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20th Annual
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Deke Sharon, “The Father of Contemporary A Cappella.” Producer of “The Sing-Off” worldwide (USA, Netherlands, China, South Africa), which had the highest ratings of any new, unscripted television show in the US (2009). Composed and arranged more than 2,000 works. Arranger, on-site music director and vocal producer for Universal’s “Pitch Perfect,” “Pitch Perfect 2,” and “Pitch Perfect 3.”

Laura Farnell, composer, clinician, accompanist, and adjudicator from Arlington, Texas. Earned Teacher of the Year awards in 2000 & 2003 working in Mansfield and Arlington, Texas. Received Excellence in Education Award in 2004 as the Arlington Independent School District’s outstanding junior high teacher of the year. Serves as an invited clinician for district, region, and state honor choirs nationally.

Stanley Thurston, Artist-In-Residence at Washington National Cathedral. Director of Music Ministries at Foundry United Methodist Church in downtown DC. Artistic Director for the Heritage Signature Chorale. Artistic Director of Washington Performing Arts Society Choirs.

Opportunities for Directors, Opportunities for Choristers:

- Sing in Director’s Chorus, ACDA Voices United Chorus (ages 15 and up), Children’s Honor Chorus (ages 10 to 15)
 - Attend conference sessions by Deke, Stanley, and Laura, as well as colleagues around the region
 - Reading sessions for many kinds of choirs
 - Networking dinner, conference banquet, chapter lunches, and opportunities to network
 - Browse the comprehensive resources available from The Musical Source
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