

ARIZONA MUSIC
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2025 SOUTH CENTRAL REGION HONORS MUSIC FESTIVAL



SAHUARITA HIGH SCHOOL
350 SAHUARITA RD.
SAHUARITA, AZ 85629

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH 2025
3:30PM

VANESSA EASTMAN
SOUTH CENTRAL REGION GOVERNOR





SOUTH CENTRAL REGION FESTIVAL CHOIR
DR. TIMOTHY WESTERHAUS, DIRECTOR
SHANTELL FUNCKES, COLLABORATIVE PIANIST



Living in a Holy City

Stephen Hatfield

We Are the Music
Makers

Reginal Wright

Nitohtamok Askîy
(Listen to the Land)

Sherryl Sewepagaham

To Sit and Dream

Rosephanyne Powell

Better is One Day

Trey McLaughlin

Es Tu Tiempo
(It's Your Time)

Francisco J Núñez



DR. TIMOTHY WESTERHAUS, DIRECTOR SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL CHOIR

Timothy Westerhaus is passionate about transforming humankind through choral music that fosters empathy, builds inclusive community, and deepens understanding through diverse programming and collaborations. He seeks to advocate for singing among all ages and to engage choral beauty with contemporary issues relevant to society, justice, and culture in local and global communities. In 2021, he joined Northern Arizona University's Kitt School of Music as Director of Choral Studies, conducting Shrine of the Ages Choir and directing the graduate choral conducting program. Since 2022, he has served as Artistic Director of Choral Arts Northwest in Seattle.

From 2010 to 2021, Tim served as Director of Choirs and Vocal Studies at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, serving also as Music Department Chair from 2017 to 2021. He recently served as President of the Northwestern Region of the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) and as the University & College Curriculum Officer of the Washington Music Educators Association (WMEA). He founded and conducted the professional-level chamber chorus, Spokane Kantorei, and served as music director of St. John's Cathedral. He currently serves as a member of the National Collegiate Choral Organization Board, on the Western ACDA Board as Repertoire & Resources Coordinator, and on the National ACDA Standing Committee on Collaboration and Advocacy.

Tim has conducted collegiate and professional ensembles in the United States, Europe, Colombia, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and South Korea, where he was a Conducting Fellow of the International Conductor Exchange Program. In 2025, NAU Shrine of the Ages will perform under his direction at the San Juan Canta International Choir Festival in Argentina. He has led ensembles in performances at regional conferences of ACDA and the National Association for Music Education and at WMEA state conferences. As a tenor, he sings professionally in the Oregon Bach Festival Chorus and has sung there under Helmuth Rilling, Matthew Halls, Jos van Veldhoven, John Butt, JoAnn Falletta, and Craig Hella Johnson; he performs as a solo and collaborative pianist; and he leads baroque performances from the harpsichord. Dr. Westerhaus received his music degrees from the University of Saint Thomas, studying with Angela Kasper, and from Boston University, where he studied with Ann Howard Jones, Dennis Shrock, and Joshua Rifkin.

An outdoor enthusiast, Tim enjoys running, cross-country skiing, and backcountry camping, whether in the Washington Cascades or Arizona San Francisco Peaks.

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR CHOIR

SOPRANO

Odie Nelson.....	Flowing Wells
Kirsten Risch.....	Flowing Wells
Kaidence Risch.....	Flowing Wells
Maviny Hyatt.....	Canyon del Oro
Bela Sadler.....	The Gregory School
Chloe Collette.....	Marana
Ella Long.....	Flowing Wells
Kaiana Anderson.....	Sahuaro
Kathleen Conroy.....	Flowing Wells
Carmen Angel.....	Rincon/University
Lyla Grubbs.....	Marana
Harloh Troy.....	Flowing Wells
Audrey Mattus.....	Canyon del Oro
Maddison Brownfield.....	Flowing Wells
Adalyn Chue.....	Rincon/University
Lauriel Cotton.....	Walden Grove
Brooke Benson.....	Flowing Wells
Ana Furlong.....	Rincon/University
Scarlett Obral.....	Marana
Trinity Klug.....	Flowing Wells
Daniella Villa.....	Flowing Wells
Neviya Mendez.....	Salpointe Catholic
Eliana Pinales.....	Sahuarita
Olivia Murray.....	Walden Grove
Lyla Schaeffer.....	Marana

