



Sweet Adelines International is very excited to announce that AHA 2016 will take place at the University of Auckland in Auckland, NZ. The aim of AHA is to challenge members to build a stronger performance, to take their vocal and performance skills to the next level. AHA is the “spark” that dares people to step up their a cappella game – to rise to the top!

Strong foundational skills (i.e. basic vocal techniques, working together as a group, etc.) are the necessary building blocks for a successful performance, and these will be covered during the first full day of classes. The second day of classes builds upon this strong foundation, adding the creative flourishes, the personality, and the pizzazz. Taken sequentially, the classes will give attendees the confidence to truly rise to the “11-Chord Challenge.”

In addition to the sessions for the general membership, we will offer a Director’s Track, which consists of courses specifically designed for directors. Five of the seven elective periods will have Director’s Track sessions, leaving them with two elective periods in which to make other selections. Don't miss out on AHA 2016!

**Registration will open Monday, January 4, 2016.**

Early Bird Member Registration: *January 4 - April 24* - \$350

Non Member Registration: *Opens March 6th* - \$400

Youth Registration (25 and under): *January 4 - April 24* - \$200

**Registration fees will be in US Dollars.**

Registration fees include: superb education, 2 lunches, 1 dinner and 3 tea/biscuit breaks.  
Housing is NOT included with the registration fee.

**Schedule**



## Friday, July 15, 2016

Directors

1:00 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.	Registration/Faculty Orientation [Main Foyer]
3:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.	Opening Session: Afternoon Sing w/ Champion Quartet and Welcome Message - Clipman [F & P Auditorium]
4:00 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.	Afternoon Tea - Provided [Main Foyer]
4:30 p.m. — 5:45 p.m.	General Session: That's Entertainment! - Pirvidic [F & P Auditorium]
5:45 p.m. — 7:15 p.m.	Dinner- Provided [Main Foyer]
7:15 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.	General Session: Physical Expression, Characterization, and Musicality - Davis [F & P Auditorium]
8:30 p.m.	Evening Event: Champion Quartet Performance/ Meet & Greet/ Cash Bar [F & P Auditorium and Main Foyer]

## Saturday, July 16, 2016

8:30 a.m. -- 9:00 a.m.	Music in the Morning w/ Champion Quartet and Announcements - Wright [F & P Auditorium]			
9:00 a.m.-- 10:10 a.m.	<b>Creating a Chorus Experience</b> - Wright [Classroom]	<b>Rhythm &amp; Energy</b> - Pirvidic [Maidment Theatre]	<b>Effective Teamwork</b> - Davis [Classroom]	<b>Balance &amp; Blend</b> - Babb [Classroom]
10:10 a.m. -- 10:40 a.m.	Break			
10:40 a.m. -- 11:40 a.m.	<b>Motivating Your Chorus</b> - Clipman [Classroom]	<b>Size Does Not Matter</b> - Babb [Maidment Theatre]	<b>The Art of Woodshedding</b> - Wright [Classroom]	<b>Getting to the Next Level</b> - Pirvidic [Classroom]
11:50 a.m. -- 1:20 p.m.	Lunch- Provided [Main Foyer]			
1:20 p.m. -- 2:30 p.m.	General Session: *Building a Unit Sound- Clipman and Chorus [Maidment Theatre]			
2:30 p.m.-- 2:50 p.m.	Break			

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	Session III			
2:50 p.m. -- 4:00 p.m.	Developing Directing Skills Davis [Classroom]	Balance & Blend Babb [Classroom]	Rhythm & Energy Pinvidic [Maidment Theatre]	Marketing Wright [Classroom]
4:00 p.m. -- 4:30 p.m.	Afternoon Tea* [Main Foyer]			
	Session IV			
5:00 p.m. -- 6:10 p.m.	Recognizing Resonance Babb [Classroom]	Freeing up the Right Side of the Brain Clipman [Classroom]	Care and Feeding of New Members Davis [Classroom]	Shades of Vocal Texture Wright [Classroom]
6:10 p.m. -- 7:45 p.m.	Dinner - On Your Own			
7:45 p.m.	Evening Event: Greater Auckland Performs/ Champion Quartet Performs/ Lip Sync Contest/ Cash Bar [Maidment Theatre]			

## Sunday, July 17, 2016

8:00 a.m. -- 8:30 a.m.	Coffee & Tea - Provided [Main Foyer]			
8:30 a.m. -- 9:00 a.m.	Music in the Morning w/ Champion Quartet and Announcements - Pinvidic [F & P Auditorium]			
	Session V			
9:00 a.m. -- 10:10 a.m.	Tape Evaluation Clipman [Classroom]	Staying Motivated Pinvidic [Classroom]	Developing Artistic Sound Davis [Classroom]	Riser Placement Babb [Maidment Theatre]
10:30 a.m. -- 11:45 a.m.	General Session: Subtexting & Drama - Wright [F & P Auditorium]			
11:45 a.m. -- 1:15 p.m.	Lunch - Provided [Main Foyer]			
	Session VI			
1:15 p.m. -- 2:25 p.m.	Developing Artistic Sound Davis [Classroom]	Expression Pinvidic [Maidment Theatre]	Recognizing Resonance Babb [Classroom]	Champion Quartet Class [Classroom]
2:25 p.m. -- 2:45 p.m.	Break			
	Session VII			
2:45 p.m. -- 3:55 p.m.	Conducting Skills Clipman [Classroom]	Tag Teaching Babb [Classroom]	Expression Pinvidic [Maidment Theatre]	Shades of Vocal Texture Wright [Classroom]
4:10 p.m.	Closing Event: Send-Off and Mass Sing - Davis [F & P Auditorium]			

## Housing

### HOTELS:

[Pullman Auckland](#) - Prices from \$189 -- \$999 NZ

Corner Princes Street and Waterloo Quadrant, Auckland 1010, New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 450 m (5 minutes walking, 2 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 26-30 minutes

**Room Accommodations include:** Radio, Sky TV, In-house Video, Wi-Fi & High-speed internet access, International direct dial telephone, in room safety deposit boxes, minibar, tea and coffee making facilities, 24 hour in-room dining.

