

## News from TABC | March 2019



### 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season Kicks Off at "State of the City" Event

Friday, March 1 marked the official kickoff of the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season with a special performance and announcement at the Tucson Chamber of Commerce's annual "State of the City" luncheon. The Touring Chorus performed pre-show music and sang the National Anthem to officially get the event underway. Mayoral candidate Dr. Ed Ackerley then took the podium to announce that Drs. Jane and Julian Ackerley had made a one-time gift of \$100,000 to the Chorus, the single largest monetary donation in the organization's history. Dr. Ackerley is celebrating his 40th year as director of the Chorus this year. Their gift that had long been in the works, but they saw the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an opportunity to reinvigorate community interest in the Chorus and to use their donation as a starting point for a larger campaign – to help secure the legacy of the chorus for 80 more years.

# 80th Anniversary Season

Mark your calendars for November 1 – 3 and help us



celebrate 80 years of TABC!

Find out more about our year-long celebration at this link.

Several events are already planned for this landmark anniversary season! In addition to November's reunion weekend, commissioned works by former chorister **Anthony Constantino**, special performances with the **Tucson Symphony Orchestra** and Irish group **The Chieftans**, and an **80<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorative book** are in the works.

We are actively looking for sponsors to become long-term partners with us and help us continue to be Tucson's "Singing Goodwill Ambassadors". Packages available for all levels – call (520) 296-6277 for more information.



#### Arizona Gives Day is Tuesday, April 2 Help Us Win the 5:00 pm "Power Hour"

#AZGivesDay (Arizona Gives Day) is an opportunity to double-down on your support for TABC. This special online giving day is on **Tuesday**, **April 2** and we could use YOUR help in ensuring the long-term viability of our organization.

Submit your donation at https://www.azgives.org/boyschorus

By submitting your minimum of 25 donation during from 5:00 - 6:00 pm we have an opportunity to win one of the "Power Hour" cash prizes. There are awards for the greatest number of individual contributors at the 25 mark as well as for greatest amount raised during the hour.

Share this double-down opportunity with your friends and family and challenge them to invest in the future of our young men.

#### TAYME and Touring Concert Friday, April 5, 7:00 p.m.

Join the Tucson Arizona Boys Chorus Touring Chorus and Young Men's Ensemble for a **FREE concert** on Friday, April 5 at 7:00 p.m. at **Casas Church 10801 N. La Cholla Blvd.** in the Barrier Chapel.

The performance will include a variety of music from Classical to Cowboy. We hope you can join us to help celebrate the expansion of our Young Men's Ensemble at this unique free concert in northwest Tucson. **Call 296-62977 for more details.** 



# **TABC Wins Music Award in**2019 Rodeo Parade

Congratulations are in order for our **TowneSingers** and their families. The group took home **1<sup>st</sup> place** in the Music category for the annual Fiesta de los Vaqueros. Our thanks to all the choristers, families, and alumni who came out on a very chilly February morning to sing, rope, and uphold one of Tucson's beloved traditions. Special gratitude goes out to **Sarah and Joe Pfannensteil** for organizing the TowneSinger parents and decorating our beautiful float. Thank you!



#### TABC Day Camp: Music + Numbers = FUN!

Sign up now for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual TABC Day Camp, happening **Monday, June 3 – Friday, June 7, 9:00 am – 3:00 p.m.** Boys receive **music instruction** in the mornings, and afternoons are filled with **STEM-focused activities** ranging from **arts & crafts** to **water fun to sports** and more! PLUS, we'll once again cap off the week with a **performance at the Reid Park Zoo** and post-concert celebration at the zoo



and nearby aquatic center. Tuition for the entire week is \$190 (early bird and chorister discounts available). Contact the office to register or for more information.

#### Tucson Arizona Boys Chorus Alumni Association Wants You!

Have you joined Tucson Arizona Boys Chorus Alumni Association? Network, get exclusive opportunities for concerts and events, and connect with other former members. Check boyschorus.org for more information or to sign up.



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