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## Fact Sheet

**Established:** August 1996, Sydney – Australia

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### Directors

#### Lea Baker

- Founder and Musical/Artistic Director
- Qualifications: Master Of Fine Arts – Voice (NIDA), Master Director, Voice coach, Singing teacher, member of both the Regional and International Faculties of Sweet Adelines International. 25+ years' experience with *a cappella* singing.
- Personal Goal for Chorus: “Provide a rehearsal experience like no other”

#### Karen Ramirez

- Musical Director
  - Qualifications: AMEB 8th grade and 6th grade musicianship. Certified Musical Director. Voice coach, singing teacher. 20+ years' experience in music and singing.
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### Chorus Mission:

As a world-class chorus dedicated to musical excellence we entertain, connect and change lives through barbershop harmony and *a cappella* music.

### Chorus Vision:

To inspire the love of singing in each other and our communities while creating opportunities to learn, grow and achieve.

The chorus is a registered not-for-profit incorporated group, incorporated with tax deductible status.

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### Current Membership:

- 70 singers
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### Membership facts:

- Females and those who identify as females aged from 15 to 70 years.
  - Members are auditioned and come from all parts of Sydney, but mainly the Sutherland Shire, St George Shire and as far as Hornsby and Wollongong.
  - Encourage diversity and inclusiveness
  - Individual backgrounds include teachers, doctors, vets, scientists, corporate workers and stay-at-home mums.
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### Awards

#### Sweet Adelines Australia (Region 34)

Australian champion chorus 2006, 2009, 2012, 2014, 2017, 2019.

### Sweet Adelines International Competition

- October 2018, St Louis – 17<sup>th</sup> place world-wide.
- October 2015, Las Vegas – 10<sup>th</sup> place world-wide.
- November 2013, Hawaii - 13<sup>th</sup> place world-wide.
- October 2010, Seattle - 15<sup>th</sup> place world-wide.
- October 2007, Calgary– 27<sup>th</sup> place world-wide.

### Sydney Eisteddfod

- John Lambie Australasian Choral Championships. 1<sup>st</sup> place 2016, 2017
- Australian Choral Grand Prix. 1<sup>st</sup> place Jury Vote, 2016, 2017
- Australian Show Choir finalist – 2018 and 2019

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### Recent Performances:

- Australian Choral Grand Prix – Sydney Grammar School
- Australasian Choral Championships – Sydney Grammar School
- Channel 7 – Today Show
- Confluence – Festival of India, Sydney Opera House
- Westfield Carols By Candlelight, Caringbah
- ‘Endeavour Goes Platinum’ – Sutherland Entertainment Centre
- Netball NSW Swifts Vs Vixens game All Phones Area – Half-time entertainment
- Barbershop Harmony Australia Showcase of Champions
- Australia Day Celebrations (Carss Park)
- City of Sydney Christmas performances, Sydney CBD
- Qantas Community Grants Awards Evening
- Sydney Choir Expo
- Singleton Music Festival

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### Style of Music:

Close 4-part harmony *a cappella* (unaccompanied). Energetic, entertainment-driven with fabulous stage costumes.

### Style of Songs

Funky pop, power ballads, gospel, Australian, show tunes, jazz.

### Recordings

‘Endeavour Goes Platinum’ – 2016

‘As Long As We’re Singing’ – 2013

‘Sound Celebration’ – 2007

‘Endeavour Entertains’ – 2005

‘Endeavour Sings The Best Of Christmas’ – 2004

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### Rehearsals:

Tuesday evenings 7 pm to 10 pm

Jannali High School Auditorium

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**Website:** <https://www.endeavourharmony.org.au>