



2024
ONTARIO

FAR WESTERN DISTRICT
SOUTHEAST & SOUTHWEST DIVISIONS
CONVENTION

MAY 11, 2024

Colony High School Theatre
Ontario, California



Welcome to Ontario – let's sing!



This is the largest division contest we have had in years with an amazing lineup of performers. In fact, so many quartets entered that we had to add another set of judges to finish before midnight! If you look at the names of the quartet members, you'll see barbershop gold medalists and hall of famers. Wow! You'll also see groups that have never competed before who are making their debut. We are delighted to have each and every one of them. That is in addition to the many choruses who will be

performing. Don't rush out after your own performance—sit down and enjoy the show!

Take the opportunity to sing with others. You can keep it simple with a tag or pole cat song. If you find some people who know a song you do, give it a shot. Encourage others to join in. Be welcomed and be welcoming. Don't be surprised if you stand around singing for an hour with people who were total strangers. That's barbershop.

Thank you to the committee that made this event happen. Thank you to the Masters of Harmony for being our host chorus and taking care of so many responsibilities to keep things moving. And finally, thank you to the Ontario community for being so welcoming. The Colony High School staff has worked hard to accommodate our needs as has our host hotel, the Sheraton Ontario Airport.

Okay, can I get a B-flat please?

Barry Waite

Convention Chairman

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Far Western District

SOUTHEAST & SOUTHWEST DIVISIONS

CONVENTION



May 11, 2024 • Ontario, California
Hosted by the Greater Los Angeles Chapter

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

All times marked are Pacific Daylight Time.

Doors open 30 minutes prior to each event. Your convention badge is required for entry into all events.

SATURDAY 5/11

Registration & Box Office.....	8:00 am - 12:00 pmColony Theatre Lobby
Quartet Stage Walk-thru (1½ min max)...	9:00 am - 9:30 amColony Theatre
Everyone Welcome Chorus	9:30 am - 10:00 amTeacher Center
Chorus Session	10:00 am - 1:30 pmColony Theatre
Chorus Feedback	2:20 pm - 4:00 pmWarmup Rooms
Registration & Box Office.....	3:00 pm - 6:30 pmColony Theatre Lobby
Quartet Session	4:30 pm - 8:00 pmColony Theatre
Encore Performances	8:00 pm - 8:50 pmColony Theatre
Quartet Feedback.....	9:30 pm - 11:30 pmSheraton Hotel (HQ)



Locations

Colony High School Theatre (Venue), 3850 E Riverside Dr, Ontario, CA
Sheraton Ontario Airport (Headquarters), 429 N Vineyard Ave, Ontario, CA

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Thank you for your cooperation.



CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE: *PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL ANNIVERSARY*

With great joy and gratitude, we commemorate a remarkable milestone – the 20th anniversary of our leadership giving program, President's Council, launched by Harmony Foundation in 2004.

To honor this achievement, we are thrilled to announce an initiative that underscores our commitment to the growth and sustainability of our mission and invaluable program partners. M.B. Lombard, a champion of enriching lives through singing, has generously pledged a \$150,000 giving challenge to HFI. **All new, reinstated, and increased Ambassador of Song and President's Council gifts will be counted toward the Lombard Family Challenge.** This extraordinary endeavor has the potential to raise over \$300,000 in new support of life-changing programs!



Join us in celebrating two decades of President's Council!

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Panel of Judges

Administrative

Panel Chair - David Bowen, FWD
Michael Busse, RMD

Musicality

Rob Campbell, FWD
Rod Sgrignoli, SUN
Jeremiah Pope, EVG

Performance

Blair Brown, FWD
Michael Kelly, EVG
Dusty Schleier, SHD

Singing

Matt Fellows, FWD
David Mills, SUN
Ryan Wisniewski, SWD

Determining Relative Rank

Music

Music is defined as the song and arrangement, as performed. The Music Category judges the arranger's skill and the performer's musicianship in bringing the mood or story of the song to life, and the suitability of the material to the barbershop style.

