

**JULY, 3-13, 2023** 

## THE KOREAN CHOIR GAMES OF PEACE

After 20 years, the World Choir Games are coming back to Korea: The city of Gangneung, located in the Gangwong province, is the second Korean city after Busan in 2002 to host the world's largest international choir competition.

Gangwon-do is experienced in hosting major international events: In 2018 it was the venue of the 2018 Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, which went down in history as the "Peace Games" due to the joint appearance of North and South Korean athletes. A perfect place for the unifying power of choral music to become an even more significant international symbol of peace.

Korea has a vibrant choral scene, which is highly valued in the country and received strong support from politics and community. The country regularly sends its choirs to participate in the World Choir Games – and often return with impressive success.

The host city of the 2023 World Choir Games, Gangneung, is known for its breathtaking location by the sea in front of fantastic mountain scenery. The Olympic Park and the Ice Arena were also venues for the 2018 Winter Olympics and are centrally located in the city. A unique opportunity to breathe real Olympic air here during the World Choir Games 2023!

## COMPETITION CATEGORIES

- 1 Young Children's Choirs
- 2 Children's Choirs
- 3 Youth Choirs of Equal Voices
- 4 Mixed Youth Choirs OR Mixed Boys Choirs
- 5 University and College Choirs
- 6 Vocal Ensembles
- 7 Mixed Chamber Choirs
- 8 Mixed Choirs
- 9 Female Chamber Choirs
- 10 Female Choirs
- 11 Male Chamber Choirs
- 12 Male Choirs
- 13 Mixed Senior Choirs (55+)
- 14 Senior Choirs of equal voices (55+)

- 15 Musica Sacra a cappella
- 16 Musica Sacra with accompaniment
- 17 Music of Spirit and Faith
- 18 Musica Contemporanea equal voices (contemporary music)
- 19 Musica Contemporanea mixed voices (contemporary music)
- 20 Jazz
- 21 Gospel
- 22 Spiritual
- 23 Pop Ensembles
- 24 Pop Choirs
- 25 Scenic Pop / Show Choirs
- 26 Folklore a cappella
- 27 Folklore with accompaniment
- 28 Scenic Folklore







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