

Music Generation Offaly/Westmeath in a new partnership with the Association of Irish Choirs and the Arts Council, with international choral conductor **GREG BEARDSSELL** presents...

**DO YOU LOVE SINGING?
ARE YOU AGED 8–19?
APPLY NOW FOR
THE CHANCE TO
BE PART OF
Singfest 2016**



Singfest

THE JUNIOR CHOIR
(age 8 – 10)

is for girls and boys who enjoy singing and are ready for an introduction to vocal technique, musical skills and singing in harmony.

THE YOUNG VOICES CHOIR
(age 11 – 14)

is for girls and boys interested in expanding vocal technique, learning new musical skills and singing in parts.

THE SENIOR CHOIR
(age 14 – 19)

is a four-part choir offering girls and boys (whose voice has changed) the opportunity to join an ensemble that will challenge and extend musical experience and achievement.

The choirs will perform in SINGFEST, Music Generation Offaly/Westmeath's Birthday Gala Concert planned for **SATURDAY 11th JUNE 2016** in Athlone Institute of Technology.

CLOSING DATE for Applications
is Friday 17th December 2015

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APPLICATION FORM

YOUNG SINGER

NAME _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

SCHOOL _____ CLASS _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN

NAME _____

MOBILE NO. _____

EMAIL _____

ADDRESS _____

STATEMENT/EXPERIENCE

Tell us why you would like to participate and give any previous experience

YOUNG VOICES & SENIOR CHOIR APPLICANTS ONLY

Please indicate usual voicing

SOPRANO ALTO TENOR BASS UNKNOWN

REHEARSALS/PERFORMANCE

Please confirm that you can attend every rehearsal and performance. (Please tick)

REHEARSALS PERFORMANCE

27 FEB 12 MAR 23 APR 21 MAY 4 JUN 11 JUN

I understand that attendance at all of the rehearsals as listed and the final performance on Saturday June 11th 2016 is an essential requirement for participation in Singfest 2016.

Signature (Applicant) _____

Signature (Parent/Guardian) _____

RETURN TO: Music Generation Offaly/Westmeath c/o Offaly County Council, Áras an Chontae, Charleville Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly

Apply by email by providing the information above to MGOWSingfest2016@gmail.com

To find out more about Music Generation Offaly/Westmeath please see www.offaly.ie/musicgeneration or follow us on Facebook

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WHAT'S INVOLVED?

Over six months, children and young people will train with leading vocal and choral professionals in a relaxed yet challenging atmosphere.

During day long rehearsals, vocal warm-ups and musicianship training will be combined with great ensemble singing. Rehearsals will take place in Athlone Institute of Technology and participants are asked to check in advance that attendance at ALL rehearsals AND the final performance is possible. PLEASE check in advance for potential date clashes and note that this information will be used in the selection

REHEARSALS (Saturdays) 27 Feb
• 12 Mar • 23 Apr
21 May • 4 Jun

PERFORMANCE
Saturday 11th June 2016

HOW TO TAKE PART?

Enthusiastic, hard-working young people of all singing standards and experience are welcome. Please note we are expecting places to fill up fast – early application is advised.

Upon confirmation of place a membership fee of €30 is payable.

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