ALTO

Sarah Thompson.....	Flowing Wells
Bailee Dollard.....	Marana
Bella Alvarez.....	Rincon/University
Anacelia Moore.....	The Gregory School
Ariza Murillo.....	Flowing Wells
Brooklyn Collette.....	Marana
Azsure Troy.....	Flowing Wells
Gionna York.....	Flowing Wells
Isabelle Lopez.....	Flowing Wells
Blythe Porter.....	Walden Grove
Anna Winkler.....	Rincon/University
Juno Chapman.....	Flowing Wells
Jannell Delp.....	Marana
Emma Weller.....	Marana
Jeanette Montaña-Chavez.....	Flowing Wells
Claire Meador.....	Flowing Wells
Valerie Norman.....	Rincon/University
Aubrey Fisher.....	Rincon/University
Isis Valencia.....	Marana
Bella Pendolino.....	Rincon/University
Lorelai Obral.....	Marana
Ash Kraft.....	Rincon/University
Haile Kearns.....	Marana
Alyssa Jimenez Badilla.....	Rincon/University
Sophia Clark.....	Marana

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR CHOIR

TENOR

Max Stolz.....	Flowing Wells
Wesley Roberts.....	Marana
Diego Arvayo Leon.....	Flowing Wells
Lloyd Ritter.....	Flowing Wells
Sayuri Grijalva.....	Flowing Wells
Zander Basham.....	Sahuaro
Santiago Racina.....	Flowing Wells
Adam Lowry.....	Flowing Wells
Isaac Ahumada Fuentes.....	Salpointe Catholic
Kylyn Ritter.....	Flowing Wells
Jason Oldham.....	Marana
Violet Zollicoffer.....	Palo Verde Magnet
Jacob Baldenegro.....	Flowing Wells
Sonne Blakie.....	Palo Verde Magnet
Jose Noriega.....	Flowing Wells
Lily Fletcher.....	Marana
Jazlynn Loebe.....	Flowing Wells
Tatum Owles.....	Palo Verde Magnet
Nathan Limon.....	Marana
Daniel Rodgers.....	Palo Verde Magnet

BASS

Braden Bridges.....	Rincon/University
Samuel Austin.....	Flowing Wells
William Roberts.....	Marana
Jarom Porter.....	Marana
Preston White.....	Flowing Wells
Max Yoakum.....	Rincon/University
Caleb Hyatt.....	Canyon del Oro
Christian Holmes.....	Flowing Wells
Joshua Cazares.....	Flowing Wells
Jacob Davies.....	Marana
Sebastian Holmes.....	Flowing Wells
Jeremiah Spyers.....	Rincon/University
Rafael Crespo.....	Flowing Wells
Jack Feeney-Munoz.....	Rincon/University
Wilde Smiljanic.....	Rincon/University
Gianni D'Arpino.....	Flowing Wells
Ryder McAllister.....	Rincon/University
Alex Murrillo.....	Canyon del Oro
Jake Wences.....	Flowing Wells
Adam Singer.....	Sahuaro
Shane Dille.....	Sahuarita
Jonah Weisbrod.....	Palo Verde Magnet
Gavin Waite.....	Rincon/University
David Burgoyne.....	Palo Verde Magnet
Trevor Blomquist.....	Palo Verde Magnet



SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR ORCHESTRA



Ken Marrs, Director

Millennium

Richard Meyer

An American Elegy

Frank Ticheli

Waltz of the Flowers
(from the Nutcracker Suite)

Pyotr Tchaikovsky

Symphony No 8 in G Major
op 88 - Movement I
(formerly called Symphony No 4)

Antonín Dvořák



**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR
ORCHESTRA
KEN MARRS, DIRECTOR**

Ken Marrs, originally from Detroit, Michigan, studied the double bass with Derek Weller, Stuart Sankey, Bruce Bransby and Lawrence Hurst. He holds a bachelor's degree in choral and instrumental music education from Indiana University and a master's degree in choral conducting from the University of Arizona. Ken has performed with the Ann Arbor, Flint, Saginaw Bay, Toledo, and Tucson Symphony Orchestras, the Arizona Opera Company as well as with True Concord. Ken has taught and/or performed with orchestras on four continents. He currently teaches orchestra, concert band, and jazz band at Mica Mountain HS in the Vail School District.