[The Quadrant Hotel & Suites](#)- Prices from \$119 to \$450

10 Waterloo Quadrant, Auckland, 1010, New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 700 meters (8 min walking, 3 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 26- 30 minutes

**Room Accommodations include:** TV, Complimentary Wi-Fi access, Washing/Dryer, Full Kitchen Facilities and Coffee and Tea making facility.

[Best Western President Hotel Auckland](#) – Prices from \$139 to \$219 NZ

27-35 Victoria Street West, Auckland City

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 800 meters (12 min walking, 5 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 26- 30 minutes

**Room Accommodations include:** Air Conditioning, Refrigerator, Microwave, 42” Smart TV, Alarm Clock, Personal Safe, Tea & Coffee making facility, Kitchenette, and Iron and Ironing board.

[CityLife Auckland](#) - Prices from \$ 229 -- \$2000 NZ

171 Queen St, Auckland, 1010, New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 850 meters (12 min walking, 5 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 27- 30 minutes

**Room Accommodations include:**

Sky TV, Smart Television, Complimentary Wi-Fi access, Safety Deposit Box, Manuka Spa Toiletries, Iron and Ironing board, bathrobes and 24 hour in-room dining.

[Crowne Plaza Auckland](#)- Prices from \$160 to \$500

128 Albert Street, Auckland 1010, New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 900 meters (12 min walking, 5-10 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 27- 30 minutes

**Room Accommodations include:** Sky TV, Complimentary Wi-Fi access, Interconnecting rooms available, 24 hour guest laundry and gymnasium access.

[The Langham Auckland](#) – Prices from \$160 -- \$2500 NZ

83 Symonds Street, Auckland 1010, New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 1 km (12-15 min walking, 5minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 27- 30 minutes

**Room Accommodations include:** 40-inch LCD Flat screen TV, Blackout curtains, Complimentary Wi-Fi access, Safety Deposit Box, Chuan Spa Math Amenities, iron and ironing board, twice daily housekeeping, Coffee and tea making facilities and 24 hour in-room dining.

[Hotel Ibis Styles Auckland](#) Prices range from \$75 to \$135

20 Wyndham Street, Auckland 1010, New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 1 km (13 min walking, 7 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 30 minutes

**Room Accommodations include:** TV, stereo, fridge, stove, private balcony, coffee and tea making facilities and broadband Internet.

[Heritage Auckland](#) – Prices from \$180 to \$610 NZ

35 Hobson Street, Auckland New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 1.2 Km (17 min walking, 15 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 27- 30 minutes

**Room Accommodations include:** Sky TV, Smart Television, Complimentary Wi-Fi access, Safety Deposit Box, Manuka Spa Toiletries, Iron and ironing board, bathrobes and 24 hour in-room dining.

**APARTMENTS:**

[Waldorf Stadium Apartment Hotel](#) – Prices from \$150 to \$400

40 Beach Road, Auckland 1010, New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 1 km (15 min walking, 6 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 27- 30 minutes

**Apartment Features include:** Hair Dryer, Iron & Ironing board, Fully Equipped kitchens, Large LCD TV with SkyTV, Wi-Fi, in- room phones, in-room washer and dryer, tea and coffee making facilities and full housekeeping services.

[City Lodge](#) – Prices from \$89 to \$195

150 Vincent St, Auckland, 1010 New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 1.7 km (25 min walking, 5-8 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 27- 30 minutes

**Apartment Features include:** Hair Dryer, Iron & Ironing board, Fully Equipped kitchens, Large LCD TV with SkyTV, WiFi, in- room phones, in-room washer and dryer, tea and coffee making facilities and full housekeeping services.

**BACKPACK AND HOSTELS:**

[Base Backpacker Auckland](#)- Prices from \$26-\$100 NZ

Level 3, 229 Queen Street, Auckland – New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 700 m (10 min walking, 3 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 27- 30 minutes

Rooms range from private ensuite doubles to small and large dorms. Facilities include 24 hour reception, patrolled security, internet café, large communal kitchen and laundry. Home to 3 bars: Habana Joe's, Hello Sunshine & the Darby Bar.

[Nomads Auckland Backpackers Hostel & Bar](#) – Prices range from \$21 to \$100

16-20 Fort Street, Auckland 1010, New Zealand

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 1 km (14 min walking, 7 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 30 minutes

Facilities include 24-hour reception, Global Gossip internet and Wi-Fi, female only dorms and a rooftop kitchen with panoramic views of the city and harbour. All rooms come with fresh white linen and lockers.

[YHA Auckland City International](#) – Prices from \$23 – \$118 NZ

18 Liverpool Street, Auckland Central, Auckland

**Distance from University of Auckland:** 1.4 km (20 min walking, 3 minutes driving)

**Distance to Airport:** 27- 30 minutes

Facilities include: Hair Dryer, Iron & Ironing board, Fully Equipped kitchens, Large LCD TV with SkyTV, WiFi, in- room phones, in-room washer and dryer, tea and coffee making facilities and full housekeeping services.

**OTHER OPTIONS:**

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