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Rich-Tone Chorus Named International Champions *Sweet Adelines International 74th Annual Convention and Competition*

TULSA, Okla. (Sept. 28, 2022) — After three long years of online rehearsals and virtual performances, barbershop a cappella singers from around the world returned to the stage at the 74th Annual Sweet Adelines International Convention & Competition in Phoenix, Arizona (USA). On Saturday, Sept. 17, Rich-Tone Chorus was named International Champions.

Rich-Tone Chorus of Richardson, Texas, is under the direction of Dale Syverson. They ranked first in the chorus semifinals on Thursday, Sept. 15 and won it all at the finals with funk, crazy chord precision, and in their typical fashion — fast and fascinating choreography.

The chorus pulled at heartstrings with the infamous “*On My Own*” from *Les Misérables* during the semifinals and brought down the house with Bruno Mars’s “*Uptown Funk*” during the finals. They competed with 81 singers on stage and the recent win totals the sixth international champion title for the Texas-based chorus.

Watch their winning performances: <https://youtu.be/5UAQQgeTBGg> (Semifinals) and <https://youtu.be/M3jZl2Yfq5k> (Finals)

Nearly 100 quartets and choruses, totaling 2,000 a cappella singers, competed at The Phoenix Convention Center. Seven countries were represented in the competition: Australia, Canada, Netherlands, New Zealand, Sweden, United Kingdom, and United States.

Watch competition performances: www.youtube.com/SweetAdelineIntl
View competition scores: www.sweetadelines.com/Phoenix

Sweet Adelines International was founded in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1945. It is one of the world’s largest singing organizations for women. With over 16,000 members in 10 countries, Sweet Adelines International’s mission is *Elevating women singers worldwide through education, performance, and competition in barbershop harmony and a cappella music*. For more information, visit www.sweetadelines.com or follow on social media via [@sweetadelinesintl](https://twitter.com/sweetadelinesintl).

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