International Travel

The Alexandria Harmonizers brought their music to China, France, Germany, and the United Kingdom and saw the power of harmony bring different people and cultures together.

In September 2012, the Harmonizers enjoyed a thrilling seven-day performance tour of China. The Toronto Northern Lights joined Alexandria in a formal concert at the Forbidden City Concert Hall in Beijing. Both choruses were sort of surprised by the calm response of the audience until we learned that the audience had been coached to be calm and very respectful. Every Harmonizer was "taken" by our singing experience on the Great Wall of China. We faced the length of the wall so when our focal went up we were looking up at the mountain, the wall, and its towers.



The Harmonizers were honored to participate in ceremonies at Normandy, France on or about June 6, 2014, commemorating the 70th Anniversary of the D-Day Landings. We performed in concerts at the American Cemetery, Brittany; Sainte-Mère-Église; and American Cemetery, Omaha Beach. At Les Ventes, France we sang in remembrance of Army Air Corps pilot Billie D. Harris and met his widow, Peggy Harris, who, until 2006, never knew his fate and heroic action when crashing a stricken plane away from this

small French village in July 1944. It was a major emotional highlight when Anthony Colosimo sang the solo in "Bring Him Home" to Peggy Harris. Following these events we performed in concerts at Paris, France and Cologne, Germany.

In August 2019 the Harmonizers brought their new "Circle of Life" repertoire to numerous venues in England and Scotland. At Stockton, UK we shared the stage with the BABS Champion Cottontown Chorus. After our concert in Alexandria's sister city, Dundee, Scotland, we presented the Lord Provost a proclamation from the Mayor of Alexandria proclaiming "Alexandria-Dundee Kinship Day." A crowd of attendees at the eclectic Edinburgh Fringe Festival gave the "Alexandria Harmonizers On Broadway" a standing ovation in the 1,000-year-old Giles Cathedral.

Harmonious Tagline. Joe Cerutti, Jr. became Artistic Director of the Alexandria Harmonizers in January 2007. He is a certified music judge and one of only three people to earn the title of Master Director in both Sweet Adelines International and the Barbershop Harmony Society (BHS). He is currently full-time staff at BHS as Director of Leadership Engagement. Joe earned a Mus.B.in Music Education and Jazz Commercial Music from Five Towns College and a M.M. in Choral Conducting from Boston University. He holds memberships in the National Collegiate Choral Organization, American Choral Directors Association, National Association for Music Education, Intercollegiate Men's Choruses, and Chorus America. Joe has served as judge, faculty, and clinician for several choral festivals and conductors roundtables around the world.