Performance

These judges evaluate how effectively a performer brings the song to life. They judge the entertainment value of the performance – the art of the performance.

Singing

In the Singing Category, artistic singing in the barbershop style is judged – listening holistically for ringing in-tune voices that use a free, beautiful and rich vocal quality, which is wonderfully unified and vocally expressive.

Each judge may award up to 100 points per song.

Read more about each category in-depth at barbershop.org/contests

Definition of the Barbershop Style

Barbershop harmony is a style of unaccompanied vocal music characterized by consonant four-part chords for every melody note in a primarily homorhythmic (the same word sounds at the same time) texture. The melody is consistently sung by the lead (second tenor), with the tenor (first tenor) harmonizing above the melody, the bass singing the lowest harmonizing notes, and the baritone completing the chord. Occasional brief passages may be sung by fewer than four voice parts.

Barbershop music features songs with understandable lyrics and easily singable melodies, whose tones clearly define a tonal center and imply major and minor chords and barbershop (dominant and secondary dominant) seventh chords that often resolve around the circle of fifths, while also making use of other resolutions. Barbershop music also features a balanced and symmetrical form, and a standard meter. The basic song and its harmonization are embellished by the arranger to

provide appropriate support of the song's theme and to close the song effectively. Barbershop singers adjust pitches to achieve perfectly tuned chords (instead of tempered tuning like the piano) in just intonation while remaining true to the established tonal center. Artistic singing in the barbershop style exhibits a fullness or expansion of sound, precise intonation, a high degree of vocal skill, and a high level of unity and consistency within the ensemble. Ideally, these elements are natural, not manufactured, and free from apparent effort.

The performance of barbershop music uses appropriate musical and visual methods to convey the theme of the song and provide the audience with an emotionally satisfying and entertaining experience. Barbershop singers traditionally do not hold sheet music. The musical and visual delivery is from the heart, believable, and sensitive to the song and its arrangement throughout. The most stylistic performance artistically melds together the musical and visual aspects to create and sustain the illusions suggested by the music.

Barbershop can be performed in quartets as well as choirs, and can be found all over the world in male, female, and mixed ensembles.

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The Barbershop Quartet Preservation Association (BQPA/PIONEERS) is an ever-growing group of singers dedicated to the preservation and perpetuation of the traditional style of barbershop quartet music described in our style definition.

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Pick up quarteting, a luck of the draw contest, and a parade of local quartets are just some of the aspects of a fun-filled weekend of comraderie.

For more information about the BQPA, please visit our website:

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Southeast & Southwest Divisions Chorus Contest

Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 10:00 am

Colony High School Theatre, Ontario, California

Presenter: **Ben Porter**, FWD VP Contests & Judging

SE=Southeast Div, SW=Southwest Div, D=District Qual, E=Eval Only, A/AA/AAA=Plateau Level

MT. Everyone Welcome Chorus

Directed by Dan Wessler

1. Sun Harbor

Directed by Neal Palmer • San Diego, CA (SE, D, AA)

2. Vocal Mixology

Directed by Phil Ordaz • Brea, CA (SE, D, AAA)

3. Coachella Valley Barbershop Chorus

Directed by Bernard Priceman • Coachella Valley, CA (SE, D, A)

4. SoCal Mix

Directed by Yasu Ichikawa • Lake Forest, CA (SE, D, AAA)

5. Silver Statesmen

Directed by Gordon Lankenau • Las Vegas, NV (SE, D, A)

6. Blush Tones

Directed by Sang Park • Great Oak HS, Temecula, CA (E)

7. Coastliners

Directed by Pete Neushul • South Bay, CA (SW, D, A)

8. Pacific Coast Harmony

Directed by Bonnie McKibben • La Jolla, CA (SE, D, AAA)

9. Orange Empire Chorus

Directed by Craig Ewing • Fullerton, CA (SE, D, A)

10. Wine Valley Harmonizers

Directed by Samuel Irvin • Temecula, CA (SE, D, A)

