



PALM SPRINGS GAY MEN'S CHORUS



Cruzin'

Haight-Ashbury to Woodstock

April 6-8, 2018

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Principal Accompanist: Joel Baker



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome...I hope you are ready to feel "groovy" and sing along with "Cruzin'." The Summer of Love, Haight-Ashbury, Woodstock and some of the music of the 60s and 70s bring back feelings of renewed freedoms and new beginnings in an era of real change for our Country. I know like many of you, I remember the "Love Buses" tooling around and blaring music of love, passion, redemption, protest and peace. Music has always been an outlet for people to express themselves. Freedoms are being questioned, civil rights continue to be fought for and we all just want to get along again as we work together to achieve that ultimate dream of acceptance for everyone. Our Chorus continues to support these ideals through our music and community outreach.



We recently performed at the La Quinta Arts Festival, "Sunday Sounds" for the Friends of the Palm Desert Library, Cathedral City's LGBT Days and the Woman's Club of Indio to an enthusiastic crowd of 350! It was huge honor to sing for "March For Our Lives" with Palm Springs High School, which helps support students in their fight for school safety.

Our 2017-18 season, has been fantastic so far, with all 3 of our Holiday concerts SOLD OUT! We have YOU, our patrons to thank. Your continued support allows us to entertain you, while reaching out to our community and educating our youth on the importance of establishing anti-bullying campaigns in our schools. As I speak on behalf of PSGMC in our public schools, I begin with a quote by St. Augustine, "Wrong is wrong even if everybody is doing it. Right is right, even if nobody is doing it."

Our Chorus is now over 100 voices strong as they reach out and stand up for who they are and for the love of the music they sing. On behalf of our Board of Directors, we thank each of them and each of you for being here. As I end my time as board President, I can truly say that it has been one of the highlights of my life. I want to thank our outstanding Board of Directors, Artistic Director and chorus members along with our devoted volunteers for embracing me and allowing me to lead. I want to thank each of you for continuing to support this "Chorus Like No Other."

"Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and life to everything." — Plato

Carole Bailey, President
Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus

MISSION STATEMENT

To be a chorus of gay men who, through musical excellence, community outreach and civic responsibility, are dedicated to entertaining, inspiring, and educating the culturally diverse community in which we live.

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Douglas C. Wilson (2012), *Artistic Director*

Joel Baker (2013), *Principal Accompanist*

TENOR 1

Steve Baker (2010)
Andy Barborak (1998)
Paul Brawner (2014)
Bruce Chartier (2014)
James Clossin (2012)
Asa DeMatteo (2015)
Simeon Den (2015)
Frank Duncan (2017)
Joel Fleisher (2018)
Charles Gallagher (2016)
Jeff Kopasz (2016)
Alan McPhail +(2012)
Joe Musser (2016)
Lou Naney (2017)
John Reece (2010)
David Sanchez *(2012)
Ernie Santora (1998)
JB Tennesen (2015)
Erik Zellers (2013)

TENOR 2

Rick Beanes (2014)
Andrew Bird (2016)
Les Brown (2017)
Matt Burkholz (2014)
Bill Butler (2011)
Jerry Chism (1998)
Nick Clark (2016)
Joe Dahman (2006)
John Devereaux-Crockett, Jr #(2013)
Henry Doering (2016)
Tommy Estrada #(2016)
Ted Fox (2015)
Jeff Hocker (2013)
Bob Hogg #(2012)
Ben Irvin (2017)
Bruce Kenyon +(2011)
Danny Kopelson (2015)
Mitch Laks (2018)
Skip Lang (2013)
Alan Lawrence (2017)
Jim Lawrence #(2007)
Philip Martin (2002)
Rick Mauery *(2014)
Robert McCourry (2013)
Michael McKeenhen #(2014)

Al Meritt (2010)
Jerald Miller (2017)
Dennis Pearce (2017)
Tom Reinberg #(2013)
Sheldon Safir (2017)
Mark Wilson (2015)
Dan Witko #(2017)
Ted Zepeda (2016)

BARITONE

Brent Apt (2018)
Neil Badham (2012)
William Bordonaro (2016)
Paul D. Cain (2012)
Iain Campbell (2014)
Sean Carson-Hull (2017)
Mike Clough #(2016)
Vincent D'Anna (2014)
Joe De Hoyos #(2015)
Jon Fernald (2015)
Scott Foreman (2018)
Douglas Furness #(2015)
Dr. Lawrence Frost (2003)
Ernest Gerke (2015)
Peter Gordon (2016)
Kurt Jacobowitz-Cain (2012)
Ken Kuchma (2017)
Andrea Laguni *(2015)
Tom Laurita (2016)
Jessay Martin # (2011)
Dale Matlock (2015)
Charles McClendon (2014)
J. T. Miller (2014)
Joe Nelson (2016)
Doug Nichols (2016)
Bobby Orr (2018)
Sergio Pena (2018)
Steven Shuman (2017)
Stephen Rappaport (2011)
Antonio Rico (2013)
Ken Theriault +(2015)
John Tuttle #(2016)
Dave Van Wess (2011)
Richard Weldon (2014)
John Whearty (2009)
Marc Wing (2017)

