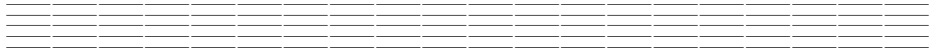


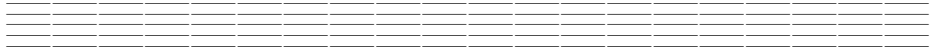
Tyndale Choral Society



Absolute

Beginners

Class of 2008



*Always wanted to sing the classics,
but couldn't read the music?*

Learn to sight-sing music from scratch,
then join the TCS in rehearsal for our
Summer Concert.

Website: tyndale-choral-society.org
Registered charity number 284840

What is the Absolute Beginners' Class ?

Tyndale Choral Society (TCS) members know from past experience that many singers would dearly love to join them in performing the great choral works, but find the sight-singing (reading the music and singing what they read) an obstacle. The TCS is therefore offering you **the key to a lifetime of singing**.

The **ABC** is a choral apprenticeship programme for adults who are **absolute beginners**, and for **all voices from soprano to bass**. (For students, year 10+, we have a separate programme.)

We start with a **10 week course**, on Mondays from 14 January to 17 March 2008, 7.30-8.30pm in the Dursley Methodist Church. Week by week, **Beth Diaz** will coach you using practical fun exercises, so that you will soon be confident in turning the 'notes on the page' into real music. There will be refreshments after your hard work, to give you a chance to get to know your fellow classmates and some of the TCS members; some of us usually round off the evening in a local watering-hole. Oh, and there will also be some homework!

As you progress, pieces from the Summer Concert Programme will be introduced for you to work on and sing, to whet your appetite.

On completion of the course, you will then be invited to **join the TCS** after Easter when it rehearses for the Summer Concert (March 31 to Concert Day July 5) – again on Mondays at 7.30pm in the Methodist Church. You will not be asked to pay any subscription charges for this period. You will be paired with a **"choral buddy"** who will give you moral support and encouragement. (Your participation in the Summer Concert will be at the discretion of our musical director.)

There will be a free **Taster Session** on Monday 7 January, to give you the opportunity to meet members of the TCS and to get an idea of what the course involves. You will also find out where your vocal range lies – i.e., if you are a soprano, alto, tenor, or bass.

The ABC course fee is just £32.50. There is no charge for participating in the rehearsals for the Summer Concert. All we ask for is regular attendance and plenty of practice between rehearsals!

About the Society

The Tyndale Choral Society is a registered charity, and was founded in 1960. It is friendly, unstuffy, and has a sense of humour. There are no terrifying auditions. Members work hard, under the musical direction of **Ian Harrold**, to provide concerts of a high standard.

We start in late March and finish in November, with an August break. The Summer Concert is held in July in St Mary's Church, Wotton-under-Edge, and is usually of a lighter character. The Winter Concert in November is held in St James' Church, Dursley, and comprises a serious work (or two) accompanied by professional soloists and orchestra. In addition, we hold a 'come and sing' workshop in September, and a carol concert in December.

Now the TCS is giving you the opportunity to acquire the skills you need to join it in its music-making; skills which will stay with you for life. No matter where you may find yourself, you will always find a choir to join!

We know singing is **so** good for you – physically, emotionally, intellectually, culturally, socially. How can you possibly resist?

What to do next:

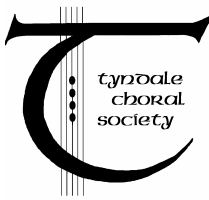
Pick up the telephone and call TCS Secretary Julia O'Connor-Beach on 01454 260877, or send an email to her on secretary@tyndale-choral-society.org and she will be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

You can also find out more about the TCS on the website: tyndale-choral-society.org

Numbers are limited, so **registration is required** for the Taster Session and the Course. You can do this by telephone or by email (see above).

Don't put it off – pick up the phone!

[Details may be subject to alteration at the discretion of the TCS Committee.]



The Tyndale Choral Society

(www.tyndale-choral-society.org)

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Absolute Beginners Class of 2008 Registration Form

Name	
<i>Voice (if known)</i>	Soprano Alto Tenor Bass
Contact Address and Postcode	
Telephone and E-mail	
I wish to attend the Taster Session	YES / NO
I wish to sign on to the TCS “Absolute Beginners Class of 2008” I understand that this is for adults, and comprises a course in sight-singing and attending TCS rehearsals, from January to July 2008.	
I enclose a cheque made payable to the Tyndale Choral Society in the amount of £32.50, being the course fee.	
Signature:	

Please complete this form and send together with your payment to:
Julia O'Connor-Beach, 86 Manor Lane, Charfield, Wotton-under-Edge, Glos, GL12 8TY
Phone: 01454 260877 E-mail: secretary@tyndale-choral-society.org

Confirmation of booking: this will be sent by email (if available). Otherwise, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope if you wish to have your booking confirmed. Thank you.