

What people say about NMGMC

NMGMC voted "Best Musical Organization" –
Best of Burque

Albuquerque Alibi, April 2010

"NMGMC has also taught me that music is a language that breaks down walls of separation and can bring healing and compassion to individuals, families and whole communities. I am thankful and honored to be part of such an important organization."

Miguel, Chorus Member

"I was totally caught off guard that a gay men's chorus could have such an effect on me. I connected with the Chorus in ways I never expected. I truly understood on that December evening the power that the music of NMGMC has to change hearts and minds in positive ways."

Sharon, Audience Member and Mother

"There are a lot of talented singers in the group. It's a group that prides itself on its bonding and is unified in that we love making music."

*Aaron Howe, Artistic Director
in the Albuquerque Journal*

"Stand By Me soloist from NMGMC is awesome, too!"

*Audience Member at GALAFestival 2012
in Denver, CO*

Our Concert Season

Our concert season runs from September through June and includes three major performances as well as several appearances at community events.

NMGMC often performs benefit concerts for other organizations, holds fundraisers, and participates in other events. Please visit our website at www.nmgmc.org for information about upcoming events.



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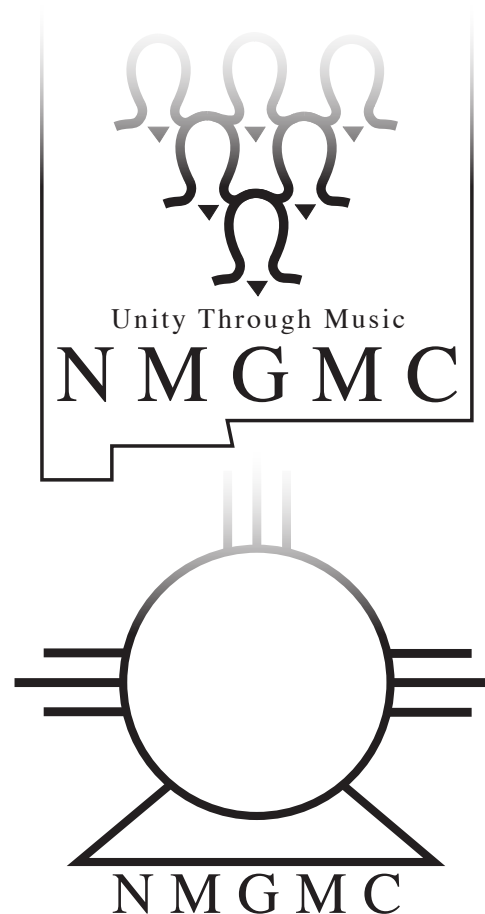
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History

One of the country's first gay men's choruses, the New Mexico Gay Men's Chorus (NMGMC) was founded in 1981 as *The Brash Ensemble*. We began as a sixteen singing member group and have varied in size from eight to now more than fifty singing members.

For many years the chorus rehearsed in both Santa Fe and Albuquerque with members driving between the two cities from as far away as Espanola and the East Mountains. Today we rehearse in Albuquerque but have members who drive in from as far away as Santa Fe, Belen and Tijeras. No other gay chorus in the country covers such a wide geographic area.

NMGMC was one of the first choruses in the country to become members of the Gay & Lesbian Association of Choruses (GALA). The Chorus performed at GALA Festival 2004 in Montreal, Canada; at GALA Festival 2008 in Miami, FL; and at GALA Festival 2012 in Denver, CO.

Our mission is to reduce homophobia and intolerance and create a positive image of the GLBT community through high-quality, public musical performances.

Our motto is ***Changing the World Through Music***, and through our works of silliness, passion, faith, beauty, and emotion, we try to demonstrate that we are all on the same journey. This year we ask you to join us in walking in one another's musical moccasins.

NMGMC was honored as "Honorary Dignitaries" at PrideFest 2007. In 2013, the Metropolitan Community Church honored the Chorus with an award for "Recognition of Music." Also in 2013, Albuquerque's LGBTIQ community by vote selected NMGMC to receive Albuquerque Pride's "OUTstanding Performing Group" award.

Get Involved

We welcome all new voices, both gay and gay-friendly, in our chorus!

NMGMC strives to be an empowering voice for the GLBT community and to enrich our greater New Mexican community through our choral excellence. We believe that our strength grows as we add voice to voice, and that understanding between people of diverse cultures and orientations blossoms each time we present our musical offerings.

Want to Sing?

Because NMGMC strives for artistic excellence, acceptance as a singing member are determined by an audition. We understand that the idea of an audition can be intimidating, and we do our best to make the audition process as informal and friendly as possible. To schedule an audition, please visit our website at www.nmgmc.org.

Rehearsals are held at the Albuquerque Center for Spiritual Living, located near Menaul & Louisiana at 2801 Louisiana Blvd, NE every Monday night from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Want to Volunteer?

Our "Fifth Section" is a vital part of our Chorus. Those who do not perform onstage can perform a variety of tasks offstage including, but not limited to, ticket sales and collection, advertising, set-up, tear-down, ushering, and intermission activities. We encourage you, your significant other and friends to volunteer.

Whatever level of interest you have for joining the Chorus, please visit our website at www.nmgmc.org.

New Mexico QTones

NMGMC is proud of its community outreach ensemble, the NM QTones. They provide entertainment at many events in the Albuquerque and surrounding areas, from singing the National Anthem at public events to performing mini concerts.

This 10-15 member ensemble represents the chorus at community events including GLBT organization functions, association and government events, and private parties. The NM QTones sing a variety of traditional choral music as well as pop, jazz, and Broadway selections.

Booking Requests: To request the NM QTones to sing at your event, please visit our website at www.nmgmc.org. **We ask that you submit your request 30 days prior to your event.**