



Singing City Choir has long been celebrated for its artistry and excellence, delivering performances that inspire and captivate. With bold, diverse, and innovative programming, the ensemble brings its annual concert series to stages across the greater Philadelphia region, offering music that resonates deeply with audiences. By exploring themes of resilience, belonging, and shared humanity, Singing City sparks meaningful reflection and conversation about the human experience.

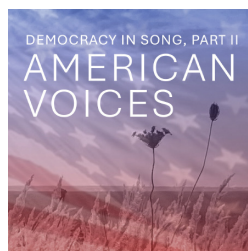
From its earliest days, Singing City has harnessed the transformative power of choral music as a force for education, dialogue, and social change. Grounded in the values of access, diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging, the choir is steadfast in presenting repertoire that challenges, uplifts, and creates pathways for cross-cultural understanding.

Come be part of our season—experience the joy, energy, and power of raising voices together in community.



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2025-26 Season



Democracy in Song, Part II **Americans in Song**

October 26 2025, 3 p.m.

Friends Center

1501 Cherry Street, Philadelphia

Singing City invites audiences into a powerful “choral conversation,” exploring the stories and songs that connect us to one another and to the American experience.

The Lord of the Rings **Fellowship of the Ring**

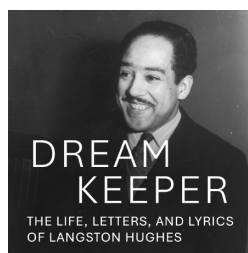
December 5-7, 2025,

various times

Kimmel Center

330 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia

Singing City joins The Philadelphia Orchestra to perform this unforgettable score live with the film.



Dream Keeper

The Life, Letters, and Lyrics
of Langston Hughes

March 14 - 15, 2026, 3 p.m.

Various locations in Philadelphia

Singing City and Lyric Fest celebrate Langston Hughes through music, poetry, and storytelling in tribute to his enduring voice for justice and joy.

With Liberty and **Justice for All**

May 3, 2026, 3 p.m.

Temple Performing Arts Center

1837 N Broad St, Philadelphia

In honor of America's 250th anniversary, Singing City reflects on liberty, justice, and hope through powerful choral works.





“Music does bring people together. It allows us to experience the same emotions. People everywhere are the same in heart and spirit. No matter what language we speak, what color we are, the form of our politics or the expression of our love and our faith, music proves: We are the same.”

–John Denver



Dear Friend of Singing City,

For more than 76 years, Singing City has lifted voices across Philadelphia, creating music that brings people together, sparks conversation, and inspires hope. At a time when polarization too often drowns out harmony, our mission to build bridges through music has never been more urgent. With your partnership, we can keep singing for connection, compassion, and justice.

Your financial support is vital in sustaining this important work.

Your gift ensures that the transformative power of music is available to all. We aren’t just presenting concerts—we are a movement that challenges division, lifts voices that need to be heard, and inspires hope where it is needed most.

Our 2025–26 season is designed to do exactly that. We open with **Democracy in Song: Part II – American Voices**, continuing our “choral conversation” about the dreams and struggles that have shaped our nation. In December, Singing City makes a thrilling joins forces with **The Philadelphia Orchestra** for the first time in decades for Howard Shore’s sweeping score to **The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring**. In March, we partner with **Lyric Fest** for **Dream Keeper: The Life, Letters, and Lyrics of Langston Hughes**, honoring the poet’s 125th birthday with a program of song, narration, and poetry that speaks to justice and joy. And in May, we close the season with **With Liberty and Justice for All**, a stirring reflection on the nation’s 250th anniversary, inviting us all to consider how far we’ve come—and how far we still must go.

Beyond the stage, our Youth Choir continues to grow, empowering Philadelphia teens to find their voices, receive mentorship, and discover the power of community through music. These young singers are the next generation of artists, leaders, and changemakers—and they are the future of our movement.

But we can’t do this without you.

Every gift matters. Every voice matters. Together, we can raise a chorus that heals, inspires, and transforms. When you give, you aren’t just supporting concerts—you are helping sustain a movement that believes music can change hearts, build bridges, and create a more just world.

We can’t wait to see you—and sing with you—in this remarkable season ahead.

In harmony,

Rollo Dilworth
Artistic & Music Director

Michael J. Bolton
Executive Director

Friends Drive 2025-2026

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Thank you for your support!



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Ways to Support Singing City

Annual Friends Drive

Contributions to Singing City's Annual Friends Drive are of crucial importance because they are used to support the operating budget of the Choir. Friends Drive gifts are spent throughout the year on operating needs such as our formal concert series, T-VOCE (Teen Voices of the City Ensemble), community concerts, and our concert series. These funds have the broad-est impact on Singing City and its audiences. You can opt in to monthly giving through our secure online donor platform: Bloomerang.

Corporate Matching Gifts

More than 2,000 companies offer employee matches to contributions. Check with your Human Resources office to see if a match is possible.

Concert Sponsorship & Program Advertising

Support the choir with concert program advertising or becoming a sponsor. Your program ad appears in all four concert programs for the season, reaching over 2000 audience members.

Planned Giving

A bequest is one of the easiest ways to provide future support to Singing City. Remembering the Choir in your estate planning ensures that the mission and work of Singing City will endure for generations.

**To learn more, please
visit the Support page of our website.**