

Curriculum Vitae



CHRISTOPHORUS-YOUTH-CHOIR VERSMOLD, Germany
Conductor: Hans-Ulrich Henning - Voicetrainer: Sibylle Henning

Hans-Ulrich Henning founded this choir in 1979 with pupils of the Christophorus School in Versmold.

Competency in the arts lies at the centre of the schools educational system. Thus the choir, with six hours of rehearsals, professional vocal training and frequent week-long choir camps, enjoys exceptionally good opportunities for development. Thus it is not surprising that the choir has won numerous first prizes in national and international competitions, amongst them the Grand Prix in Olomouc / Czech Republic in 1993. Its numerous choral partnerships tend to feature bilateral projects, like for example the German-Latvian performance of "Miserere" by G. Donizetti in Riga Cathedral. The choir has cooperated with West German Radio in Cologne for many years, e.g. with the world première of a choral jazz piece, and frequently participates in its Christmas concerts.

In 1985 and 2002 the choir was a finalist in the German Choral Competition.

In 1997 it represented Germany at the first International Youth Choir Festival in Thessaloniki / Greece. In 2001 the choir was awarded the "Bruno-Kleine-Grant" for exemplary and lasting youth work. In 2002, within the framework of the AMJ project "Composers write for children's and youth choirs", it gave the world première of a piece by the Munich composer Max Beckschäfer.

In 2004 the choir gave a guest performance in Kaunas in Lithuania as the only amateur ensemble at the "IX Pazaislio Muzikos Festivalis". In 2006 the choir was chosen for the "The International Youth Chamber-Choir-Meeting Usedom".

In 2007 the choir represented Germany at "The World Festival of Youth Arts". 2009 represented the choir North Rhine-Westphalia during the German Festival "Schools Make Music" in Hamburg.