

FAME SHOW CHOIR NATIONAL FINALS

FAME announces a modified selection process for the **2017 Show Choir National Finals** – The *Show Choir National Championship Series* presented by FAME each spring will remain in force as a qualifying structure for the **National Finals**. Choirs placing in the top three Mixed and top two SG Show Choirs at FAME New York, FAME Orlando (2 events), FAME Chicago, FAME Branson or FAME Hollywood will receive an automatic bid to the National Finals. Show Choirs that are unable to compete at a FAME competition may still qualify at large by meeting one of the following requirements:

- Immediate past *National Champion* or *National First Runner-UP*
- Grand Champion at a sanctioned* Regional Show Choir Competition
- Submit Application with audition for review by selection committee

Participation fees are determined by the method in which a show choir qualifies to participate in the National Finals. By virtue of their prior investment with FAME for a qualifying competition, those qualifying at a *FAME SCNCS* event will pay only \$50 per participant for National Finals, while those qualifying at large will pay \$279 to participate in the National Finals.

While there are still advantages to participating with FAME in the qualifying round, including more opportunities to qualify for participation in the National Finals, this modified selection format will ensure that the world's top show choirs will compete on one stage and solidify our mission to provide an official Finals Competition that will determine the legitimate *Show Choir National Champion* each year.

*SCNCS Sanctioned competitions may qualify each year by submitting their participant list which will allow the sanctioning review committee to validate the level of competition at the event.

Members of the selection committee are also members of the “Academy of Show Choir Professionals”, ASCP.