

SWEET ADELINES INTERNATIONAL is a highly respected worldwide organization of women singers committed to advancing the musical art form of barbershop harmony through education, competition and performance.

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## Women's Barbershop A Cappella Choruses and Quartets Perform for World Champion Title During Sweet Adelines International's 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention and Competition

**TULSA**, Okla. (August 14, 2019) — Sweet Adelines International, one of the world's largest singing organizations for women, will host their 73<sup>rd</sup> annual international convention and competition Sept. 16-21 in New Orleans. Barbershop a cappella choruses and quartets from around the world will compete for world champion titles during the prestigious and internationally celebrated singing competition.

Nearly 50 quartets and 50 choruses will take the stage at The Smoothie King Center for five days of awe-inspiring, spine-tingling performances. The prestigious competition will be viewed by thousands in attendance and around the world via the live, free-of-charge webcast at <u>www.sweetadswebcast.com</u>.

This year, Sweet Adelines' Young Women in Harmony (YWIH) hosts the Ain't We Got Fun Youth Festival on Tuesday, Sept. 17, inviting singers 25 and under to attend a day-long barbershop singing workshop culminating in a performance immediately preceding the Harmony Classic chorus competition, which begins at 6 p.m. The Harmony Classic competition features Sweet Adelines small and mid-sized choruses in two divisions, A for choruses with 15-30 members and AA for choruses with 31-60.

The Quartet Semifinals competition begins on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at 10 a.m. Ten quartets will advance to the Quartet Finals. Sweet Adelines 2019 champion, ClassRing quartet, will crown the next champion quartet at the culmination of Quartet Finals on Friday, Sept. 20.

The Chorus Semifinals begin on Thursday, Sept. 19, with the top ten choruses moving on to compete in Chorus Finals on Saturday, Sept. 21. The 2019 champion, Scottsdale Chorus, will present the title to the 2020 champion chorus. The Family Chorus, comprised of Sweet Adelines and family members, will take the stage immediately following the chorus finals.

In addition to competition, the convention hosts performances from Sweet Adelines quartet and chorus champions and a variety of music education classes taught by Sweet Adelines certified faculty and past international champions.

The famed Coronet Club Chorus, a 100 women-strong chorus made up of Sweet Adelines' Quartet Champions, performs during The Coronet Club Show on Friday, Sept. 20, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Smoothie King Center. Show tickets are available for purchase on-site and at <a href="http://www.coronetclub.org">www.coronetclub.org</a>.

Convention registrations may be purchased on-site beginning on Monday, Sept. 16. Registration information and the event schedule is available on the Sweet Adelines website: www.sweetadelines.com/new-orleans.



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Sweet Adelines International is a women's singing organization committed to elevating women singers worldwide through education, performance, and competition in barbershop harmony and a cappella music. Founded in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1945, it is one of the world's largest singing organizations for women, with over 20,000 members in choruses and quartets across the globe. For more information, visit <u>www.sweetadelines.com</u> or follow on social media via @sweetadelinesintl.

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