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JERRY JORDAN Guest Clinician for High School Invitational Choral Festival

Jerry Jordan is Director of Choral Activities at the University of Mississippi. After receiving the BMEd degree with honors from Florida State University, he taught choral music for six years at elementary, junior high, and senior high school levels in Columbus, Georgia. His advanced studies include the MS and EdD degrees from the University of Illinois and additional study at Indiana University, Westminster Choir College, and Juilliard School. Before joining the University of Mississippi faculty, he taught at the University of Illinois where he conducted the Repertory Choir and the University Chamber Ensemble, and served as Coordinator of Choral Music Education. Dr. Jordan has conducted clinics, festivals, and summer music groups throughout the South and Midwest. Choirs under his direction have been invited to perform at state, regional, and national conventions of the American Choral Directors Association.

Under Dr. Jordan's direction, the Ole Miss Concert Singers toured Great Britain in 1984, marking the third subsidized European tour by the Concert Singers in the past four years. While in England they won the choral competition at the Chester Music Festival from among forty-seven choirs representing five countries. The Concert Singers performed last May in New York City at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and at Lincoln Center with the American Symphony Orchestra. They were invited as one of ten choirs from across the United States after a strenuous audition process. The city of Tours, France, has awarded the Concert Singers a \$4500.00 grant to perform in the International Competition of Choirs to be held in Tours this summer. Having been the only United States Choir to participate, they will be in competition with choirs from every country in western and eastern Europe.



It is easier to understand a nation by listening to its music than by learning its language.

(Anonymous)

ANN JONES is New President Elect

Ann Howard Jones was elected during Fall balloting to serve as president-elect of the Georgia ACDA Chapter. In July 1985 Michael Anderson resigned as president of the chapter in order to pursue doctoral studies at the University of Colorado. Upon his resignation, the duties of president were assumed by president-elect Beth Brown. As a result of these moves, a vacancy was created in the office of president-elect.

Dr. Jones assumed her position as Assistant Dean of Community Life and Director of Choral Activities at Oglethorpe University in Atlanta in August 1985. She holds the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Iowa. She has conducted all-state and festival choruses in Georgia, Virginia, Iowa, Nebraska, Kentucky, New Mexico, and Alabama. Dr. Jones is in demand as a leader of seminars and workshops on vocal and choral techniques, conducting, style, and performance practice. She is a member of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus and Chamber Chorus where she is rehearsal assistant to Robert Shaw.

High School Invitational Choral Festival

The Georgia ACDA Chapter will sponsor a high school invitational choral festival on Saturday, May 3, at Clayton Junior College. The festival is open to all public and private high school choral ensembles. A maximum of five choirs will be selected through audition to participate. Each choir selected will perform a fifteen minute program which will be followed by a fifteen minute clinic by Jerry Jordan, guest clinician.

To be considered for the Georgia ACDA High School Invitational Choral Festival, each choir must submit an application form and a cassette tape representing performances by the choir during each of the past three years. The selections should be of contrasting styles. All directors of selected choirs must be members of ACDA.

A registration fee of \$3.00 per singer will be charged.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The state convention was a wonderful success. Thanks to all who made it possible. The choirs were superb. The interest sessions were informative. The reading sessions provided standard and new literature. It was a great day for self-renewal. Special thanks to Kathy VanderBerg for hosting. The smoothness of the day is to her credit.

We are looking towards moving our state convention to the summer. The convention could be expanded and have the possibility of offering college credit. Ann Jones, our new state president-elect, is working on this project. I am sure she would welcome your ideas and suggestions.

The session on Quality Based Education was packed and I was very pleased at the interest. It is most important that we be informed of this and all legislation that will affect music education. So often we are partially informed and discuss the fears and concerns with others who are also partially informed. Our concerns for music education in the schools must be shared with parents, administrators, other musicians, and other educators. We must be careful not to talk from ivory tower to ivory tower. If we discuss and complain among ourselves we will not succeed in promoting music education. A positive approach and an appeal for support must go out to the community. Parent groups are of unequalled importance. They have their children in mind first. Talk, sing, promote choral music. Drum up support in the *real* world.

Best wishes for a successful and happy year.

Beth Brown

Atlanta Show Choir Workshop

The 1986 Atlanta Show Choir Workshop will be held at Georgia State University, July 14-18. The week-long workshop will offer students and teachers the opportunity to develop vocal and dance skills, to become acquainted with new choral literature, and to understand the role of popular music and choreography in the school music curriculum.

