



AMERICAN FRIENDS OF JESUS COLLEGE CHOIR



American Friends of Jesus College Choir

Since the foundation of Jesus College in 1496, music has been at its heart and regular services in the College's ancient and beautiful chapel remain the Choir's core activity. In recent years, sharing that music with a wider community through recordings, broadcasts, concerts and tours has become a central part of the Choir's outreach. Through regular visits to the USA, the Choir seeks to build up a relationship with friends and communities who will help students and choristers alike to appreciate the rich cultural heritage of the country, whilst sharing the treasures of the English choral tradition with as wide an audience as possible.

Unique in Cambridge, the College has two choirs – the Chapel Choir of men and boys, which can trace its roots back several centuries, and the College Choir of undergraduate choral scholars, founded following the admission of women to the College. The schedule of activities is a busy one and the Choirs enjoy an international reputation for the quality of their music-making.



“Unobtrusively excellent” International Record Review

Touring is one of the most important aspects of the Choir's extra-curricular life. It takes the name of Jesus College to an international audience and offers choir members the opportunity to experience a range of countries and cultures. Furthermore, it offers alumni and friends of the College who live far away from Cambridge the chance to share in the music-making that forms a part of the daily life of the College community. The Choir is regularly invited to perform throughout the world, recently touring both the West and East Coasts of the USA, and countries all over Europe – France, Germany, Ireland and the Ukraine to name a few. The College Choir is also uniquely involved in an ongoing educational project, working with under-privileged children in countries such as India and Sri Lanka. The Choir hopes to establish a pattern whereby every undergraduate and chorister would visit the USA at least once in the course of their career as a choral scholar (usually three years) or chorister (between three to five years).

AMERICAN FRIEND OF THE CHOIR (\$250 OR MORE ANNUALLY)

- A biannual newsletter with details of concerts, evensongs, recitals and recordings
- A personal acknowledgement in the College's annual Donors' list, on the Choir website and in concert programmes (unless anonymity requested)
- Invitation to our annual Summer Donors' Garden Party & Evensong in Cambridge
- Invitation to a reception during the Choir's next USA tour
- Priority booking for concerts in Cambridge and the USA

AMERICAN PATRON (\$1,000 OR MORE ANNUALLY)

All the benefits of a Friend, plus:

- Copies of the termly Music List and Chapel Card
- Reserved seats at the annual Choir Patrons' Carol Service followed by a drinks reception
- A complimentary copy of all newly released CDs by the Choir
- An invitation to an open rehearsal with the Choir, and to meet the Director of Music and Choral Scholars, either in Cambridge or the USA
- Complimentary tickets to at least one concert given by the Choir in the USA
- The opportunity to attend dinner in the College Hall with the Dean, Director of Music and other Fellows
- The opportunity to advertise in USA tour concert programme booklets



“The Choir of Jesus College Cambridge
sings beautifully”

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Jesus College is proud to offer young singers the opportunity to be part of one of the most highly regarded and exciting choirs in Cambridge. Through the generosity of Friends and Patrons, the Choir of Jesus College has enjoyed the opportunity to perform major musical works alongside professional musicians, make regular recordings, engage in outreach projects and to share their music in many different parts of the world.

By becoming an American Friend or Patron of Jesus College Choir, you can help us to continue to strive for musical excellence and to share our music with audiences in the USA for many years to come.



“Jesus College has a unique musical heritage,
and today embodies the highest standards of
choral singing and organ playing. I am proud
to have been an Organ Scholar there and
would encourage all who are able to lend their
support to this valuable tradition”

*James O'Donnell, Organist and Master of the Choristers,
Westminster Abbey*

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Please choose your level of membership:

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I would like to become an American Friend of Jesus College Choir for this year and future years:

I wish to set up regular donations to the Choir by credit card. Please go to <https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/BSUF>. Please ensure you specify **Jesus College Cambridge** as the approved institution.

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I wish to give online by credit card. Please go to <https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/BSUF>. Please ensure you specify **Jesus College Cambridge** as the approved institution.

I enclose a check payable to 'BSUF' for \$_____.

Thank you very much indeed for your generous gift to the Choir. Your gift will enable us to continue to strive for musical excellence and to share the gift of music both now and in the future.

If you have donated online via BSUF please email development@jesus.cam.ac.uk to inform us. Otherwise please complete the donation form and return it to us at:

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Donor Transmittal Form

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