

Excellence and Rigor

The Choir School helps children who love to sing grow into fine musicians and confident young adults.

For almost 25 years, The Choir School at St. Peter's has been nurturing musical talent and teaching essential life skills to young people from all over the region – singers from every walk of life who come together in Uptown Charlotte each week to rehearse, study, perform, and grow.

Choristers at The Choir School have the opportunity to experience all the benefits of arts education, learning to be fine musicians as well as great collaborators, problem solvers, and innovators. As valued members of a diverse and close-knit community, they gain cultural awareness, confidence, and a sense of independence. The program is open to all talented young singers, regardless of their ability to contribute financially.

Under the direction of Artistic Director Ben Outen, the five choirs of The Choir School offer three concerts each year in the historic sanctuary of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in uptown Charlotte. The school's central location also gives them access to collaborative opportunities made possible by its close proximity to some of the region's finest performance

companies, including Opera Carolina and the Charlotte Symphony.

Summer tour is one of many unique Choir School experiences. Older choristers travel for a week every summer, rehearsing and performing for new audiences daily and visiting iconic American cities like New York, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., and New Orleans. In 2015, the school's MasterSingers served as Choir in Residence at Salisbury Cathedral in Salisbury, England.

Boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 11 are welcome to visit a rehearsal, meet the Choir School school staff and faculty, or schedule an audition for the 2016-2017 Season, which begins with Choir Camp August 8–12, 2016. For more information, visit www.thechoirschool.org or contact Kay Johnson at kjohnson@thechoirschool.org or 704.749.6146.

“Arts education aids students in skills needed in the workplace: flexibility, the ability to solve problems and communicate, the ability to learn new skills, to be creative and innovative, and to strive for excellence.”

– Joseph M. Calahan, Director of Corporate Communications, Xerox Corporation

