

CHOIR (JH & SH)

CCA days and timings:

Junior High

Monday: 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Friday: 2:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Senior High

Wednesday: 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Friday: 7.30 pm to 10.00 pm

Venue:

Choir Room: Junior High (Mon and Fri) and Senior High (Wed)

Schola Cantorum Singapore (SCS) Practice Studio @ Tai Seng: Senior High (Fri)

Introduction:

Welcome to the one and only Performing Arts CCA, where your instrument is none other than yourself!

In the Dunman High School Choir, there is bound to be fun while creating beautiful music with a group of united singers full of passion for singing. We constantly seek to become better performers through a rigorous and intentional choral programme. The choir is under the dedicated guidance of our conductors, Mr Albert Tay and Mr Reuben Lai. Their distinct yet contrasting conducting styles provide the choir with well-rounded rehearsal experiences that pushes the choir to reach greater heights.

For the Junior High Choir, a yearly feature would be staging the annual choir concert, which features a wide array of repertoire from timeless, classical to modern-day contemporary pieces. The choir emphasises on the importance of singing pieces of different languages to help broaden one's cultural appreciation. In addition, the choir learns choreography to animate our musical medleys, requiring immense team effort whereby choristers put in hard work and determination to deliver and achieve excellence on stage.

Physical training is an integral part of the choir training, because it helps strengthen our core muscles which improves our singing ability as it provides us with more support. The Junior High Choir has also over the years participated in choral exchanges with other Singapore and overseas choirs. This interaction between different choirs allows new friendships to furnish, as we learn from each other to improve our choral techniques as well as fosters strong cultural understanding.

For the Senior High Choir, you would have the opportunity to experience professional choral singing during our weekly external practice with the Schola Cantorum Singapore (SCS) Chamber Choir. Established in 2015, the SCS is a choral collective of singers to provide choral enthusiasts with an open outlook to music and singing. As part of the SCS, you can look forward to a variety of performing opportunities, such as the inaugural Singapore-International Festival of Music and the Esplanade's annual Voices Festival. SCS provides a nurturing environment for us to improve as musicians, as we are pushed to constantly find ways to sing to our fullest potential.

Apart from our links with SCS, we also keep in touch with our very own Dunman High School Alumni Choir. Every year, we get the opportunity to perform alongside our seniors to indulge ourselves in the joyous Christmas spirit! We have performed at multiple venues, such as Christmas Wonderland at Gardens by the Bay and Capitol Singapore!

The choir seeks not only to develop the musicality of every individual, but more importantly, we look to grow together as a family. "The choir's only as strong as its weakest member". Here at the Dunman High School Choir, we are never divided. We are one.

Achievements:

SYF Arts Presentations & International Choral Festivals

- SYF Arts Presentation for Choirs – Certificate of Distinction (since 2013)
- Asia Cantate Choral Festival – Gold B (Mixed Voices Open and Folklore categories) (2016)
- Winter Choral Festival – Gold (Mixed Voices Open and Folklore categories) (2014)

Guest & Invited Choirs

- Esplanade's A Tapestry of Sacred Music - Arvo Part PASSIO (with SCS Choir, 2019)
- ASEAN Law Association General Assembly Opening Ceremony (2018)
- Singapore Choral Festival (with SCS Choir, 2018)

