



## **SOLIHULL CHANDOS CHOIR** **YOUNG SINGERS' SCHOLARSHIP**

**Applications are invited for a scholarship to provide some voice training for singers who would also enjoy singing for a concert season with a large Solihull based Choir, beginning September 2011.**

### **Scholarships**

Scholarships are offered for the concert season commencing September 2011 for young singers aged between fifteen and nineteen.

The scholarships will consist of:

- A bursary of £100 towards the cost of singing lessons with an approved teacher.
- Free membership of the Choir for the Season
- Free provision of music

In return for this the successful applicant would be expected to attend most rehearsals and to sing in the concerts of the 2011/2012 season which are held in the Autumn, December and late Spring. Rehearsals are held at St Peter's School, Whitefields Road, Solihull from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings during term time.

### **The Choir**

About 70 strong, Chandos is a mixed voice choir, performing a variety of secular and sacred music. The choir is fortunate to have John Bayley as Musical Director and also the support of the Sinfonia of Birmingham. The first concert of the season will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> October, when we will perform Rossini's *Petite Messe Solennelle*. There will be two Christmas Concerts with local junior choirs. On 28<sup>th</sup> April 2012 we hope to perform Mendelssohn's *Elijah*, with full orchestra. After the spring concert we are planning to have a 'more relaxed' session which will give us a chance to try out different music. Throughout the year we enjoy voice training sessions with Gaynor Keeble, a well known mezzo-soprano soloist and singing teacher.

### **Interviews**

We are happy to consider anyone who applies during the year, but to take full advantage of the experience, we would like applications as soon as possible in time for the start of the season in September. For this you will need the support of whoever is responsible for your music teaching and also your parents. If you wish to be considered, we ask that you attend a few rehearsals. You will then be given an informal audition when you will be asked to sing a piece of music of your choice.

If you are interested, you should be able to obtain an application form from whoever is responsible for music in your school/college or organization or by ringing the Choir Secretary (0121 744 7751) or email [scholars@solihullchandoschoir.org](mailto:scholars@solihullchandoschoir.org)