Guest artists and faculty will include JOHN JACOBSON, featured singer, dancer, choreographer, and show designer for Walt Disney Productions; JOAN WALTON, accomplished singer, dancer, pianist, and clinician at major workshops throughout the country; JAMES KIMMEL, Vice-President-Choral Marketing at Jenson Publications; and JOHN HABERLEN, Director of Choral Activities at Georgia State University. HARRIS WHEELER and KATHY VANDERBERG will also be featured along with other local clinicians.

Special interest sessions include Basic Choreography, Vocal Jazz Techniques, Use of Sound Equipment and Lighting, How to Audition for a Theme Park, and How to Program a Show. High school students who attend the workshop will learn eight to twelve choreographed musical selections. The songs will be presented at an informal concert at the conclusion of the week.

For additional information and applications, contact Dr. John Haberlen, School of Music, Georgia State University, Atlanta 30303 (phone 404/658-3676).

Education is a journey, not a destination.

APPLICATION FOR GEORGIA ACDA CHAPTER HIGH SCHOOL INVITATIONAL CHOIR FESTIVAL

Ensemble Name: _____

School Name: _____

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Director's Name: _____

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If you wish to have your tape returned, please send a self-addressed stamped mailing envelope.

Intercollegiate Choral Festival

Michael Schwartzkopf, Chairperson of the College and University Standing Committee, has announced that planning is underway for the 1986-87 Intercollegiate Choral Festival. He solicits suggestions regarding dates and format, as well as volunteers to serve on the planning committee.

Because of the diversity and inconsistency of college calendars throughout the state, it is difficult to schedule a date that is acceptable for all colleges. February and early April are presently being considered as possible dates. Please send responses and recommendations to Dr. Michael Schwartzkopf, Department of Music, Mercer University, Macon 31207, phone 912/744-2748 (office) or 912/474-0446 (home).

Junior College Choral Festival Termed a Success

The first annual Georgia ACDA Junior College Choral Festival was termed a great success by the participants. The festival was held at North Georgia College in Dahlonega on November 16. Participating in the festival were Young Harris College, Gainesville Junior College, Reinhardt College, Atlanta Junior College, and North Georgia College. Individual choral groups presented short programs and all singers joined together for a massed performance of "Gloria" from Vivaldi's GLORIA and Dawson's "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" under the direction of David Barnett of North Georgia College. The opportunity to listen to and perform with other junior college choral groups was very positively received by both students and directors.

November 17, 1986, has been tentatively selected as the date for the 86-87 festival. For further information contact Dr. David Barnett, Music Coordinator, North Georgia College, Dahlonega 30596 (404/864-3391).

High School Invitational

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Choral directors wishing to observe the festival will pay a \$10.00 registration fee. APPLICATION POST-MARK DEADLINE: March 20, 1986. For further information contact Janice Folsom, Fayette County High School, Fayetteville, GA 30214, (404) 461-2254 (office), (404) 478-1228 (home). An application form appears elsewhere in this newsletter.

State Convention to be Held in July

July 29 and 30 have been chosen as dates for the 1986 state ACDA convention. The convention will be held at Grace United Methodist Church in Atlanta and will immediately follow Celebration II, a music reading clinic and workshop presented by Hinshaw Music Publishing Company.

The convention will begin on Tuesday following the completion of the Hinshaw event and will run through mid-day on Wednesday, enabling participants responsible for Wednesday evening church choir rehearsals to attend. Specific information concerning clinicians, performing groups, and interest sessions will be announced at a later date. Ann Jones, President-Elect, is serving as organizing chairperson for the convention.

Solo Vocal Competition and Master Class to be Held at Gordon Junior College

Gordon Junior College will sponsor a solo vocal competition and master class for high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors on March 7 and 8. Adjudicators for the competition will be Irene Calloway and Peter Harrower of Atlanta. Miss Calloway will also serve as guest clinician for the master class. The competition and master class will be held on the campus which is located in Barnesville, approximately fifty miles south of Atlanta. There is no registration fee.

For additional information contact Edwin Calloway, Instructor of Music, Gordon Junior College, Barnesville 30204 (phone 404/358-1700, ext. 216).

GEORGIA ACDA CALENDAR

March	Music in Our Schools Month (Sponsored by Music Educators National Conference)
March 18	World's Largest Concert (MIOSM event sponsored by MENC)
May 3	GA ACDA High School Invitational Choral Festival Clayton Junior College, Jonesboro
May 3	Meeting of GA ACDA Board of Directors
May 8-9	GMEA All-State Choruses, Savannah
July 29-30	Georgia ACDA STATE CONVENTION Grace United Methodist Church, Atlanta

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