BASS

Jack Alexander (2015)
M. Dewayne Benson (2016)
Robert Broecker (2018)
Dan Carlentine *(2015)
Jason Duncan (2010)
Steffan Endres (2017)
Bill Eyler #(2016)
Robert Henry (2013)
Antonio Jackman (2015)
David Jansing +#(2016)
Rusty Kaplan (2016)
Paul Kowal #(2014)
Russell Learn (2013)
Edward LeBlanc (2017)
Oleg Liebowitz (2001)
Todd A. Lobato-Wright (2014)
John Malo (2009)
Chuck Marx #(2000)
Jim Monahan (2016)
Gregory Richardson (2018)
Mark Robinson (2016)
George Rockel (2017)
Ray Rosenberg (2004)
Robert Rotman (2015)
David Ryan (2016)
Kyle Selby (2017)
Tom Shannon (2013)
Bruce Stout (2017)
Hal Stradley (2013)
Raul Valenzuela (2014)
Zach Weingart (2016)

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BASS

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Leave of Absence



A member
of the Chorus
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quickly
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BIOGRAPHIES

Douglas C. Wilson – Artistic Director



Douglas Wilson earned a Bachelor's Degree in Choral Music at Michigan State University and a Masters in Music Performance (Organ) from Arizona State University. Mr. Wilson is retired from the Clark County School District, Las Vegas, Nevada, where he was an Elementary Music Specialist and an Elementary School Principal for 30 years. Doug also served as church musician/organist at Community Lutheran Church, Las Vegas for more than 26 years. He has performed organ recitals in California, Arizona, Nevada and Michigan. He was Accompanist/Assistant Director of the Las Vegas Master Singers and Southern Nevada Musical Arts Society. Doug continues to use his musical skills as an accompanist for musical theater in the Coachella Valley. He has worked as musical director for shows at Desert Rose Playhouse, including, "Dirty Little Show Tunes", "Marry Me A Little" and "Southern Baptist Sissies". Doug is the new Director of Music at Hope Lutheran Church. Doug lives in Rancho Mirage with his husband, Tom Reinberg.

Joel Baker – Principal Accompanist



Joel Baker is a native of the Seattle area, and received his Bachelor's degree from The University of Washington School of Music, where he studied under international concert pianist Robin McCabe. While in Seattle, Joel played piano for Nordstrom for fifteen years before moving to the desert in 2003. Currently, Joel is pianist for "The Judy Show," starring Michael Holmes, at The Purple Room, and for the local musical revue, "Palm Springs JUMP!" He can also be found playing at Stacy's at Palm Springs, for Open Mic at Frankie's Old World Italian Bakery, for Cabaret on the Green at AJ's, or on the lobby piano at Desert Regional Medical Center. In addition, Joel is on the faculty of Midsummer Musical Retreat in Walla Walla, WA and is an accompanist at College Of The Desert. Joel lives in Palm Springs with his husband, Don Vasconcelos 2013. www.misterpiano.com

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Bruce Kenyon – Director, The Arrangement



At age 16, Bruce became the youngest member ever to be selected to sing with the Oakland Symphony Chorus, and achieved another “first” by singing with the Chorus’ “All-Star” ensemble. He was introduced to barbershop music at the U.S. Naval Academy, where he sang Tenor in the USNA Barbershop Quartet for four years. His “high point” of vocal achievement was competing at the Barbershop Harmony Society’s International Championship competition, where his quartet “Main Event” was a semi-finalist.

Bruce has sung and held numerous leadership positions with the San Francisco Gay Men’s Chorus, the Gay Men’s Chorus of Los Angeles, and now with the Palm Springs Gay Men’s Chorus, where he proudly serves as Second Tenor Section Leader, and as founder and conductor of “The Arrangement”, PSGMC’s select Barbershop Chorale.

Kurt Jordan – Accompanist



Kurt Jordan developed an intense interest in learning the piano after having seen *The Phantom of the Opera* with his parents at age 10. He studied under the guidance of Joann Algier throughout middle and high school, during which time he discovered a love of music using multiple pianos. This passion was further explored at Azusa Pacific University while studying with Dr. Robert Sage. Kurt performed several recitals of material he arranged for two and three pianos, the recordings of which have received radio play in Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Boston, Austin, and Beirut. In 2009, Kurt had the honor of performing the West Coast premiere of Alvin Curran’s 7.5 hour long piano song cycle, *Inner Cities 1-13*, as well as the U.S. premiere of *movement 14* at Burning Man in 2013. Kurt graduated from Azusa Pacific University in 2010 with a BA in Music Theory and Composition.

