### **Important Information**



Application Deadline: **Postmarked** February 1, 2013

Once the application and non-refundable \$35 fee have been received the applicant will be mailed information which will include the audition date, time and location.

#### **Audition Dates & Locations**

- Saturday, February 16 in Columbia during Revolution
- Saturday, February 23 in Mullins
- Saturday, March 2 in Charleston
- Saturday, March 16 in Columbia
  - Sunday, March 17 in York

#### **Acceptance Letters Mailed:**

March 22, 2013

#### Camp (with mini-tour of SC)

Dates: June 18-26, 2013

Cost: \$375.00\*

Cost includes housing, meals, music, and choir shirts.

\*Paid only after acceptance into the choir.

Spirit Singers 2013 York, SC 29745 C/O Judy Suggs 1898 Rain Forest Dr.

## Spirit Singers 2013

South Carolina United Methodist Conference Youth Choir



Friendship, Musicianship, Fellowship and Mission.

The Spirit Singers is an auditioned group of teens from across South Carolina who love spreading the Gospel through song. This ministry of song, fellowship, leadership, and worship that glorifies and praises God.

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> **Spirit Singers 2013 Auditions:** February 16, 23, March 2, and March 16, 17

## Camp & Mini-Tour

#### June 18-26, 2013

The camp experience is exciting and demanding. Prepare for an incredible week of fun and hard work! Youth and staff will gather after lunch at Spartanburg Methodist College in Spartanburg on Tuesday June 18th to meet and greet each other!

Days will be FULL of fellowship, rehearsals, laughter, singing, fun, NAPS!, and more singing!!!! Youth real-



ly need to love singing to be a part of this group! In just a few days, all of the songs for the program (ten or so) will be learned, along with speaking parts, instrumentation, and some choreography.

It's an intense, full, musical time; but will provide teens with great friends, good memories and a wonderful worship experience. On Saturday the group departs the camp via tour bus to sing in various United Methodist venues across the state. During this time youth share their talents and ministry with South Carolinians eager to worship with young people.

Application form available online at www.umcsc.org

## Time Commitment

Youth who become Spirit Singers commit themselves to the whole schedule, which includes the Summer Camp & Mini Tour and some Saturday-Sunday Performance Weekends.

# Camp June 18-26, 2013 Performance Weekends

Saturday-Sunday

September 7-8, 2013

November 9-10, 2013

January 11-12, 2014

March 15-16, 2014



Teens between the ages of 13-17 on or before June 18, 2013 and are active in a United Methodist Church or UMYF program are eligible to participate in this choir.

Audition Application Form and the Audition fee must be completed and postmarked by February 1, 2013.

#### Questions???

If you have any questions please feel free contact either Kathy Jo Long, Director or Judy Suggs, Choir Dean.

Kathy Jo Long: 803-327-8356 kjoelong@bellsouth.net Judy Suggs: 803-417-8010 suggsp@comporium.net

Please duplicate this form, as needed, or request an online form at suggsp@comporium.net.

## **Auditions**

Auditions are open to youth who want to share their God-given talents with others.

Singers will enter into a covenant experience of hard work which pays off with wonderful rewards as Christ is proclaimed through song.

The level of musicianship of singers has risen dramatically over the years. The brief audition will check, among other things, a singer's range, pitch, accuracy, listening retention, and ability to harmonize and blend. Selection in the choir is based on talent, vocal quality, and one's willingness to "fit into the group" to sing for the Lord.

The director needs a few solo voices, but many choral voices are needed to create a beautiful, blended sound. The size of the group will be partially determined by the need to create a vocally balanced SATB (soprano, alto, tenor, bass) choir. This is a selection process, and some who audition may not be chosen. Whatever the outcome of the audition, each singer should continue to use his/her gift for the glory of God.



#### REMEMBER:

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