



AREA 3 CONVENTION & CONTEST  
MAY 5-7, 2017  
ROCHESTER, NY



AREA 3's A.C.C.T. [Area Convention & Contest Team]  
and Hostess Chapter, **NORTHERN BLEND CHORUS,**

Welcomes you to

**“ONCE UPON A TIME”...**

**Included in this 2<sup>nd</sup> mailing:**



General Information Overview  
Directions to our Contest Site  
Official Judging Panel  
Saturday Banquet  
Photography Forms /Video Information  
Hostess Chapter / MoonGlow  
Education/Craft Class Information  
**Final Weekend Schedule included...**

Any Questions? Please email BOTH General Co-Chairs:

**Sue & Dorene** at: [acct@area3harmony.org](mailto:acct@area3harmony.org)

- Parking at the hotel / contest site is \$12.00 per day with unlimited ‘come & go’ privileges. Hotel registration check-in time is 3:00PM and check-out is 11AM. The hotel assigns reservation numbers that will be sent to the group contact via email. Any changes needed AFTER the receipt of these numbers can be made with the hotel. The Hyatt offers complimentary airport/train/bus shuttle service. It also provides a direct connection to the Rochester Convention Center via a sky bridge.
- There is NO travel time between hotel & contest venue for evaluations as we are under one roof! Evaluations will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor meeting level of the Hyatt. Judges will assign each quartet & chorus evaluations per round and schedules will be generated for the weekend’s contests very much as it’s done at IC&C. Evaluation times and locations will be announced at contest by the COJ.
- Each chorus will have an OPTIONAL 45-minute rehearsal room available Saturday morning. The rehearsal times are by Order of Appearance so contestants 1-4 will be 8:55-9:40AM and contestants 5-8 will be 9.45-10.30AM. Room assignments will be sent as part of the schedule to each chorus.
- Registered quartet members are invited to sing in the Area 3 Quarus, directed by Ron Mason. [Please note the rehearsal time for this on the AC&C Weekend Schedule included in this mailing.]
- Representatives [one per part preferably but not mandatory] or any other interested members from each chorus have the opportunity to sing our Area 3 Chorus song directed by Katie Taylor. [Please note the rehearsal time for this on the AC&C Weekend Schedule included in this mailing.]
- The Area 3 Family Chorus will be directed by Roxanne Powell. [Please note the rehearsal time for this on the AC&C Weekend Schedule included in this mailing.]
- **Risers for all choruses are five, six-foot risers with four steps and a back rail.**
- **Photos are taken BEFORE going on stage!** Bring order form/payment with you. [ONE check/credit card per order.]
- DVD video service will be provided by Steve Caso; the ordering form is included in this mailing. **Please bring this completed form & payment to the Contestant-Judges Briefing and give it to Sue Trenchard.** DVDs will be completed after contest ends and mailed to each group’s contact approximately two weeks after AC&C.

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**Security Issue** - Contestants are reminded that Harmony, Inc. will not be responsible for lost or stolen personal property at the Contest site. Leave purses in your room or give to someone in the audience.

***NO ITEMS BACKSTAGE PLEASE!!***

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**NO SCENTS MAKE SENSE!!!!** Please think of your sisters in song when it comes to perfume or other heavy scents that may bother singers. Remember to PLEASE be courteous and mindful of this concern.

**CONTEST ‘ETIQUETTE’**

- \*Enter/Exit auditorium only when doors are officially open
- \*NO talking/singing along while contestants perform
- \*NO photography or recording
- \*NO food in the auditorium

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**HYATT REGENCY, 125 E Main Street, Rochester, NY 14604** - located just off NYS Thruway

Feel free to ‘Google Map’ the directions to our contest venue; one main direction using I-90 is:

**Directions From I-90, NYS Thruway**

Take Exit 45 (Rochester 490 Exit) through tollbooths & take ramp right for I-490W toward Rochester. [14.5 miles]

Take Exit 16, ramp right for Clinton Avenue toward downtown. [.5 mile]

Keep right onto S. Clinton Avenue. [.3 mile]

Turn left onto Route 33 / E. Main Street [500 feet] YOU ARE THERE!!! ☺ -

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**Questions?? Please email both co-chairs: [acct@harmonyinc.org](mailto:acct@harmonyinc.org)**

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# AC&C 2017 JUDGING PANEL

## MUSIC CATEGORY

Kathy Greason, Brunswick, ME  
Brent Graham, Phoenix, AZ

## PERFORMANCE CATEGORY

Sandi Wright, St. Louis, MO  
Mark Kettner, Kingsport, TN

## SINGING CATEGORY

D. Dyer, Standish, ME  
Alan Gordon, Fullerton, CA

## Chairman of Judges –

Linda Muisse, Dover, NH

## Associate Chairman of Judges –

Bill Vermue, Binbrook, ON, Canada

## Practice Panel

Janet Billings – Music                      Camille Duffy – Performance

Marie Ross – COJ

Note: If you have any questions with regard to either the Chorus or Quartet contest, please contact our ACJC Nicola Stevens at: [a3jc@harmonyinc.org](mailto:a3jc@harmonyinc.org)

***Reminder:*** There will be NO stage curtain. Each chorus package starts when the director signals the emcee for the introduction. Quartet packages begin when the emcee introduces each quartet.

