

Florida Vocal Association
Choral Performance

Final Rating

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April 30, 2013 11:00 am

Adjudicator: Dr. Trent Brown

Ensemble Name: Western Singers

School: Western High School

City: Davie

No. of Singers: 45

School Enrollment: 2,900

Selections:

Earth Song

Frank Ticheli

SATB

Cloudburst

Eric Whitacre

SATB

Signs of the Judgment

Mark Butler

SATB

Tone Quality 1 2 3 _____ Resonance _____ Focus and Placement _____ Breath Support _____ Vowels _____ Consonants _____ Beauty and Freedom _____ Register Adjustment _____ Control _____ Blend	Circle One: A B C D E	Comments: Whitacre: m. 69. Crescendo on breath, keep on air support. O - A - need taller spine, open throat. Your attention to color in Ticheli is fine. And I like your sound, I would like more focus to your tone in Ticheli + Whitacre, especially in mid + above dynamics. Butler - m. 37-43 use taller vowels + support. Men: Butler, this tone can be used to inform
Technical Preparation 1 2 3 _____ Intonation _____ Pitch accuracy _____ Rhythmic precision _____ Choral Balance _____ Stability of pulse _____ Entrances _____ Releases _____ Balance of accompaniments	Circle One: A B C D E	Comments: Whitacre m. 18 S-Support so you see through the D pitch. Some unnecessary vibrating shows that sound needs support. Listen very close m. 47-52. Some pitch issues here. Butler - m. 16, be careful about rushing bass. + A m. 22.
Musical Effect 1 2 3 _____ Proper tempo _____ Phrasing, musical line _____ Dynamics _____ Style _____ Articulations _____ Dramatic effect _____ Expression _____ Interpretation _____ Response to conductor	Circle One: A B C D E	Comments: Ticheli - Great attention to character of the words. The opening was very expressive. Be more expressive m. 19 < > + with text (m. 26-27) for example Music + Power. Whitacre phrases m. 37-42 still need line. Don't compartmentalize chords. Try to connect together to have syntax. Whitacre BALANCE m. 72-74 we need to hear the T m 72, A m. 23, etc.

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Tone Quality 1 2 3 + + + Resonance — — — Focus and Placement — — — Breath Support — — — Vowels + — — Consonants + — — Beauty and Freedom — — — Register Adjustment — + — Control — — — Blend	Circle One: A B C D E	Comments: Vowel Concept is Generally Good + in Alignment. An Exception is M. 22, Ticheli, "Out" -- Trends Towards [Ah] open, tall and focused. In the Whitacre, the choir accomplishes excellent control + blend in spite of the demanding divisi. Beautiful. #3 - MEE MY JEE-SAY-S OR JE-SAY-S?
Technical Preparation 1 2 3 — — — Intonation — — — Pitch accuracy + — — Rhythmic precision + — — Choral Balance — — — Stability of pulse — — — Entrances — — — Releases — — — Balance of accompaniments	Circle One: A B C D E	Comments: #1 - Tuning is locked in and secure consistently. LD could use a bit more height in vowels here in general. #2 G# A A1 m. 7 Careful! m. 31 Careful! m. 32 Accentoric section very effective. #3 - Superbly articulate + grounded m. 50 to Renouncing of this piece. Really sparkles.
Musical Effect 1 2 3 + + + Proper tempo — — — Phrasing, musical line — — — Dynamics — — — Style — — — Articulations + + — Dramatic effect — — — Expression — — — Interpretation — + + Response to conductor	Circle One: A B C D E	Comments: #1 - Superb shape and articulation of the opening section. < > are controlled + measured. Very fine m.m. 43-46 - well executed. Occasionally, the ensemble sound (blend) suffers. Have you tried a wider standing arrangement? Perhaps some physical space between them would help.

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Group makes a very polished appearance -- Bravo.
Wow! A pleasure to hear this group.
Congrats and keep doing what you are doing!

T. Snyder

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Adjudicator: Dr. Cara Tasher

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Thank you for choosing to stretch your & really highlight their capabilities → beautiful work - great Butler in both the AND you can also see wisdom & beauty fully in with your work - STAND

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