

Inland Children's Chorus ~ Final Concert

May 12, 1970 ▪ Memorial Hall Dayton, Ohio



"Opera Buffoonery" (From left): Joseph Geiger, Eugene (Class '44) and Barbara Fitzharris (Class '47) Schamel, and Alfred Wimmers (Class '57)

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Graduates 1970 (Seated from left): Ernestine Marie Smith, Joyce Boston, Pauletta Hayes, Rita Stoff, Michael Wehner, Ann Saluke, John Lee, Barbara Brun, Joe Boston, and Patricia Lehman. Standing (from left): Accompanist James A. Will and Director Joseph P. Geiger.



Performers: Jane Boston Brun (Class '66), Joan Boston Poeppelman (Class '66)
Graduate: Joyce Boston Berczelly (Class '70) ~ Photo: April 2018



Barbara Bruns: "Taken after we got our diplomas backstage. Pictured are: Joyce Boston (left cut off), Joe Geiger, Rita Stoff, Ann Saluke."

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To one of my best friends. Remember the good times we had in Inland.
Love, Joyce

Barb
You deserve the best life offers. Remember this and you'll go far.
A.F.A. Love, Pauletta

To one of the sweetest girls I know and I will always remember "Love" Mike

Annual Spring Festival
INLAND CHILDREN'S CHORUS

Tuesday, May 12, 1970
8:00 P.M.

Program courtesy of Barbara (Brun) Bruns

INLAND CHILDREN'S CHORUS
Annual Spring Festival
MEMORIAL HALL
FOR
EMPLOYEES OF INLAND DIVISION OF G.M.C.
AND THEIR FRIENDS
TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 12, 1970 8:00 P.M.
ADMIT ONE

When I added the final program to the website, I was pleased we had a copy, but sad as well. Looking more closely, however, I was cheered by Joe Geiger's work in creating a program that perfectly celebrated 34 years of the Chorus and its remarkable history. The musical selections included the best of current Broadway and film. Featuring outstanding performers from three decades was a brilliant touch. The Chorus finished its run with a touch of class. Bravo!

— Jerry Alred [1951-1959]

From Forum Page
InlandChorus.com
Posted: Sep 2, 2013

I was among the class that was to graduate the year following the discontinuation. I will always be grateful to Mr. Geiger, our director, and to Mr. Jones, and Mr. Will, our accompanists for giving us an appreciation of music through their dedication and expertise.

— Albert F. Stoff [1963-1970]

Response to Survey
October 2019

My sisters danced to the song “Me and My Shadow.” I remember that I was very excited for them. It was such an amazing experience to be a part of such a wonderful organization.

— Joyce (Boston) Berczelly [1962-1970]

Response to Survey
October 2019

I don't recall too many specifics [of the final performance, but] my response on the [graduates'] questionnaire was read during the presentation of our certificates. I do remember an overwhelming feeling of sadness as we sang “You'll Never Walk Alone” – a traditional final song of the first half – a salute to the graduates – and trying hard not to cry. . . .

— Barbara (Brun) Bruns [1962-1970]

Annual Spring Festival by the
INLAND CHILDREN'S CHORUS

PROGRAM

CONCERT CHORUS

It's A Grand Night For Singing Rodgers
Sing A Rainbow Hamilton
Jean McKuen
Sunrise, Sunset Book
A Time For Us -
Theme from Romeo & Juliet Rota
On A Clear Day Lane
You'll Never Walk Alone Rodgers

INTERMISSION (10 minutes)

GREETINGS AND PRESENTATION OF GRADUATION CERTIFICATES
MR. T. O. MATHUES, General Manager

CHORUS GRADUATES

At each Spring Concert, Chorus members who are 16 years old are graduated. Today, ten members graduate with a total of 62 years of Children's Chorus service. Their names and years of Chorus service are listed on the back cover.

PROGRAM

CONCERT CHORUS

There's No Business Like
Show Business Berlin
Oliver Medley Bart
You Ought To Be In Pictures Suesse
Getting To Know You -
from King and I Rodgers
Me and My Shadow Tolson
Opera Buffoonery Arrg.
Raindrops Keep Fallin' On My Head. Bacharach
Candlelight Intermezzo Joseph P. Geiger
Springtime Medley Selected
God Bless America Berlin

JOSEPH P. GEIGER, Director
JAMES WILL, Accompanist

FEATURED SOLOIST AND DANCERS

Eugene (Class '44) and Barbara (Fitzharris)
(Class '47) Schamel
Jane (Class '66) and Joan (Class '66) Boston
Alfred Wimmers (Class '57)

1970 CHORUS GRADUATES	
	Years
Boston, Joseph	9
Boston, Joyce	9
Brun, Barbara	8
Hayes, Pauletta	5
Lee, John	6
Lehman, Patricia	6
Saluke, Ann	6
Smith, Ernestine Marie	2
Stoff, Rita	6
Wehner, Michael	5

From Letters to the Editor
Dayton Journal Herald
August 6, 1970

I wonder how many people whose lives were touched through the 34 years of the Inland Children's Chorus—either as members or just listeners—have dropped a line of thanks to . . . [those] who were responsible for the lilting music of the 100 voices in the Alice-blue gowns and the little black suits?

Dayton thanks them for what they have done in the past to enhance our community. There will be a great void come this Christmas season, at least, at our house. . . .

SALLY CAMERON WALL

Response to Survey
October 2019

It was an honor to perform and dance to “Me and My Shadow” with my sister [Joan (Boston) Poeppelman]. It was a kind of tap dance routine. The fond memories of the Inland Chorus will always hold a place in my heart.

— Jane (Boston) Brun [1958-1966]