## FINAL WEEKEND SCHEDULE ~ AC&C May 5-7, 2017

DATE	TIME	SCHEDULE	ROOM/FACILITY
Friday, May 5	12 Noon - 3PM	Registration	Hotel Hospitality Foyer
	10 AM – 3PM	Hospitality	Hotel Hospitality Room
	1:00 PM – 1:30PM	Area Quarus Rehearsal	Regency Ballroom C
	1:30PM – 2PM	Quartet on-stage viewing (no singing)	Hotel Ballroom
	2PM – 2:30 PM	Contestant-Judges Briefing	Hotel Ballroom
	3:30PM - 7PM	Quartet Contest: Area Quarus, Awards & Qualifiers, 1 <sup>st</sup> place sings	Hotel Ballroom
	6:45PM – 8:00PM	Judges Dinner	Hotel
	8:00PM -11:00PM	Evaluations	Hotel 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Mtg Rooms
Saturday, May 6	8AM -10AM	Registration	Hotel Hospitality Foyer
	8AM -10AM	Hospitality	Hotel Hospitality Room
	9:30AM – 10AM	Chorus on-stage viewing (no singing)	Hotel – Ballroom
	10AM – 10:30AM	Family Chorus Rehearsal	Hotel Ballroom
	10:30 - 11AM	Area Chorus Rehearsal	Hotel Ballroom
	12 Noon – 2:30 PM	Chorus Contest: Area Chorus, Awards & Qualifiers, 1 <sup>st</sup> place sings	Hotel Ballroom
	2:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Chorus Evaluations	Hotel 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Mtg Rooms
	6:30 PM – 8PM	Cocktails / Dinner	Hotel Ballroom
8PM – 10:00PM	MoonGlow	Hotel Ballroom	
Sunday, May 7	9AM – Noon	Education / Craft Classes	Hotel 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Mtg Rooms
	9AM – 11AM	Hospitality	Hotel Hospitality Room

# AC & C 2017 BANQUET

## Our "ONCE UPON A TIME" Menu:

Cinderella's Wedding Soup

Under the Sea Mango, Avocado and Shrimp Salad

Queen of Romaine Hearts with Sweet Onions and Red Pepper Dressing

Genie Grilled Chicken with Fresh Asparagus and Tomatoes

Princess Poached Salmon on an Olive and Artichoke Ragout

Jiminy Cricket's Spring Potatoes with Fresh Herbs

Jack and the Beanstalk Greens & Beans with Sausage

True Love's Kiss Raspberry Sorbet

PLEASE NOTE: We are hopeful that any MAJOR dietary concerns can be addressed by the variety of foods offered on the buffet. If that is NOT the case, however, you must be sure to notify the ACCT Co-Chairs via email before April 20<sup>th</sup> to BE CERTAIN your needs can be addressed. Thank you! ☺

*\*The evening's MoonGlow program will directly follow dinner!!\**

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Also please note, *limited* Hospitality Room refreshments will be provided by **The Hyatt** for your enjoyment!



<u>Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup></u>	=	1PM - 3PM:	Lemonade & Cookies
<u>Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup></u>	=	8AM -10AM:	Coffee, Tea, Decaf, & Breakfast pastries
<u>Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup></u>	=	9AM -11AM:	Coffee & Tea



Reminder -- For the MoonGlow, other than the normal pre-determined awards being presented, only the following will be part of our Saturday evening annual Area 3 AC&C MoonGlow program:

- ALL Choruses -- will perform one song [unless an exemption is requested]
- ALL Area 3 Current Quartet Medalists -- will perform one song
- ALL Area 3 Queen quartets and/or International Chorus Champions -- will perform one song [unless they do not wish to do so]
- Judges -- will perform one song [Yes, they will! ☺ ]



AC&C 2017  
DVD Registration Form  
Cost = \$10.00 per DVD

Note: Please complete the following information and bring this form and payment to the Contestant-Judges Briefing. Purchased DVDs will NOT be available at contest, but they will be finished and **MAILED** to the address that you indicate on this form approximately two weeks after AC&C.

Quartet / Chorus Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you! ☺

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# Debra Woodard, Photographer

7950 County Road 41, Victor, NY 14564  
585-738-5050 cell [Marwoodphoto@gmail.com](mailto:Marwoodphoto@gmail.com)

ACC Order Form

Please fill out form and bring it along with your payment at time of photo.