11. The Oceanares

Directed by Laura Pallas-Singer • Santa Monica, CA (SW, D, A)

12. Inland Sound

Directed by Mike Smith • Inland Empire, CA (SE, D, A)

12. LA South Towns Chorus

Directed by Caroline McLean-Neushul • LA South Towns (SW, D, A)

13. Masters of Harmony

Directed by Alan Gordon • Greater Los Angeles (SW, D, AAA)

Special Guests

Colony High School Chamber Choir

Directed by Michael Bachman, MA • Colony HS, Ontario, CA

The Fourtissimos

Seann Paris Alib, Ezra Huang, Tyler Alib, Andrew Huang
Venice High School

Girl Treble

Nuria Javelosa, Bibi Ciment, Estrela Boateng, Rosie Morales
Venice High School

LUNCH TIME!



ON CAMPUS
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm



District Classic Burger \$12
Handcrafted 5 oz Angus patty, homemade 1000 Island, American cheese, crisp iceberg lettuce, fresh tomato, and caramelized onions on a baked buttered Brioche Bun.



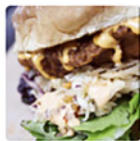
Compton Cowboy Burger \$13
Handcrafted 5 oz Angus patty, Applewood smoked bacon, cheddar cheese, beer battered onion rings, mustard and pickles on a baked buttered Brioche Bun.



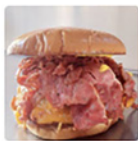
De La Raza Burger \$13
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213 Burger \$13
Handcrafted 5oz Angus Patty, Blue Cheese, Applewood smoked Bacon, iceberg lettuce, tomato, caramelized onions, mustard, and blue cheese dressing on a baked buttered Brioche Bun.



The 626 Burger \$12
Fresh Soy & Citrus marinated Chicken Breast patty, Sriracha aioli coleslaw, sweet chili, crisp lettuce and fresh tomato on a baked buttered Brioche Bun.



DTLA Burger \$13
Handcrafted 5 oz Angus Patty topped with fresh Pastrami, Cheddar Cheese, grilled onions, pickles, mustard and mayo on a baked buttered Brioche Bun.



Compton Cowboy Fries \$15
Grilled Steak, Applewood smoked bacon, shredded cheese, BBQ sauce, mustard, pickles, French's fried onions served on a bed of French Fries.



Santa Monica Burger \$13
Handcrafted 5oz Angus Patty, Applewood smoked bacon, sunny side egg, guacamole, chipotle aioli, fresh tomato and mustard on a baked buttered Brioche Bun.



Carne Asada Fries \$15
Marinated and Grilled Carne Asada, shredded cheese, chipotle aioli, crema and pico de gallo served on a bed of French Fries.



Carne Asada Taco Plate \$15
Three corn tortillas topped with Carne Asada, pico de gallo, pickled salsa and cilantro and served with a side of chips and guacamole.



Vegan Classic Beyond Beef \$13
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Southeast & Southwest Divisions Quartet Contest

Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 4:30 pm

Colony High School Theatre, Ontario, California

Presenter: Kenny Rios, FWD President

All names are listed by voice part: tenor, lead, baritone, and bass.

SE=Southeast Div, SW=Southwest Div, D=Dist Qual, S=Senior, SS=SuperSenior, N=Novice, Y=Youth, E=Eval

MT. The Pacific Coast Highwaymen

Barry Waite, Tim Bixler, Jack Reid, James Anderson

South Bay, CA

1. Balancing Act

Shelley Anderson, Alice Burgé, Cathy Gansen, Tom Fazekas

La Jolla; San Diego (SE, D, S, N)

2. Westringsters

Jeromy McMahon, Jeff Albright, CJ Miller, Chase Ferrante

Greater Los Angeles; Greater Phoenix; Maricopa County; Mesa; Westminster; Barbary Coast; California Delta (SE, D)

3. Cactus Crooners

Stan Gile, Bill Schilling, Bernard Priceman, Dale Steinmann

Greater Los Angeles (SW, D, S, SS, N)

