For your information.

Member organizations are kindly requested to pass the information on to their membership.

## 13 December 2009:

## Share your activities on World Choral Day -For the promotion of solidarity, peace, and understanding through Choral Singing

Thousands of choirs have joined in the celebration of World Choral Day on or around the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in December in the past twenty years. Millions of singers across the globe have been involved in World Choral

Day concerts, festivals, sing-alongs, choral seminars, Days of Friendship and other events. The IFCM views World Choral Day as an important opportunity to promote the social values of choral singing and invites the choirs of the world to celebrate World Choral Day and share your experiences with colleagues across the globe.



## Share your activities on our website and on Youtube

We are inviting you to announce your World Choral Day activities - and to report to us about the event afterwards:

- Please write to <u>WorldChoralDay@ifcm.net</u>. Let us know WHAT EVENTS you are taking part in or organizing, HOW MANY people will be involved, WHERE it is taking place and WHO is/are responsible.
- Let us know afterwards HOW it all worked out
- We'd like to publish filmed recordings of the events on our special World Choral Day channel on Youtube. Just send your films to <a href="www.Youtube.com/WorldChoralDay@ifcm.net">WorldChoralDay@ifcm.net</a> and watch your own and your colleagues' contributions on www.Youtube.com/WorldChoralDay!

## **Themes**

The IFCM announces themes for World Choral Day. In the years 2009 and 2010 the theme will be "The rapprochement of cultures".

This is the United Nations theme for 2010 (also see <a href="http://portal.unesco.org/culture">http://portal.unesco.org/culture</a> and look for rapprochement) and it also fits our aims with the World Choral Day.

A proclamation written for the World Choral Day is usually read during the events. It has been translated into eight different languages and is available for download from the IFCM website.

Thank you for making a case for Choral Music on World Choral Day! You can contact us at <a href="WorldChoralDay@ifcm.net">WorldChoralDay@ifcm.net</a>.

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