

a-cappella Workshop with amarcord

A unique opportunity for vocal ensembles to work with the pros from amarcord and benefit from their know-how.

amarcord is one of the most renowned vocal ensembles in the world. With over 1,500 concerts in more than 50 countries and numerous acclaimed recordings of their extensive repertoire ranging from Gregorian chants to contemporary music and their own arrangements the five singers from Leipzig have made a great reputation. Now they are happy to share their rich knowledge and experience with other vocal ensembles during the workshop.



The workshop will focus on the following aspects::

- Ensemble sound and basic techniques (intonation, homogeneity, balance etc.)
- Interpretation and different approaches to working out a musical piece (style, phrasing, vocal usage etc.)
- Work methods and interaction in an ensemble (amarcord look back on over 20 years of experience in working together)
- Stage presence and performance
- Individual feedback discussion after the concert

Every ensemble will get the chance to work with each member of amarcord and receive a wide range of advice and suggestions. Besides the workshop, being together for two days will provide many opportunities to get to know and exchange thoughts with amarcord as well as the other participating ensembles.

Participants:

- Up to 6 vocal ensembles, each consisting of 3-8 singers

Agenda:

Friday 24/06/2016

6 pm Visit to final motet of St. Thomas Boys
Choir at St. Thomas Church (Leipzig)
7:15 pm Trip to Reinharz Castle
8:15 pm Dinner and getting to know each other

Saturday 25/06/2016

Breakfast
Workshop unit (10 am – 1 pm)
Lunch
Workshop units (3 pm – 4.30 pm; 5 pm – 7 pm)
Dinner
Get-together

Sunday 26/06/2016

Breakfast
Workshop unit
Lunch
Rehearsal/concert preparations
3 pm Joint concert at the hall of Reinharz Castle
Followed by feedback discussions over coffee
and cake

Location: Reinharz Castle
Reinharz 87
06905 Bad Schmiedeberg
Germany



Reinharz Castle has that certain appeal of Baroque water castles and takes it to another level of its own with its landscape park and the surrounding nature preserve of the Dübener Heide. Far remote from the hustle and bustle of the city, it is a perfect location to work. The castle is currently being refurbished and provides an agreeable working atmosphere.

Accommodation in modern apartments by the castle and in double rooms in a nearby guest house

Applications: Please send your application including a short ensemble CV and an audio sample to info@forum-thomanum.de by 15/02/2016.

Charges:

Course fee: €1,000.00 per ensemble plus €150.00 per ensemble member for accommodation, boarding etc. (all prices incl. 19% value added tax)

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