



8th
**WORLD CHOIR
FESTIVAL
ON MUSICALS**
27-30 APRIL 2018



WELCOME MESSAGE

We have the honor to invite you to Thessaloniki on May 2018 to participate to **8th World Choir Festival on Musicals.**

Thessaloniki, a sea front city with a historical presence more than 2.300 years, is situated in North Greece and it is the second in population city of Greece. It is a major economic, industrial and political centre and a major transportation hub for the rest of southeastern Europe; its airport and its commercial port are also of great importance. The pleasant Mediterranean climate and the hospitality of the people living in this historical city guarantee an unforgettable visit. Staying in Thessaloniki displays also a special archeological and cultural interest. In this way, the choirs can combine their participation in the Festival with the visit to the historical monuments of the city and daily trips in the surrounding area.

The Festival is dedicated

To Peace, Friendship, Collaboration, Brotherhood and Solidarity of people.

On behalf of the Board of Choir **"KORAIS"**
Stratos Tsichlas **Jasenka Ostojic**

President Artistic Director
of the Organizing Committee

See previous festivals

5th Festival

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7th Festival

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IDENTITY OF THE FESTIVAL



Opening ceremony in the Roman Forum

Eligible groups

- No competitive character.
- All kinds of choirs (children youth, adult, female, male and mixed) can participate.
- Dancing performances-choreographies that accompany the choirs are welcome.
- Dance schools or dancers' groups are welcome to participate with choreographies inspired from the world Musical repertoire.

Performance place

- The main performance will take place at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki - Ceremony Hall 1.100 seats situated in the center of the city.
- The Festival Opening Ceremony will take place on Saturday 28 April 2018 in the morning, at the Roman Agora-Forum, with the participation of all the choirs (you must sing 2 songs of free choice).

Arrival and departure

- Arrival in Thessaloniki on Friday 27 April 2018.
- Departure on Monday 30 April 2018, after breakfast.

MAIN CONCERT PROGRAMME

In each concert 2 honorary diplomas will be awarded. The audience prize and the artistic committee prize.

- Choirs with musical songs in their repertoire must interpret five (5) songs of which three (3) at least should be Musicals while the other two (2), free choice. Free songs is desirable to come from pop, jazz or cinema soundtracks. Performances will be in the evening of Saturday and Sunday 28 & 29 April 2018
- Friday 27 April 2018 and Sunday morning on 29 April 2018 the Festival schedule is free. Choirs that do not include Musicals in their repertoire, will participate with a repertoire of their own choice (5 songs).
- The repertoire of the choirs that will be sent and accepted can not be replaced without prior approval of the Artistic Committee.
- The Organizing Committee preserves the right to quit the implementation of the program of a choir, in case that the schedule duration will be exceeded.
- The Festival Hall is equipped with a piano. Choirs intending to use other musical instruments, must bring or hire then and inform the Organizing Committee accordingly.
- The choirs have also to inform the Organizing Committee in case of soloist participation at their program.
- The day and the order of appearance of each choir will be determined by the Organizing Committee and the choirs will be timely informed for this.
- The choirs should submit to the Organizing Committee a copy of the music works (scores) to the performed



PROVIDED SERVICES

- The accommodation of the choirs will be in double rooms, in hotels in the city of Thessaloniki.
- For every group of 20 people one person in double room free of charge will be provided.
- Two meals a day (breakfast and dinner) will be offered .
- On Sunday the 29 of April at night there is going to be a traditional Greek party with full food and drinks where each choir can present dances and songs from the place of its origin.
- The choirs from abroad will be escorted by an English speaking person.
- Sightseeing around Thessaloniki one of the days at noon.
- A memorabilia symbol of the Greek civilization Peace and Friendship - will be given to choirs.
- Print festival material to all choirs will be provided.
- All choirs will receive a diploma of participation.



PARTICIPATION FEE

3* Hotel

- 138 € per person
- In double room
- 3 nights
- Half board basis

4* Hotel

- 158 € per person
- In double room
- 3 nights
- Half board basis

5* Hotel

- 178 € per person
- In double room
- 3 nights
- Half board basis



ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- Tourism program can be available in agreement with the organizers.
- At your leisure you can visit resorts in neighbouring prefectures of Thessaloniki, like the beautiful crystal clear beaches Chalkidiki and Pieria, the city of Edessa with its waterfalls, you can visit the mountain Olympus and also the unique archaeological sites of Vergina, Dion or Pella.
- You may rent a coach for your optional excursions outside Thessaloniki
- The choirs who wish to take lunch, will have a discount at the price of the lunch at the hotel they are staying or could have a meal in city restaurants suggested by the Organizing Committee, at reasonable prices.
- The choirs can arrive earlier or extend their stay in Thessaloniki. The cost per day per person varies depending on the choice of the hotel class as follows.
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- The choirs, who apart from the English speaking escort would like to have a guide for their tour in the city they have to ask it from the Organizing Committee and it is going to be on their own cost.
- Entrance tickets to museums or leisure activities are not included in the participation price.
- Choirs coming by airplane and will require bus transportation they will be charged with an extra fee.

PARTICIPATION PROCEDURE

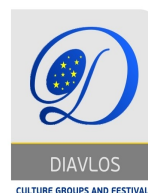
If you are interested in participating in the 8th World Choir Festival on Musicals, you are kindly requested to complete the

- Registration Form.
In addition, please send us:
- Brief history of your choir (no more than 200 words).
- Recent photo of your choir.
- Titles/composers of the music works to be performed.
- CD or DVD with at least two songs sung by the choir (they can be sent by e-mail or youtube).

The Artistic Committee of the Festival will select the choirs that will participate and

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**We look forward to welcome
you in April!**