

CHOIR NAME: JOYFUL SOUNDS

Province: KwaZulu Natal

Conductor: Mr. P Khuluse

Charman: Mr I Mbonambi

Joyful Sounds Choral is a new choir established in January 2016 based in Durban. The founders of the choir are Mr. P Khuluse (Conductor) and Mr I Mbonambi (The choir manager).The choir is currently comprising of 55 voices based at Kwamashu.Its members are mainly scholars and students around INK (Inanda, Ntuzuma and KwaMashu).

Choirs member are young and very eager to learn and explore more in choral music fraternity. Most of the choristers are learners at the famous JG Zuma High School where rehearsals are taking place.

The aim of Joyful Sounds Choir is to enhance the talent of youngsters through advance skills development in choral, classical, indigenous and opera music and also to develop the youth from disadvantaged background. The choir also aims on devoting more attention on mobilizing youth to engage in programmes, fostering social cohesion, nation building and community engagement.

Participation/Performances and Achievements

- *The choir has performed in various occasions such as weddings, funerals and local festivals*
- *2016: The choir was invited to be in partnership with KZN Playhouse Company performances.e.g. Mozart Requiem*
- *2016: The choir participated at KZN Arts and Culture Music Competition and won position 1 in both songs at Development Category*
- *2016: The choir entered NCF (National Choir Festival) at regional level as its first inception on Standard Category and won position 3 overall*
- *2017: The choir was requested to defend the tittle for Arts and Culture on Development Category and didn't disappoint won position one for both songs*
- *2017: The choir obtained position 1 and 2 at the regional NCF and had to represent the province at the finals*
- *2018: The choir participated on Intermediate and obtained position 1 for Isitibili, position 1 Bass soloist and position 2 on Western piece at KZN Arts and Culture Music Competition*