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL HONOR ORCHESTRA

VIOLIN I

Oswaldo Hogrelius.....	Rincon/University
Carly Cook	Canyon del Oro
Nathaniel Friesen.....	Rincon/University
Leila Mossadeghi.....	Rincon/University
Evan Lehner.....	Canyon del Oro
Sasha Leyva.....	Rincon/University
Jacob Martinez.....	Marana
Maya Badghisi.....	Rincon/University
Sophia Baltazar.....	Mountain View
Jeanette Mendoza.....	Sunnyside
Andrea Wheeler.....	Marana
Caleb Wroth.....	BASIS Tucson North
Sofia Gallegos-Gulliver.....	Rincon/University
Daniel Wu.....	BASIS Tucson North
Jennie Jung.....	Rincon/University
Shannon Deyo.....	Marana
Dylan Webber.....	The Gregory School
Avery Kimbrough.....	BASIS Tucson North
Keaton Starks.....	Rincon/University
Sophia Wright.....	BASIS Tucson North
Andrew Litz.....	Marana

VIOLIN II

Angela Victory.....	Rincon/University
Ashley Jo.....	Rincon/University
Violetta Fregoso.....	Rincon/University
Paulina Castro.....	Mountain View
Nailia Collazo.....	Sahuarita
Xander Williams.....	Marana
Andrew Wu.....	BASIS Tucson North
Violeta Fernandez.....	Rincon/University
Juhi Shankar.....	Rincon/University
Tenli Woodall.....	Ironwood Ridge
Katie Perry.....	Mountain View
Henry Turner.....	Canyon del Oro
Ava Auerbach Landeen.....	Sahuarito
Kayleigh Carpenter.....	Flowing Wells
Brianna Johnson.....	Rincon/University
Ruby Schulte.....	Ironwood Ridge
Makayla Huerta.....	Flowing Wells
Sophia Joslin.....	Marana
Salomon Borboa.....	Sahuarita
Matthew Riehle.....	Ironwood Ridge
Danika Olivas.....	Flowing Wells
Naomi Taylor.....	Sahuarita

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR ORCHESTRA

VIOLA

Jonathan Yu.....	Rincon/University
Cecilia Kramer.....	Rincon/University
Keylee Newman.....	Marana
Carly Kaplan.....	Marana
Aiden Chavez.....	Ironwood Ridge
Robert McGregor.....	Rincon/University
Joseph Lindsey.....	Sahuaro
Evan Friesen.....	Rincon/University
Julia Swoape.....	Walden Grove
Adrian Valenzuela.....	Sunnyside
Amara San Angelo.....	Canyon del Oro
Rebecca Turner.....	Canyon del Oro
Atticus Adams.....	The Gregory School
Yaretzi Duarte.....	Desert View

CELLO

Ella Horn.....	Rincon/University
Colin Friesen.....	Rincon/University
Isaac Martinez.....	Marana
Jane Shin.....	The Gregory School
Ava Soto.....	Sahuaro
Quentin Hill.....	BASIS Tucson North
Braden Bridges.....	Rincon/University
Lan Nguyen.....	Rincon/University
Louisa Collins.....	Canyon del Oro
Emmaline Wright.....	BASIS Tucson North
Jon Yang.....	BASIS Oro Valley
Jolie Wung.....	Rincon/University
Cheyenne Hinojosa.....	Marana
Rebecca Boyle.....	Marana
Alexa Villa.....	Sunnyside

BASS

Maddie Wallace.....	Rincon/University
Mark Barker.....	Rincon/University
Evelyn Kirchoff.....	Flowing Wells
Anthony Fernandez.....	Flowing Wells
Johannah Urbina.....	Desert View
Isabella Osborne.....	Sahuaro
Lorena Weke.....	Desert View
Alexa Gonzalez.....	Sahuarita
Ethan Boardman.....	Ironwood Ridge
Liz Dionise.....	Canyon del Oro

