

Side by Side

Theatre & Music

Side by Side Theatre & Music is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 2001, initially with the goal of funding Summer Chorus when K-State needed to close the program.

Current Side by Side programs are:

- ◆ Flint Hills Masterworks Chorale
- ◆ Summer Chorus
- ◆ Konza Carollers

Side by Side continues to offer Summer Chorus and the Konza Carollers, who typically visit retirement homes, in particular Meadowlark and Via Christi, and the hospital. In 2023, Summer Chorus had its largest enrolment since 2001 of 44 singers and performed to a packed room at Meadowlark Hills retirement community.

For eight years, from 1997 to 2005, Side by Side organized an annual “from scratch” performance of Handel’s Messiah, with a chorus of community members and K-State students and faculty singing the solos.

Conductors have included Reg Pittman and Pamela Kempton. Pianists have included Bill Wingfield, Amanda Arrington and Songhwa Chae.

Flint Hills Masterworks Chorale

was founded in 1994 and sponsored by Manhattan Christian College until the onset of the pandemic in 2020. The Manhattan Arts Center then obtained a three-year Deihl grant for the choir. That grant expired in fall 2023. Starting in 2024, the Chorale will be a program of Side by Side.

Just before the pandemic, the choir had around 70 members. Registration has been growing again, and in Fall 2023 was just over 60.

A group from the choir has been on two European tours, one to Hungary, Austria and the Czech Republic in 2009, when we also visited Manhattan's sister city Dobrichovice, the second to Italy in 2012.

The choir performs a variety of choral music, ranging from J.S. Bach and Mozart to John Rutter and Zoltan Kodaly.

Conductors have included Ian Coleman, Reg Pittman, Julie Yu, Jeff Ward and now Arianne Thomas. Mary Ann Buhler played for the choir for its first 25 years, Norma Roozeboom is the current pianist.



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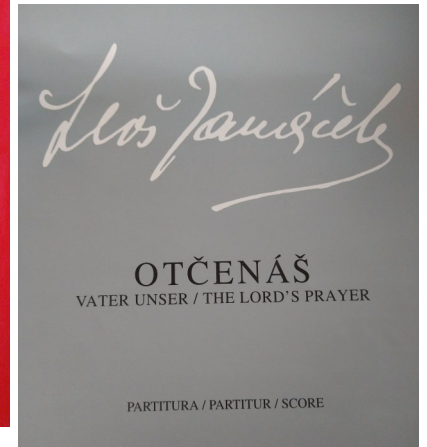
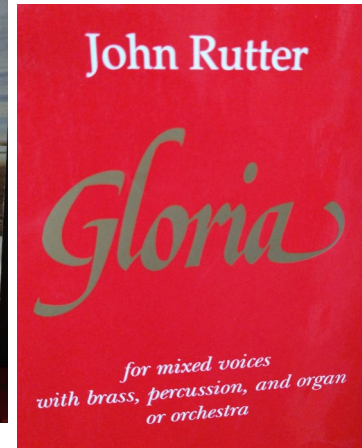
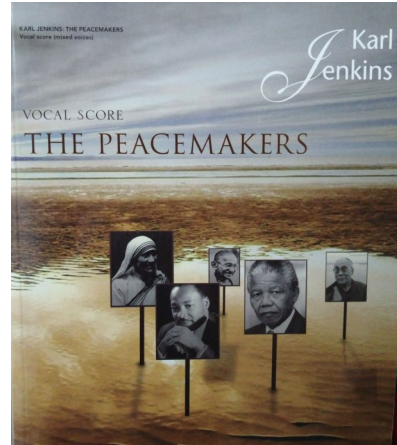
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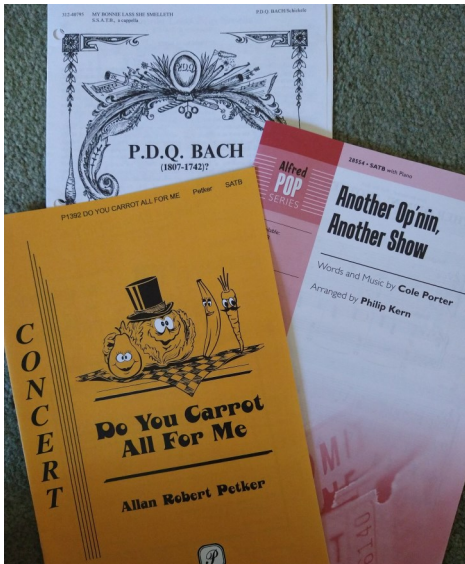
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