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## **European Youth Choir with auditioned singers** for final concert of 2020 Beethoven Anniversary year featuring Beethoven's 9<sup>th</sup> with the West-Eastern Divan Ensemble conducted by Daniel Barenboim, Bonn, 17/12/2020

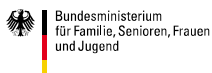
**We are looking for young singers (up to 30) from all EU countries and beyond for an exciting project in December 2020 with Daniel Barenboim and Simon Halsey / Bonn (DE), 11 – 18/12/2020**



2020 will be a big Beethoven Anniversary year which will be celebrated with a rich music programme in his birth town Bonn (Germany). The anniversary year programme will end on Ludwig van Beethoven's baptism day on December 17<sup>th</sup> 2020 with a special performance of Beethoven's Symphony number 9 involving the famous West-Eastern Divan Orchestra and its conductor Daniel Barenboim and an auditioned European Youth Choir to also mark the end of the German EU-Presidency in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2020. This choir will be prepared by Simon Halsey who will also work a short a cappella programme.



**Do you want to know more?**  
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We are a member of the International Federation for Choral Music (IFCM), the European/International Music Council (EMC-IMC), Culture Action Europe, Musica International and the Choral Festival Network.

**Are you interested in joining this great project?** If you are:

- between 18 and 30 years old at the end of 2020
- a very good singer with choir experience
- prepared to study the music in advance and sing the concert by heart
- born and/or living in one of the European Union countries or a neighbouring country
- able to follow rehearsals in English or German
- free between December 11<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 2020

**Send your application before 31/10/2019 with the following material:**

- an application form (to be downloaded from the Website)
- a short CV with a picture
- a recording with an excerpt from Beethoven's 9<sup>th</sup> symphony (see Website), a Bach-Aria and a Lied or Aria from the 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> century, and exercises showing the range of your voice

**Do you know young singers that may be interested? Please forward this information to them!**

Organisations and institutions in EU countries and neighbouring countries, e.g. those already recruiting for the World Youth Choir or those organising regional or national youth choirs, are welcome to organise auditions and select singers, ideally 1 or 2 quartets.

The international jury will meet in November 2019 and singers will be informed about the selection results before the end of the year. Singers selected will receive a subsidy to their travel expenses based on the distance to Bonn (details on the Website) and free accommodation in twin rooms with half board (breakfast and lunch) for the duration of the project.

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*The World Youth Choir is also performing in Bonn in the frame of the Beethoven anniversary in August 2020, for details see [www.worldyouthchoir.org](http://www.worldyouthchoir.org)*