Price list includes tax

You may pay cash or check to Debra Woodard, Photographer (We do not except credit cards)

All photos are money back guaranteed

Order will be mailed to picture chairman in within 2 weeks

5x7's 1-4	\$14.00 each	_____	\$ _____
5x7's 5 or more	\$12.00 each	_____	\$ _____
8x10's 1-4	\$17.00 each	_____	\$ _____
8'10's 5 or more	\$14.00 each	_____	\$ _____
Set of 8 wallets	\$13.00	_____	\$ _____
8x10 Calendar	\$15.00	_____	\$ _____
Ceramic Coffee mug	\$25.00	_____	\$ _____
Water Bottle	\$25.00	_____	\$ _____
Canvas Bag	\$20.00	_____	\$ _____
Beverage Cozy Wrap	\$10.00	_____	\$ _____
Statuette 8x10	\$30.00	_____	\$ _____
Phone cover	\$25.00	_____	\$ _____

Please indicate phone type \_\_\_\_\_

Electronic web image \$50.00 or \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Quartet with minimum \$50 order \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Chorus with minimum \$150 order \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please add \$10.00 shipping & handling for orders under \$50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Chorus or Quartet Name \_\_\_\_\_

As you'd like it to appear on photo

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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**AC&C 2017 Hostess Chapter, NORTHERN BLEND CHORUS,**  
**is so excited for our**  
***"ONCE UPON A TIME"...* weekend!! ☺**

*Hear Ye ~ Hear Ye, All Area 3 Members!!*

*Gather your fairytale wares & garb and securely pack them away as you journey to celebrate our "Once Upon A Time" weekend at AC&C! Think of all the excitement we can create as we revel about convention weekend celebrating the variety of fantasy stories and characters. Whether that will include elves or giants, fairies and princesses, goblins or beasts, mermaids and unicorns or even an evil Queen or two [or four!], the magic & enchantment that awaits all is sure to please...*

*Be certain not to miss out on this exquisitely planned AC&C weekend by visiting our Hospitality Room early and often to take in all of the surprises that await. This will greatly enhance your Fairytale experience!! Enjoy everything convention has to offer from the Queenly Quartets and other enchanted performances Friday afternoon, to the Delightful Chorus Contest and Fairytale Moonglow Banquet Menu on Saturday. The entire experience unfolds throughout and commences into the Enchanted Education Class offerings on Sunday. It will all be there to behold, right before your very eyes!*

*The only limit to this wonderful fantasy "Once Upon A Time" weekend is your own imagination! Your very own fantastic fairytale awaits...*



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*Don't forget to pick up your pre-purchased "Once Upon A Time" t-shirt in the Hospitality Room. This commemorates your Area 3 2017 contest, and it's cute too! ☺ Enjoy wearing this t-shirt; Northern Blend sincerely appreciates your support! Thank You!!!!*

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# **AC&C 2017 EDUCATION CLASSES**

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Hyatt Regency - 2nd Floor Meeting Room Level

Sunday, May 7

## **9:00 - 10:00AM**

Class 1: **Presentation To Performance by Mark Kettner** = Mark Kettner, certified Performance Judge, will describe the judging program's journey from Presentation to Performance. Discussion will center around the elements of impactful performances, and why this transition was needed to help barbershop grow and become relevant in today's world of entertainment. Location: Loftus C. Carson Room

Class 2: **Conquering The Aging Voice by Sandi Wright** = Phonation...what is it? What happens to your breath support, your vocal health? What happens to your voice as you age and what can you do? Location: Wilmorite Room

## **9:00- 10:30AM**

Class 1: **Interpretation Demystified by Brent Graham** = Learn to identify the theme of any song and design an interpretation plan based on that theme. Members will create an interpretation plan for part of one song. Learn how to move from the learning track to your own interpretation using the tools learned in class. Location: Regency Ballroom

## **10:00 - 11:00AM**

Class 1: **Singing Through Your Break by Denise Dyer** = Let's go for a drive! As we develop a road map and go exploring, we must first prepare our vehicle. This will be a field trip like no other as we develop a route, and prepare and operate a motor vehicle. Prior driving experience is helpful (just kidding) but not required. Intrigued? Come explore with us! Location: Wilmorite Room

Class 2: **What Makes It Barbershop? by Kathy Greason** = In this class, participants will listen to music to explore and identify the elements of the barbershop style. Location: Loftus C. Carson Room

## **10:30 - 12:00 NOON**

Class 1: **Coaching Under Glass by Alan Gordon** = Watch and learn as two quartets are coached in an open forum with dialogue from the presenter as to why he's asking the quartets to sing in a specific manner. Location: Regency Ballroom

Stayed tuned for info on **"Sing With the Queens!"**

\*\*Look for more information on the Area 3 website at <http://www.area3harmony.org>