HARP

Desiree Blute.....	The Gregory School
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SOUTH CENTRALWEST REGIONAL HONOR ORCHESTRA

PICCOLO

Sarah Lu.....Rincon/University

FLUTE

Leif Terre.....Rincon/University

Augustus Mitchell.....Canyon del Oro

OBOE

Isaac Lee.....Rincon/University

BASSOON

Diego Hernandez-Sosa.....Rincon/University

CLARINET

Kosta Karagiannis.....Canyon del Oro

Therese Bunyi.....BASIS Tucson North

BASSOON

Logan Andrew.....O'Connor HS

Hannah Gray.....Red Mountain HS

HORN

William Dawson.....Walden Grove

Geneva Sparks.....Sahuarita

Addi Fink.....Rincon/University

Gabriella Molina.....Walden Grove

TRUMPET

Esteban Alejandro.....Walden Grove

Oliver Ward.....The Gregory School

Natalie McCarthy.....Flowing Wells

TROMBONE

Joshua Parker.....The Gregory School

Maysen Garcia.....Canyon del Oro

Anthony Jimenez.....Canyon del Oro

TUBA

Brian Aldrich.....Rincon/University

PERCUSSION

Jorge Gallegos.....Canyon del Oro

Porter Miller.....Sahuarita

Allison Kretchmer.....Walden Grove



SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR BAND

Erin Cole Steele, Director



Children's March

Percy Grainger
arr. Wagner

Eureka

Katahj Copley

Pipe and Thistle
(Sketches of Scotland)

Carol Brittin Chambers

A Place Like Home

Adrian B. Sims

Choose Joy

Randall D. Standridge



SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR BAND ERIN COLE STEELE, DIRECTOR

Erin Cole Steele is the Director of the Division of Education and Senior Educational Clinician for Conn Selmer Inc. In addition, she is an Academic Associate at Arizona State University's School of Music, Dance, and Theatre. Previously, Erin was the Director of Bands at Tapp Middle School in Cobb County, Georgia (1995-2017) where she was named Teacher of the Year. Under her leadership, the Tapp Band received numerous accolades including performing at the 58th annual Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic. During her tenure at Tapp MS, she commissioned four pieces of music including Robert W. Smith's "The Great Locomotive Chase," Frank Ticheli's "Simple Gifts-Four Shaker Songs," Samuel R. Hazo's "Ascend," and was part of a consortium commissioning Eric Whitacre's "The Seal Lullaby."

Erin is a contributing editor for Hal Leonard's Essential Elements for Band. She has written chapters for three editions of the GIA publication series Teaching Music Through Performance and most recently wrote a chapter for the book Rehearsing the Middle School Band by Stephen Meyer.

Erin is an active guest conductor and speaker. She has presented sessions at the Midwest Clinic on several occasions as well as state and international conferences. She has served as the guest conductor for numerous All-State and regional honor bands, appearing in over 30 states. She served as the conductor for Youth Bands of Atlanta from 2011-2017 and a conductor for the "Encore" Music Camp for several years. She was the founder and administrator of the Cobb County Summer Band Camp in Georgia. Erin has served as a clinician for the Music for All Summer Symposium and is currently on the teaching faculty and executive director for The Conn Selmer Institute.

Erin earned her bachelor's degree in music education from the University of Georgia in 1995. While at the University of Georgia, she played cello, flute, and piccolo in the University Symphony Orchestra, chamber groups, Symphonic and Concert Bands, and the Redcoat Marching Band. Erin's professional affiliations include Phi Beta Mu, Sigma Alpha Iota, and the National Band Association from whom she was awarded the Citation of Excellence three times (2015, 2008, and 2003).

As a passionate supporter of school music programs, she continues to remain active in instrumental classrooms throughout the country and enjoys traveling for guest conducting and speaking engagements. Erin now resides in Scottsdale, Arizona where she and her husband Andrew enjoy hiking and biking on the weekends.

