The Association of International Champions Outreach Initiatives – 2021-2022

The Association of International Champions (AIC) has engaged Harmony Foundation International (HFI) to fundraise for the following outreach programs, which encompass a wide range of community and educational opportunities. With the success of these programs, the AIC hopes to expand the reach and impact of Barbershop harmony in the world.

*All events noted below are in planning stages and subject to change due to COVID-19 and other variables.*

- **Chapter and Local Barbershop Educational Outreach**
  - Provides grants to local chapters/organizations to engage an AIC quartet for chapter show performances and/or community educational & outreach opportunities.
  - Events currently in planning stages:
    - Several chapters have requested funds to cover the cost of an AIC quartet performing on their annual shows for Fall 2021.
    - Spring 2021 – Evergreen District multi-division outreach and competition weekend
      - Two Evergreen District Divisions are hosting a joint spring divisional convention. They have requested multiple AIC/SAI quartets facilitate a day of youth outreach/school engagement in the Pacific Northwest, followed by a show of champions at the Divisional Convention.

- **‘Underserved Community’ Barbershop Educational Outreach**
  - Brings barbershop champion quartets to underserved communities, teaching ‘harmony-in-life’ through barbershop music. Includes AIC & SAI champion quartets, teaching, coaching, & working with schools in underserved communities
  - Events currently in planning stages:
    - Tampa School Event – Fall 2021
      - Hosted by Debbie Cleveland (Gaither High school) - will introduce hundreds of students to the world of barbershop harmony. AIC quartet will teach songs, lead sectionals, and clinic students throughout the event, culminating in a quartet & massed chorus concert
    - Denver School Event – 2021 – Darin Drown
    - St Louis School Event – 2022 – Jim Henry
    - Louisville School Event – Dates TBD – requested
    - Baltimore School Event – Dates TBD – requested

- **District and Regional Barbershop Educational Outreach**
  - Brings barbershop champion quartets to specific locations where the district/regional organizations can leverage those quartets for educational outreach within their regions/communities.

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Events currently in planning stages:

- Ontario District 75th Anniversary Celebration and Outreach – Fall 2021
  - Ontario District (ONT), in conjunction with the AIC & HFI, will host a gala celebration weekend for ONT in Toronto, ON. It will feature 3 AIC quartets on a Saturday night show, an all-district barbershop festival event @ Harmony Ranch on Sunday, and school outreach on Monday, educating on barbershop harmony.

- Close Harmony Festival – Fall 2021 & Spring 2022
  - Southern California Vocal Association (partnering with Far West District (FWD), AIC, SAI, HFI, & smaller Local Chapters) will host a youth outreach event:
    - Fall 2021 – Friday: 3-5 AIC/SAI quartets in L.A. region meet with and promote barbershop to local school districts (strong focus on underserved schools), and promote the Spring 2022 festival. Saturday: Local Chapter show Saturday night with AIC/SAI quartets.
    - Spring 2022 – Friday: Multiple AIC & SAI champion quartets touring schools, led by FWD & Local Chapters. Saturday: Daytime Youth Festival & Saturday evening AIC Show, featuring the Youth, AIC, and SAI champs.

- Rocky Mountain District Harmony College – April 2021
  - AIC Quartet (Storm Front) will attend & teach @ Rocky Mountain Harmony College, culminating in a Saturday Night concert performance

If you are interested in donating to the AIC Outreach Fund to help grow outreach opportunities and the future of sharing Barbershop harmony, please contact Harmony Foundation International.