

ABOUT THE CHOIRS



Young Artists

Directed by Craig Hurley
Accompanist, Marcena Kinney

Founded in the fall of 2002, the Spivey Hall Young Artists features 60 students ages 10 through 13.

Under the direction of Craig Hurley, this preparatory choir performs a wide range of repertoire and equips singers with the skills they need to participate in the Spivey Hall Children's Choir. Additionally, the singers progress during the year in both sight reading and music theory with each student encouraged to reach their own personal best.

Auditioning to move into the Children's Choir reveals the skills they have acquired while in the Young Artists program. This ensemble performs one concert in December and one concert in May.



Children's Choir

Directed by Martha Shaw
Asst. Director/Accompanist, Judy Mason

The Spivey Hall Children's Choir is the original, and largest, ensemble of the program, featuring approximately 120 singers ages 10 to 18. Their instruction and training includes more difficult sight reading and music theory as well as vocal pedagogy. This ensemble includes non-touring and Tour Choir members. They perform six concerts each year; three in December and three in May.

Members of the Children's Choir are encouraged but not required to audition for the Tour Choir.



Tour Choir

Directed by Martha Shaw

Asst. Director/Accompanist, Judy Mason

This 50 member select ensemble is a part of the Children's Choir. Auditioning for this group requires spending at least one year in the Children's Choir and having a higher level of mastery in the areas of sight reading, music theory, and vocal technique. Tour Choir demands an increased time and financial commitment due to a more extensive rehearsal and performance schedule that includes an annual summer tour. This ensemble performs six concerts in Spivey Hall with the Children's Choir as well as locally and regionally. The schedule varies annually.

As cultural ambassadors of the state of Georgia, Clayton State University and Spivey Hall the Tour Choir has performed to acclaim throughout the United States on tour and at national and regional music conferences. They have traveled internationally to Canada, Sweden, Norway, England, Austria, the Czech Republic, China, Scotland, Spain, and Italy.