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR BAND

PICCOLO

Keely Starks.....Rincon/University

FLUTE

Melanie Thompson.....Flowing Wells

Roi Gisches.....The Gregory School

Lachlan Schreiber.....Rincon/University

Jessika Martinez.....Desert View

Corrine Cervini.....Flowing Wells

Makenzie Miller.....Sahuarita

Kayla Gygi.....Flowing Wells

Austin Shaloo.....Rincon/University

Lily Peralta.....Desert View

Mariajose Mendivil.....Rio Rico

Jayden Washington.....Rincon/University

Noelani Mero.....Rincon/University

OBOE

Daniel Vasquez Bravo.....Desert View

Jude Gillespie.....Ironwood Ridge

BASSOON

Bryce Falkoff.....Marana

Asher Ludwick.....Sahuarita

CLARINET

Adam Ptak.....BASIS Oro Valley

Jack Borens.....The Gregory School

Andre Jimenez.....Nogales

Diego Alvarez.....Nogales

Anais Gonzalez Fimbres.....Nogales

Hannah Jones.....BASIS Tucson North

Jayse Hinkle.....Sahuarita

Adam Tripp.....Ironwood Ridge

Joshua Escobar.....Walden Grove

Naomi Perez.....Sahuarita

Yamara Jimenez.....Canyon del Oro

Owen Merten.....Rincon/University

Han Cho.....Sahuarita

Jack Humphries.....Rincon/University

Natalia Sandoval.....Nogales

Marco Valenzuela.....Rincon/University

Gavin Pacanowski.....The Gregory School

Aubrianna Segovia.....Sahuarita

Joseph Williams.....Pueblo

Penelope Ashbeck.....Rincon/University

Madison Valencia.....Sahuarita

Nick Martinez.....Desert View

Aleni Velarde.....Pueblo

Caesar Moulinet.....Flowing Wells

Nolan Bargas.....Rincon/University

Audrey He.....Rincon/University

Zoe Engel.....Ironwood Ridge

Avery Mason.....Rincon/University

Diana Mata.....Rincon/University

Prescilla Vasquez.....Sunnyside

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR BAND

BASS CLARINET

Geraldo Salas-Fregoso.....Rincon/University
Jaylen Shelley.....Rincon/University
Lexi Taylor.....Rincon/University
Iliana Toledo.....Sunnyside

CONTRA CLARINET

Bria Madrigal.....Flowing Wells

ALTO SAXOPHONE

Alden Stealey-Euchner.....Canyon del Oro
Elise Smith.....Walden Grove
Jack Grimm.....Walden Grove
Edward Tsai.....BASIS Tucson North
Isaac Montano.....Marana
Quinten Wang.....Rincon/University

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Celeste Barrett.....Walden Grove
Edgar Maciel.....Rincon/University

BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Daniel Provenzano.....Rincon/University
Adrian Giles.....Nogales

TRUMPET

Selvin Ham.....Rincon/University
Nicolas Treto.....Nogales
Milo Fox.....Rincon/University
Michelle Martinez-Beltran.....Walden Grove
Aithen Hernandez.....Nogales
Marco Alcantar.....Ironwood Ridge
Emma Leyva.....Sahuaro
Alex Provenzano.....Rincon/University
Mya Lennox.....Sahuarita
Jerred Christensen.....Sahuarita
Aurora Barrett.....Walden Grove
Connor Roth.....Mountain View
Chuy Herrera.....Rincon/University

HORN

Anya Merten.....Sahuarita
Chase Woodall.....Ironwood Ridge
Zach Beaty.....Flowing Wells
Durham Curtis.....Sahuarita
Armin Jacobo.....Rio Rico
Kirsten Reeves.....Rincon/University
Morgan Heise.....Ironwood Ridge
Nathaniel Dominguez.....Rincon/University

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL HONOR BAND

TROMBONE

Lucas Schroeder.....	Mountain View
Freddy Alejandro.....	Nogales
Brenna Shupe.....	Rincon/University
Dre Montano.....	Ironwood Ridge
Ethan Campos.....	Ironwood Ridge
Xavier Burruel-Magallanez.....	Rincon/University
Molly Maldonado.....	Sahuarita
Max Katz.....	Rincon/University
Will Laws.....	Sahuarita

EUPHONIUM

Julian Osuna.....	Rincon/University
Sylvia Russell.....	Canyon del Oro
Alvis Weaver Jr.....	Flowing Wells
Lucas Rodriguez.....	Sahuarita

