

CAROLINAS DISTRICT
2014
Fall Festival
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA
It's not just a contest anymore!



The Fall Festival had a dynamic start with a *very* close contest for the District Quartet Championship—only two points between first and second place and only 17 points separated first from fourth place. When the dust settled **WHAMMY!** was crowned the 2014 Carolinas District Quartet Champion. Placing a close second was **Tucker Street** followed by **Harmony Grits** and **Supersonic**. Each quartet sang a third song, not necessarily contestable, as a new feature to make the contest more interesting. The audience then voted to select Most Entertaining Quartet. **Supersonic** took the honors with their dramatic rendition of *Loch Lomond*.



WHAMMY!
2014 District Quartet Champion



Tucker Street



Harmony Grits



Supersonic
Most Entertaining Quartet



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WHAMMY!

Central Carolina, Greater Gaston NC
 Mathew Gorman (T), Craig McDonald (L),
 Jim Tarantino (Bs), Israel Keefer (Br)



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Tucker Street

Research Triangle Park, NC
 Jason Patrick (T), Christopher Mueller (L),
 Charles Rich (Bs), Chris Kirkland (Br)



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Harmony Grits

Charlotte, Research Triangle Park, NC; Binghamton, NY
 Steve Tremper (T), Walter Miles (L),
 Kevin Jones (Bs), Jim Nappier (Br)



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Supersonic

Asheville, NC
 Justin Slack (T), James Monday (L),
 Kier Klepzig (Bs), Kevin Kehres (Br)



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Quartet X

Charlotte, NC
 Dave Dell (T), Steve Curulla (L),
 Will Sanders (Bs), Barak Cline (Br)



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The Hardly Boys

RTP, Central Carolina, NC; Alexandria, VA
 Steve Mark (Br), Gerald O'Neill (Bs),
 Larry Triplett (L), John Adams (T)



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Doppler Effect

Research Triangle Park, Raleigh, NC
 Lee Horton (L), Paul Martin (T),
 Bob Cluett (Bs), Craig Ferri (Br)



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Easy Livin

Greensboro, Winston-Salem, NC
 Fred Conrad (T), David Doub (L),
 Glenn Ogden (Bs), Mark Thompson (Br)



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Hazardous Moving Parts

Wilmington, NC
 Jim Benson (T), Bob Lucas (L),
 Larry Reinhart (Bs), Tom Martyn (Br)



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2013 Quartet Champion— Mic testers

Zero Hour

Charlotte, NC, Sunrise, FL, Frank Thorne
 Ben Mills (T), Larry Lane (L),
 Scot Gregg (Bs), Mark Rodda (Br)

Friday night at the Fall Festival ended with an afterglow at the East Coast Wings restaurant. Good food. More great quartet performances.



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We had a special guest at the Fall Festival—Lorin May, the Editor of *The Harmonizer*. Lorin was around all week end taking photos and interviewing District leaders.

Of course, Saturday was day full of singing tags, coaching sessions, and touring the many site of Charleston.



Tagging In the lobby

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Left: Lorin May interviews Paul Martin, Fall Festival Director

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Right: David Krause coaching *Zero Hour*



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Left: Eddie Martinez coaching the *General Assembly*



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Right: Al Fisk coaching the *Triad Harmony Chorus*

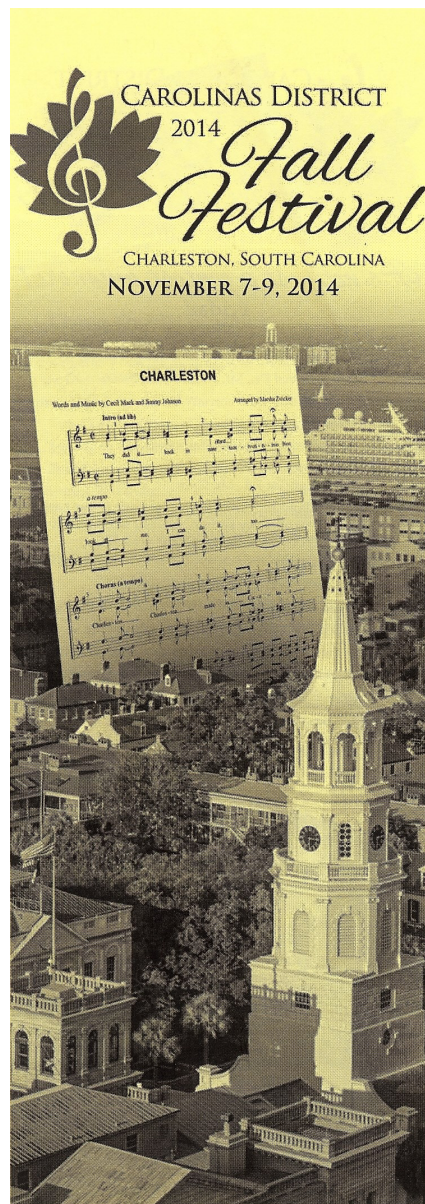


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Left: Derek Street coaching the *Cape Fear Chorus*



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The Fall Festival concluded with a banquet dinner and Saturday Night Showcase on the USS Yorktown Aircraft Carrier. The event was held in a large room in a Hanger Bay surrounded by vintage aircraft and historical exhibits.

Several quartets and choruses were on hand to provide and entertaining end to the...

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the unconventional convention*



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From top: **WHAMMY!**, **Zero Hour**, **Let's Sing!**, and **Riverside Ringers**

From top: **Carolina Vocal Express**, **Triad Harmony Express**, **General Assembly**, and **Palmetto Vocal Project**