

Media Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
30 November 2015

Sydney Chorus makes Top Ten in the world!

Sydney's Endeavour Harmony Chorus made history at the Sweet Adelines International competition in Las Vegas last month by placing 10th in the world. This is the first time an Australian chorus has placed in the Top 10. Endeavour Harmony has represented Australia at the international championships on three previous occasions. The contest is dominated by choruses from the USA, along with Sweden, Britain and New Zealand. With 68 members on stage, they performed two songs in the semi finals: 'Love Letters Straight from Your Heart' and an up-tempo medley of 'Ain't He Sweet/Yes Sir That's My Baby'. Endeavour's performance in the finals brought the audience of 7000 to a standing ovation in a moving package of songs with a uniquely Australian theme. The performance featured a heartfelt six part a-cappella rendition of 'My Island Home', the Neil Murray song made famous by Christine Anu.

After watching a recording of the performance, Christine Anu tweeted to fans *"PERFECT!!! I had a lump in the throat! Great story telling, song choices (not bias), choreography and use of costume/prop and colour. First in my eyes!"*

The contest performances were broadcast live on the international webcast and watched by thousands across the world.

Further information on Endeavour Harmony Chorus

Based in Caringbah, Sydney, Endeavour Harmony Chorus is a multi-award winning, dynamic female performing group specialising in 4 part harmony a-cappella singing.

They formed in 1996 with just 25 singers. The group rehearse every Tuesday evening, and now have more than 90 singers in the chorus, aged between 15 and 70 years. Among chorus members are scientists, teachers, fire fighters, doctors and students all with a passion for excellence in performance and the dedication to be the best in Australia.

Endeavour Harmony has won the Australian Championship in their last four contest appearances (2006, 2009, 2012 and 2014). The chorus has represented Australia on the international stage in Calgary (2007) Seattle (2010) and Hawaii (2013) and in Las Vegas (2015). Among other performances, they provided voices for the backing vocals in the original 'Happy Feet' movie.

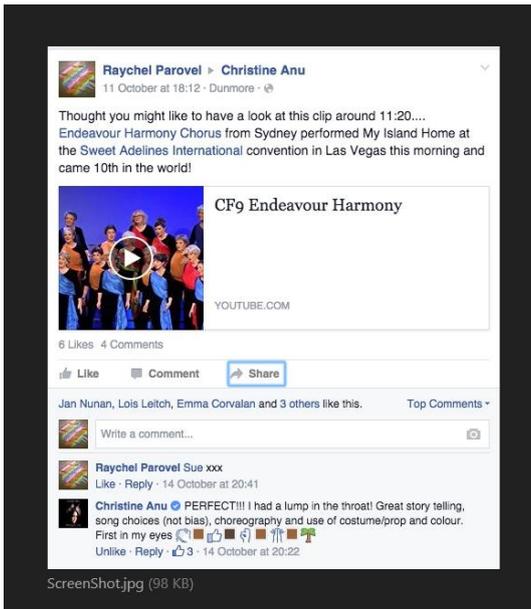
Endeavour Harmony is a member of Sweet Adelines International, the world's largest singing organisation for women. There are 25,000 members worldwide.

The chorus is holding a Christmas Concert on Tuesday 8 December in Caringbah. A new member drive will be held in February 2016. Details: www.endeavourharmony.com

For Further Media Information Contact :

Lea Baker, Musical Director, Endeavour Harmony Chorus. leasings3@gmail.com
0411 101 963.

Screenshot of tweet from Christine Anu:



Daily Mail article July 2015:

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-3143378/A-scientist-doctor-firefighter-Three-diverse-women-come-love-music-Happy-Foot-film-soundtrack.html>

Musical Director, Lea Baker



Photo courtesy of Read Photography

The chorus performing in the semi-finals:



Photo courtesy of Read Photography

The chorus performing in the finals:



Photo courtesy of Read Photography

Proud Australians!



Photo courtesy of Read Photography