



Toward a More Perfect Union
CHORAL FESTIVAL

May 30 - June 1, 2026 | Boston, MA

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1776 - 2026



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Music Celebrations International is thrilled to invite your choir to perform in the **TOWARD A MORE PERFECT UNION CHORAL FESTIVAL** in Boston, Massachusetts. The Festival will take place May 30 - June 1, 2026 and will be one of several commemorative events in Boston celebrating the 250th anniversary of American Independence (1776-2026).



The **TOWARD A MORE PERFECT UNION CHORAL FESTIVAL** celebrates the power of music to inspire unity, understanding, and progress. Through song, we honor the shared journey of our nation – recognizing the struggles, hopes, and voices that continue to shape a more inclusive and equitable future for all. The setting for this event will be Boston's historic **SYMPHONY HALL** under the Artistic Direction of **DR. KEVIN FENTON**, Artistic Director and Conductor of the Festival Singers of Florida and Professor of Choral Conducting at Florida State University, and renowned composer and conductor, **JAKE RUNESTAD**.

Step into the heart of American history with a visit to Boston—the birthplace of the American Revolution. Walk the iconic Freedom Trail, explore sites like the Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum, and stand where the first shots for liberty rang out. From Paul Revere's midnight ride to the Boston Massacre, this city brings the story of America's fight for independence vividly to life around every cobblestone corner.

ITINERARY

DAY ONE : FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2026

- Afternoon arrival in Boston
- Meet your Tour Manager who will be with you for your entire stay in Boston
- Narrated riding tour of Boston including sites along the Freedom Trail and tour of Boston's neighborhoods
- Check-in to the hotel
- Dinner at a local restaurant

DAY TWO : SATURDAY, MAY 30

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning sightseeing includes a guided tour of Cambridge, stopping at Harvard University, then continuing to Concord and Lexington, battle sites of the Revolutionary War
- Lunch, on own
- Independent walking tour of the Freedom Trail includes Faneuil Hall, Quincy Market, Paul Revere's House, and the Old North Church
- Festival Welcome Dinner at the hotel
- *Evening rehearsal (3 hours)*
- Return to the hotel for overnight

DAY THREE : SUNDAY, MAY 31

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Depart for Boston Harbor
- Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum – Explore a full-scale replica of an 18th-century sailing vessel while learning about the famous event that forever changed the course of American history. The museum provides a multi-sensory experience that includes live actors and interactive exhibits
- Lunch, on own
- Self-guided tour of Bunker Hill Monument and the USS Constitution, "Old Ironsides"
- *Afternoon rehearsal (3 hours)*
- Dinner at a local restaurant
- Return to the hotel for overnight

DAY FOUR : MONDAY, JUNE 1

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Visit the JFK Library to see its iconic architecture and view the many original papers and correspondence of the Kennedy Administration. Step back into the re-created world of the early 1960's and experience first-hand the life and legacy of John and Jacqueline Kennedy
- Lunch, on own
- *Early Afternoon dress rehearsal with Orchestra*
- Dinner at a local restaurant or boxed dinner
- *Evening Performance*
- Return to the hotel for overnight

DAY FIVE : TUESDAY, JUNE 2

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Hotel check-out and board motorcoach
- Time for last-minute sightseeing and shopping
- Afternoon departure for home





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A Musical Commemoration of America's Independence

Celebrate America's 250th birthday in 2026 by embarking with your ensemble on a historic journey featuring iconic cities that played pivotal roles in the nation's founding – Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC. These cities are steeped in rich history, vibrant culture, and offer a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in the patriotic spirit of the United States.



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