In 2013, Kurt became the accompanist for two small groups within the PSGMC. Most recently, he has been involved as the accompanist for Songshine, a non-profit organization that teaches speech therapy through music for people with Parkinson’s disease and stroke.

Martin Coogan – Sign Language Interpreter



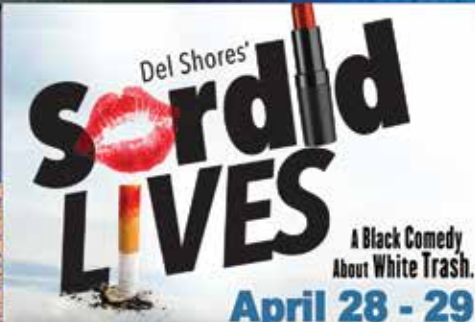
Martin has been involved in music and theater, in some fashion, since his youth as a dancer/choreographer. His talents include being a DJ, costume designer, hair and make-up artist, as well as assisting in direction and producing. When he stepped into the signing world in 1995, in the beginning, Martin would watch performance interpreters and be in awe and think, that was not possible for a person whose second language is ASL. All that changed, when he moved to the valley from Seattle, nearly ten years ago. “It is a privilege and an honor to be the signer for the PSGMC!”



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In Memoriam

We fondly remember our friends who once made beautiful music with us.

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The Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus Endowment Fund

Given the opportunity, most people would like to leave a generous legacy to organizations they valued during their lifetime.

The Palm Springs Gay Men's Chorus is building long-term endowment support through a comprehensive planned giving program. The Endowment Fund is at the heart of this program to secure our financial future and to ensure that there will always be a gay men's choral group performing in the Coachella Valley.

Planned giving is typically done in conjunction with estate planning, and is a viable option for donors of all income levels. Depending on how a planned gift is set up, it may also let you receive a stream of income for life, earn higher investment yield or reduce your capital gains or estate tax.

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For more information about making a planned gift to PSGMC, please contact Rick Mauery at development@psgmc.com.

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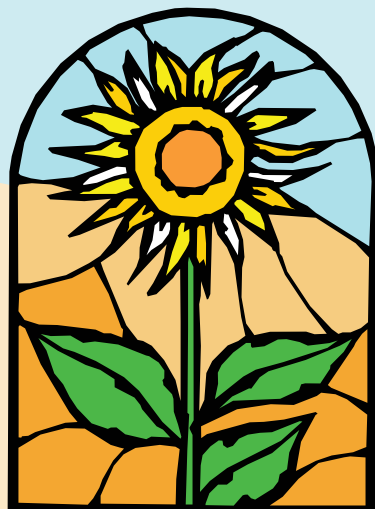
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My Boyfriend's Back	Bob Feldman, Jerry Goldstein and Richard Gottcher Arranged by Mark Brymer
Save The Last Dance for Me	Doc Pomus and Mort Shuman Arranged by Jay Althouse
Under the Boardwalk	Artie Resnick and Kenny Young Arranged by Mark Brymer Ted Fox, Soloist
You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling	Barry Mann, Cynthia Weil, and Phil Spector Arranged by Kirby Shaw
California Dreamin'	John Phillips and Michelle Phillips Arranged by Pakk Hui
Be My Baby	Phil Spector, Ellie Greenwich and Jeff Berry Arranged by Mac Huff
One Fine Day	Gerry Goffin and Carole King Arranged by Mac Huff
Chapel of Love	Phil Spector, Ellie Greenwich and Jeff Barry Arranged by Roger Emerson
Feelin' Groovy	Paul Simon Arranged by David Maddux
Choral Highlights from Jersey Boys	Arranged by Mark Brymer Joe Musser, Soloist

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— INTERMISSION —

Tribute to the Carpenters	Joel Baker, Pianist and Soloist
Beach Boys Medley	Brian Wilson Arranged by Tom Colville
Dream A Little Dream of Me	Gus Kahn Arranged by Jim Stephens The Arrangement, Bruce Kenyon, Director
Abraham, Martin and John	Dick Holler Joel Fleisher, Jessay Martin, J.B. Tennessen, Allan Jensen, Soloists
The Sound of Silence	Paul Simon Arranged by Mark Hayes
Cherish (The Association's Greatest Hits)	Arranged by Alan Billingsley
Joy to The World	Hoyt Wayne Axton Arranged by David Maddux
Stop! In the Name of Love	Brian Holland, Lamont Dozier, Eddie Holland Arranged by Mark Brymer Matt Burkholz, Frank Duncan, Al Meritt
Bridge Over Troubled Water	Paul Simon Arranged and Adapted by Kirby Shaw Sheldon Safir and Jim Monahan, Soloists
Celebrate	Gary Bonner and Al Gordon Arranged by David Maddux





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Joy to the World and Celebrate Choreography – Frank Duncan

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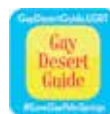


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