

IT'S OUR 17TH YEAR!

CHORAL FESTIVAL AT BROOKHAVEN

Friday/Saturday, July 8 and 9, 2011

ROLL CREDITS!

As our Choral Festival at Brookhaven reaches its climax today and tomorrow, we would like to give credit where credit is due.

Kudos to Martin Rutishauser, our conductor and musical director.

This year's featured work was challenging and complex as well as captivating! His musical sensibilities and knowledge of the work made it wonderful to explore.

At the keyboard again is Jeanette Cooper, a veteran accompanist, chorister and choir director. Nobody, but nobody, understands the nuances of show music like she does, nor makes her way around those thousands of notes with more skill.

Our Youth and Children's Chorus directors join us for a second year. Eric Blatt and Christina Bonati-Henderson work wonders with our youngest members—truly a



pair of Pied Pipers!

Maurice Kemp is a familiar figure in the bass section, and this year has also lent his skills as an instrumentalist

by leading and accompanying sectional rehearsals.

Jeffrey Schneider is a welcome addition to the Choral Festival at Brookhaven. Jeff is the musical director for the North Shore Chamber Choir, a music liturgist and skillful leader of sectional rehearsals as well.

Our committee members include Mary Cappasso, Greg Barbera, Paulette Brinka, Betsy Choate, Jeanette Cooper, Neil Ferrara, Harvey and Marie Louise McChesney, Susan Murphy and Peg Rand, Mary Riotto, Pat Temke, Joe Vernice and Barbara Van Sant.

The Choral Festival wants to thank

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Our Choral Festival at Brookhaven has grown in a number of different directions over the past few years. As always, we work hard to make sure you have a terrific experience, get to perform music that is challenging, work with a professional orchestra, and provide beautiful music for our community.

We hope you will take a few minutes to answer some questions and make some observations about your experience this year, and make some suggestions of where we can continue to grow. Thanks, and we hope to see you next year!

What did you think of the musical selection? What would you enjoy singing next year?

How was the comfort level in the venue? (Bellport Middle School)

How did you find compressing the Festival into two weeks? (As opposed to weekly reading rehearsals for the month prior to the performance)

Are there other sorts of activities you would like to see us include? (a guest speaker, other kinds of musical experiences)

Do you feel you get good value for your registration fee?

Other comments

If you'd like more time to complete this survey, please mail it to Choral Festival at Brookhaven, PO Box 493, Farmingville, NY 11738, or respond by email to maryc63533@aol.com

We hope to see you next year!!