

Barbershop Harmony Society Far Western District Harmony Camp

Harmony Camp has been operating in Northern California for about twenty years, I have directed Harmony Camp since 2003.

We typically have anywhere from 90 to 100 boys along with one or two top level quartets, four top clinicians and 40 volunteers who do the work (kitchen, chaperoning, and singing with the boys on the risers).

It is simply magic the way this all works when we put all of these ingredients together and watch the magic unfold.

We run from Friday evening with late afternoon registration and dinner followed by our first general session. Then Saturday is filled with classes teaching good singing practices and things like tag singing, vocal production, and how to be a good lead, tenor, baritone, bass. Quartet coaching is also available.

The five general sessions follow each of the meals and this is where the boys are taught four songs that they will sing on the Friends & Family show Sunday morning. The show is free to the public and always spectacular.

The boys invariably come home from Camp excited about singing, and particularly excited about barbershop singing. But the main point is that their enthusiasm rubs off on their peers and the rest of the choir members when they see the excitement of those who attended camp.

Please encourage male students to join us at Harmony Camp 2022 - they will love it. We invite Music Educators to join us yourself, no cost, and see what we are doing.

Camp is October 21-23, 2022. Our headliner quartet is MidTown, 5th place International Quartet at the Barbershop Harmony Society International Convention in July 2019 in Salt Lake City.

You can find registration materials on the Camp website at https://farwesterndistrict.org/events/youth-harmony-camp

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