

**ONLY MEN

ALoud**

August 5, 2015

Friends:

Several years ago, I was approached by local choral directors about the possibility of providing an activity which promotes and encourages the participation of young men in area choirs. In the fall of 2012, the Chattanooga Boys Choir ***Only Men Aloud!*** was born. This **FREE** event includes a full day of rehearsal, workshops, and other activities for young men in grades 8-12 which encourage these singers in their choral involvement.

This year's event takes place on Saturday, September 26 on the campus of Baylor School. Our rehearsals and master classes throughout the day will take place in the Music Building. The day culminates in a performance of the repertoire and an appearance by special guest **Voci Virilli** in the school's Alumni Chapel. Registration begins at 8:30am and the final program takes place at 3:30pm.

Our special guest clinician for this year is Dr. Scott Finch, Director of Choral Activities at Covenant College. Dr. Finch has extensive experience with singers of this age, working with choirs throughout the United States and Canada. We will also be joined by clinicians from area schools and universities who will lead sectional rehearsals and group vocal masterclasses throughout the day.

In order to make sure that we have enough music for everyone, please be sure to have your students register by Friday, September 18. Registration is a quick and simple process that is found online at **www.chattanoogaboyschoir.org** in the "Only Men Aloud" page.

Of course, please let me know if you have any questions. Please also know that teachers/directors are invited to attend throughout the day.

Sincerely,



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