

# Choir Camp



## SING! SING! SING!

Choir Camp offers a rich choral experience for youth, ages 8-18, (entering 3rd grade through graduating seniors). Campers learn skills from professional music teachers and will participate in exciting rehearsals, build confidence in their voice, and make life long friends. In addition, enjoy all that camp has to offer such as swimming, Bible study, ropes course, great food, and more!

From "Sharing of Gifts" (talent show) to campfire songs in the evening, Choir Camp is rich in music and rooted in the ministry of Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp. Located on the shores of Flathead Lake, this beautiful "sanctuary" has enriched lives for over 80 years.

**SEE PAGE 2 TO LEARN ABOUT OUR AMAZING CHOIR DIRECTORS.**

**Choir Camp is a safe and nurturing space.  
All are welcome. JOIN US!**



**June 23–28, 2024 Cost: \$600/camper**

**SCAN HERE TO REGISTER**

or visit [www.FLBC.net](http://www.FLBC.net) or email [registration@flbc.net](mailto:registration@flbc.net)

## ATTENTION ADULTS & TEACHERS

Would you like to come and observe for the day (i.e. Monday–Thursday, 10am–6:00pm)?

You will meet with leaders for an afternoon session of debriefing and planning. We would love to have you! Enjoy meals with your students, and watch them grow.

**\$250 for all 4 days; \$75 for 1 day.**  
Hope you will join us!!

*NOTE: OPI credits available!*





# Choir Directors

## JOHN BAKER

John Baker is the Artistic Director of Tilikum Choir Community, Milwaukie Lutheran Church Choir and the former Artistic Director of Pacific Youth Choirs. John was the choir director at Rex Putnam H.S. for 32 years, during which time the A Cappella Choir and Chorales performed at state, regional and national ACDA and MENC Conventions. In 1993, he and his wife, Sandy, founded the North Clackamas Children's Choir, a program which continued for 15 years with approximately 125 singers in 3 choirs. Mr. Baker has served as a guest conductor/clinician for honor choirs, workshops, and retreats in Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Montana, Canada, Alaska and Thailand.

## SANDY BAKER

Sandy Baker began her teaching career at Orient Grade School where she taught K-8 choral and general music from 1978-1984. After taking a break for family, she taught Choir at McLoughlin & Alder Creek M.S. for 18 years. During the same time, she and John began the North Clackamas Children's Choir, a community choir open to all students in grades K-9 who liked to sing! Under their direction, the NCC Choir performed in Disneyland on 9 occasions, with the Metropolitan Youth Symphony twice, and in many other special events in the Portland area. They continued to co-direct the NCCC Concert and Prep Choirs and Ensemble until ending the program in 2010.

The McLoughlin and Alder Creek Choirs performed at district festivals, Best of NW and for the state legislature several times. In 2005, Sandy was chosen to receive the Teacher of the Year award for the state of Oregon. Since retirement in 2011, she has judged several festivals in middle and high school throughout the state, presented literature at music conferences and continues to consult with other leading teachers in her field.

Sandy and John have been married since 1985. They have three "music loving" children who continue to share their gifts in choirs and teaching music.

*FLBC has been like a home for over a decade, with every year bringing new people and experiences into my life, as well as giving me the opportunity to make beautiful music. It is truly something that I couldn't have done without.*

~ Ben Woldtvedt

U of Montana Psychology Major,  
Great Falls, MT

*The choir directors at FLBC have taught me a song that will always play in my heart. It is the song of life. I will NEVER forget my time there. I know what love truly is now.*

~Chase Drake, Newberg, Oregon

## DINAH LINDBERG HELGESON

Dinah Lindberg Helgeson recently retired from International School Bangkok after nine years as high school choir director and Head of the Fine Arts Division. She is invited as guest conductor, choral clinician, motivational speaker, and artist in residence throughout the U.S., Canada, and Asia. In addition she has conducted All-State, ACDA and Provincial Honor choirs.

Dinah is known for her holistic teaching method. She works with the body, mind and spirit of the singer. Often times, the word "love" is used to describe her gift. But it is more than that; it is a sense of empathy she has for the individual throughout the rehearsal at a personal level. She engages the "one to one" method of teaching and produces choirs that learn to care, love and trust one another. This creates life changing moments throughout the rehearsal and performance; music is the vehicle in which she changes the hearts of her singers.

Dinah was born in Montana and received her undergraduate degree in Music Education from Pacific Lutheran University. Her graduate studies include the University of Southern California studying with world renowned educator, Rodney Eichenberger. She considers Maurice Skones, Richard Nace, Geoffrey Boers, Mary Moore and the late John Trepp her lifelong teachers and mentors.

## JACOBY HOLTE

Jacoby Holte was raised in Poplar, MT on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation. Coming from a strong lineage of music teachers, Jacoby was destined to fall into the "family business" He graduated from the University of Jamestown in North Dakota in 2015. Jacoby then started his teaching career in Miles City before moving to Billings where he has worked at Senior High for the last six years.

As a teacher, guest clinician, and adjudicator Jacoby works to provide singers an environment that encourages students to take musical risks, experiment with their voices, and encourage the growth of community.

When he isn't teaching Jacoby likes to spend time outside camping and fly-fishing with his wife Sydney.