4. Bardic Inspiration

Harrison Patri, Chris Rodrigues, Eddie McNally, Hunter Farrington

Westminster (SE, D)

5. Velvet Frogs

Craig Ewing, David Livingston, C J Sams, Donald Derler

Fullerton; Greater Los Angeles; Santa Monica (SW, D)

6. Speakeasy

Matthew Gray, Ted Allen, Peter Trist, Brian Philbin

Lake Forrest; Westminster; Greater Los Angeles (SE, D)

7. Midnight Laundry

Riley Dewitt-Rickards, Noah Lotter, Brandon Wang, Jeff Sha

La Jolla (SE, D, N)

8. Twilight

Gordon Lankenau, Rick Ives Jr., Gary Bolles, David Dean

Las Vegas (SE, D, S, SS, N)

9. Ready Willing & Mabel

Kate Walker, Caroline McLean-Neushul, Pete Neushul, Jim Campbell

L.A. South Towns; South Bay, CA; Frank Thorne (SW, D, S)

10. The South Bay Curve

Damian Curran, Dan Ulfig, David Taylor, John Saffery

South Bay (SW, D, S, SS)

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12. Critical Chords

Ernie Reyes, David Feiner, Adam Marangakis, Aaron Wagner
Greater Los Angeles; Lake Forest (SW, D)

13. Coastal Classic

Nilene Thompson-Finn, Chuck Leavitt, Norm Finn, Craig Hughes
Barbary Coast; Greater Los Angeles; La Jolla; San Diego; Walnut Creek (SE, S, SS, N)

14. Secret Sauce

Harrison Patri, Cam Espino, CJ Miller, Antwun Puckett
California Delta; Las Vegas; Westminster; Frank Thorne (SE, D, Y)

15. Midnight Madness

Paul DeWeese, Dickson Chen, Scott Hansen, Charles Carothers
Greater Los Angeles; La Jolla; Fullerton (SW, D, S, N)

16. Troubadour

Marlee Delia, Linda Borg, Carolyn Yoshida, Leah Tanzy-Roberts
Frank Thorne (SW, D)

17. Six Feet Off Bass

Eric Emmons, Lenny Jensen, Mark Travis, Willie Daw
Greater Los Angeles (SW, D, S)

18. Moving Parts

James Halvorson, Alan Gordon, Dallas Halvorson, Dan Wessler
California Delta; Denver Mile High, CO; Greater Los Angeles; Las Vegas; Westminster (SW, D)

19. Travesty

Barry Waite, Tim Bixler, David Taylor, Sean Clark
South Bay (DW, D, S)

20. Old Town Rascals

Arthur Sauls, Steve Secules, Mark Lewis, Samuel Irvin
Temecula (SE, D)

21. The Seventh Variety

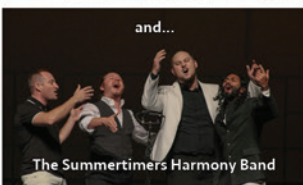
Jacob Gonzalez, Michael Keleshian, Emil Pichardo, Mitchell James Sampang
Greater Los Angeles; Westminster (SW, D)



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are truly blessed to be in one of the top districts in the Society,
and that is thanks to the great people in it.

It takes a great team to steer this ship, and we are always looking for
talented and dedicated individuals to help our district.

If you would like to join the team, please email

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Chorus Contest Results

Southeast Division

Southwest Division

Most Improved Chorus:	So-Cal Mix	The Oceanaires
Plateau A Champion:	Orange Empire Chorus	L.A. South Towns Chorus
Plateau AA Champion:	Sun Harbor	--
Plateau AAA Champion:	Pacific Coast Harmony	Masters of Harmony
Division Chorus Champion:	Pacific Coast Harmony	Masters of Harmony

Quartet Contest Results

Southeast Division

Southwest Division

Novice Quartet Champion:	Midnight Laundry	Midnight Madness
Senior Quartet Champion:	Balancing Act	Ready Willing & Mabel
Division Quartet Champion:	Speakeasy	Moving Parts

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