TUBA

Ethyn Robeldo.....	Marana
Troy Edwards.....	Sahuarita
Jaime Lopez.....	Sahuarita
Willow Schorr.....	Rincon/University
Rafael Fuentes.....	Desert View
Makayla Huerta.....	Walden Grove

DOUBLE BASS

Michaela Preciado.....	Cholla Magnet
Angel Flores-Cortina.....	Cholla Magnet

PERCUSSION

Reed Bennon.....	Rincon/University
Maddie Kiburz.....	Rincon/University
Matthew Schvarcz.....	Canyon del Oro
Christopher Molina.....	Sahuaro
Jaycob Mills.....	Flowing Wells
Peter Marrone.....	Rincon/University

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

South-Central Region would like to thank Palo Verde High School for hosting the band, choir, and orchestra auditions. Thank you to the teachers who allowed us to use their rooms, administration for their support, as well as some students for their help in making auditions a success from set up to tear down.

Also, thank you to Jenny Campman and Adam Jones (Flowing Wells), for hosting our pre-festival rehearsals for choir and orchestra.

Special thanks also to the Rincon/University Marching Band Association for providing room monitors for audition day, and to Karen Spencer and Jeff Marchant (Rincon/University) for their work on getting these wonderful parents organized and trained.

Many thanks to the Sahuarita High School administration, Stephanie Magnuson and Yvette Favela, auditorium manager, Evan Gomes and our site host and Sahuarita band director, Ben Garland, for opening up their spaces to host 300+ musicians and their directors these past two days. Thank you for being so welcoming!

South-Central Region Leadership

Amy Brewer.....	AMEA VP of High School Activities
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PURPOSES OF THE ARIZONA FESTIVAL OF PERFORMANCE FOR HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS

The Arizona Music Educators Association, Inc. is comprised of over 1700 music educators who provide instruction at all levels of the Arizona educational system, and students who are enrolled in music teacher preparation programs in the state colleges. Through its choral and instrumental constituent organizations, AMEA annually sponsors the regional and state festivals of performance for musically talented high school students. These festivals serve the following educational purposes:

- to recognize skill in instrumental and vocal performance.
- to encourage further development of outstanding musicianship.
- to provide a performance opportunity to the state's future music leaders that is otherwise not available at the high school level.
- to emphasize with school administrators and the public at large the importance of music as a part of a well-rounded education of Arizona students.
- to establish for the youth of Arizona special performance opportunities comparable to those available to young people in any of the other 49 states.
- to bring nationally recognized conductors to instruct, inspire, and evaluate the accomplishments of students the Arizona high schools.
- to maintain and raise the level of musical performance at the high school level.
- to make available a unique in-service education opportunity for Arizona music educators.

IN APPRECIATION...

We, the directors and music teachers want to thank you for your support of our music programs by attending concerts and encouraging your children to strive for music excellence. We hope our efforts produce life-long musicians and/or music appreciation, positive character traits, and good citizens. You play an important part. You can help our effectiveness by encouragement in the home, influencing other parents, and informing principals, administrators, and district superintendents of your appreciation and the importance of the music programs in your schools. If you don't let them know about the positive aspects, they may assume nothing is going on. The administration may consider cutting a worthwhile music program. Again, thanks for your children and your support.

Your Music Teachers and Directors

ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE FESTIVAL

Approval for the All-Region Festival of Performance for High School Musicians is given by the Arizona Music Educators Association, Inc.

The All-Region Festivals have been initiated in an attempt to involve more students in festival activities. Students completing the Regional Festivals will qualify to audition for the All-State Festival.

Students are auditioned for participation by teams of specialists selected from members of the Choral and Instrumental sections of AMEA. These auditions emphasize not only performance ability but overall musicianship as well. Any choral or instrumental music teacher unfamiliar with the content and procedures used for these auditions is invited to attend and participate in the AMEA planning sessions.

The festival must be self-supporting but is not intended as a money-making event. Any deficit is underwritten and absorbed by the AMEA.

The Arizona Music Educators Association welcomes constructive suggestions for improving the Festivals of Performance for High School Musicians. Such Suggestions should be in writing and may be sent to the AMEA president or the vice-president in charge of the choral or instrumental section of AMEA.