



Stena Line North Wales

Choral Festival News

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Breaking News 2011 Festival Dates and Schedule Confirmed

The 24th **Stena Line North Wales Choral Festival** sees an exciting development. Due to the growing popularity of the festival and with the continued support of Stena Line, it has developed beyond a one day event to a 2 day festival, held on the 5th and 6th November 2011.

Hosted once again at Venue Cymru, Llandudno, the organisers at Conwy County Borough Council have put together a schedule that will allow all choirs to compete, whilst also being given the opportunity to attend a special guest concert on the Saturday evening at discounted rates.

The prize fund consists of £100 for third place, £200 for second place and £500 for first place and the Evening Winners Concert has now been replaced by an open category that will allow choirs of any category

to enter for a prize of £500. Below is an outline of the schedule (timings subject to numbers in individual categories):

Saturday 5th November

10am Youth
12pm Mixed
2pm Ladies
4pm Male Voice
8pm Special Evening Concert

Sunday 6th November

12pm Barbershop
2pm Open

If you haven't competed before you'll be fascinated by the amount of Irish, English, Welsh and Scottish choirs that flock to Llandudno to compete in this renowned festival. 2010 saw its first international choir with Askersunds Manskor, from Sweden and already the enquiries are coming in from all over Europe for this exciting event. Last year also saw the largest Male Voice section to date with 9 choirs competing.

This weekend in November also sees the annual firework display by Llandudno Town Council which spectacularly lights up the bay from the pier, attracting audiences from far and wide. Starting at 7.30pm and lasting for at least 20

minutes this spectacle will end just in time for the scheduled evening show at 8pm (act to be confirmed). The Venue Cymru restaurant offers a perfect spectators' gallery and provides a special 'bonfire night' menu in relaxed and warm surroundings.

For more information about the fireworks display please contact Llandudno Town Council on +44 (0)1492 879130. To find out more about Venue Cymru, please call +44 (0)1492 879771 or visit www.venuecymru.co.uk.

With £4,500 to share amongst category winners, this really does make the Stena Line North Wales Choral Festival a must for any choir, and gives the opportunity for those attending to make a weekend of it by enjoying more of what this unspoilt Victorian town has to offer. Keep updated on the news by visiting www.northwaleschoralfestival.co.uk or call +44 (0)1492 575943/8 for further information.

Registration is now available and tickets will be on sale soon - watch this space!

