



CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
OF THE GIFT OF TREES

National Cherry Blossom Festival

PARADE YOUTH CHOIR

2012 INDIVIDUAL APPLICATION

Student Name _____

Age _____ (please circle one) Male Female

School Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Director Name _____

Please indicate your desired size below:

Sweat Shirt Size (**Adult sizes**) S M L XL XXL (Please circle one)

Please submit your completed application to your director along with an individual check of \$25.00 made payable to your choir organization (or to whatever account your director specifies). He or she will then send all completed applications to our office, along with one check containing all the fees for the completed applications.

The group check should be made payable to "NCBF" and sent to:

Youth Choir
C/o Under the Sun Productions, Inc.
882 South Matlack Street, Suite 202
West Chester, PA 19382

Checks returned for insufficient funds will be assessed a \$35.00 processing fee



NATIONAL CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL PARADE®

AGREEMENT OF RELEASE

National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade®
1250 H Street, NW
Suite 1000
Washington, DC 20005

The undersigned will appear in the National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade® being given by the National Cherry Blossom Festival on Saturday, April 14, 2012. The parade is being given as a public service.

I assume any and all risks associated with participating in the events and particular activities that I agree to undertake, including but not limited to negligent or reckless acts by other participants and volunteers, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. I also agree to abide by the rules of the events as set forth by designated officials and supervisors.

Knowing these facts, and in consideration for being permitted to participate in the parade, I hereby, for myself, and on behalf of the members of my organization and my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns, or anyone else who might claim on my behalf, covenant not to sue, and waive release and discharge the National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade®, The National Cherry Blossom Festival, The District of Columbia, The National Park Service, JM Best Entertainment Inc., Under the Sun Productions Inc., ABC 7 WJLA, News Channel 8, any and all parade sponsors, and each of them, their officials, agents, designated event supervisory personnel or anyone acting for or on their behalf, from any and all losses, costs (including without limitation, litigation costs, and attorney fees), claims, damages, suits, actions, demands, liability, and expenses in connection with loss of life, personal injury and/or property damage of any kind whatsoever, in law or in equity, arising out of or in the course of my participation in the event.

The undersigned does hereby release his/her voice, biography, audio/visual clips and likeness(es) solely in connection with the promotion, advertising for this year and subsequent festivals, and archival use of the Parade (including print, radio, television, and Internet advertising and promotions, including promotional materials). The undersigned hereby grants the National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade® the right to broadcast, and /or to authorize others to broadcast, via radio, television, cable television, Internet, or otherwise. Clips provided that any such broadcast will be solely for purposes of promoting the Festival and/or Parade. Undersigned acknowledges and agrees that prior to, during or after the Parade, producers may, but will not be obligated to, disseminate information and various materials concerning the Event via the Internet, various online services or through other means or media.

The undersigned hereby accepts sole responsibility for the conduct and operation in the parade. The undersigned agrees that he/she/it will not involve or conduct itself in any manner that would negatively impact the good reputation of the parade. The undersigned agrees to be legally bound hereby.

Name _____

Name of Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date _____ Email _____

Signature _____

(Parental signature required, if under 18 years of age)



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PARADE MASS YOUTH CHOIR PROCEDURES & REQUIREMENTS

Please note: We are attempting to go electronic or internet-wise where ever we can. Music file and choreography link will be available for you to download as opposed to sending copies via postal mail. All music link and choreography link info will be sent to the studio director only. Please make sure you read all the info below as some of it has changed.

1. Each registered cast member is required to submit a completed application and a \$25.00 program fee per performer. The \$25.00 program fee per performer will include a National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade® sweatshirt which will be used as the costume for the production. **Groups should submit one check for the group along with individual applications. The check is made payable to “National Cherry Blossom Festival.”**
2. All cast members must attend a special rehearsal on **Friday, April 13, 2012** in the Washington DC area at a location TBD. The rehearsal will begin at 2:00PM and end at 3:30PM. During the rehearsals, we will stage and perfect the production and rehearse the music with a prerecorded track. **ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED AND MANDATORY!**
3. All cast members/full or partial choirs are responsible for their own transportation to and from rehearsals and the parade.
4. Tentatively, your **report time on Parade Day (April 14, 2012)** will be around 8:00AM for a rehearsal in the telecast area, which will be located on Constitution Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets. This year the parade will be broadcast on ABC 7 and News Channel 8 in the Virginia, Washington, and Maryland markets.
5. The parade and performances will take place RAIN or SHINE!
6. All individual cast member parents who have performers under the age of 18 must sign an Agreement of Release located on the back of the individual application.
7. All cast members are required to wear **BLACK PANTS, BLACK SOCKS, BLACK SHOES,** and your parade sweatshirt. Sweatshirts will be distributed at the April 13th rehearsal.
8. All cast members will be required to memorize all music and simple choreography.
9. Reserved parking will be available for buses only on parade day. Individual cars must park on their own.

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10. Once your individual applications and agreement of releases have arrived in our office, the choral director will be sent the information as to how to access the music link and sheet music link via the National Cherry Blossom Festival website. The studio director can then forward on the info to the individual participants, if desired. **Deadline for applications is February 15, 2012! No refunds after February 15th.**
11. Cast members are expected to conduct themselves in a professional, safe, and courteous manner during all rehearsals and performances.
12. Checks that are returned from the bank for insufficient funds will be returned to you and charged a \$35.00 process and handling fee.

The parade will be televised from 10:00AM until Noon. Depending on where the youth choir is in the line up, the latest you will be finished on parade day is approx. 12:15PM.

99% of communication for this event will be handed via email. It is suggested you add awalp6@aol.com to your email address book and make sure it is not blocked because of spam filters. Our office will communicate with the studio director mainly and then they can disseminate the info to individual performers, if desired.

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QUESTIONS:

Email us at awalp6@aol.com or call us at 610-431-1121