

Northlake Performing Arts Society (NPAS) Fact Sheet

Celebrating Our 25th Season - 1995 - 2020

Who We Are:

NPAS is a non-profit [501(c)3] organization whose mission is to enhance and enrich the cultural life on the Northshore by using choral music as a catalyst to embrace other art forms.

The founders of NPAS were church choir members who saw that there were no choral music concerts on the Northshore. They formed NPAS in 1995 as an auditioned community choir focused on fine choral arts performances. Over the years, NPAS has developed into an organization known for musical excellence and a high level of professionalism. With concert performance tickets priced at a very modest \$21.00, NPAS continues to be the only provider in St. Tammany Parish of affordable, high quality choral music in a variety of genres.

The NPAS chorale is truly a community choir drawing membership from locales all across the Northshore. Singers vary in profession, experience, musical training, religious affiliation, and age. The voices of all singers blend together in a singular passion for beautiful music and each member enjoys bringing the choral cultural arts to St. Tammany Parish and surrounding communities.

Our Music Director: Kenya Lawrence Jackson

In addition to being the NPAS Music Director, Ms Jackson currently serves as the Director of Music and Worship at St. Timothy United Methodist Church in Mandeville, LA where her duties include coordinating a large and diverse music program. She conducts the much anticipated, *Christmas on the Northshore* concerts. She also created, produces and directs the annual *Of Thee I Sing* patriotic celebration each Memorial Day weekend. Kenya has also produced many children's theater productions, including Seussical the Musical, Alice in Wonderland, and Godspell Jr, in addition to several original productions.

Ms Jackson also enjoys performing and is currently the Principal Soprano with New Orleans based opera company Opera Créole. She sang the title role in the award-nominated production of *Treemonisha* and also helped make Opera Créole history in the title role of Flamenca in the award-winning *La Flamenca*.

A native of Hammond, LA., Ms. Jackson, holds a Master of Music degree in Vocal Performance from Southern Methodist University and a Bachelor of Music degree in Vocal Performance from Southeastern Louisiana University, where she was recognized with the James Wilcox Award for Outstanding senior. She currently studies with LSU Professor, Dr. Lorraine Sims.

Our Music:

NPAS's music choices are based on the beauty and complexity of the music. The chorale has sung music as varied as patriotic music, folk songs, Broadway, and revues. NPAS has presented semi-staged Broadway/ operetta productions and classical concerts. Performances have also involved collaboration with SLU's choirs and guest artists. NPAS is proud of the diversity of its programming and the diversity of its membership. With a variety of concerts, there is truly something for everyone to enjoy.

Our Future Plans:

One of NPAS's long term goals is to create an auditioned Children's Chorus. The Children's Chorus will perform jointly with NPAS. Currently, NPAS awards an annual \$500 scholarship to a college student who is in his/her junior year, is from St. Tammany Parish and/or sings with NPAS, and is studying Vocal Performance at a Louisiana university. Focused fundraising efforts will allow NPAS to continue to offer this scholarship to develop young talent.

NPAS is a community choir and a community resource. Our goal is to grow our membership and our audience by performing at both traditional and non-traditional venues throughout the Northshore region. We want to bring the joy of music to all on the Northshore.

Northlake Performing Arts Society Sponsorship Program

NPAS is supported by annual dues from Chorus members, ticket sales, and by donations from businesses and individuals.

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