modest scholarship of \$2,000 annually will help alleviate the financial burden.

Donation Requested

An annual donation of \$60,000 for 5 years. The name designated by the donor will be recognized on all JAMD and Choir's publications, websites, programs, performances, etc.

The Jerusalem Academy of Music and Dance

The Jerusalem Academy of Music and Dance (JAMD) is Israel's premiere academic institution in the fields of creation, performance and the teaching of music and dance. It offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in both music and dance. The Academy strives for excellence in artistic expression and has become a world-renowned academic institution. Its graduates and faculty members are among Israel's leading musicians and dancers, contributing to the local cultural scene and representing the country internationally.



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