

2026 FLACDA CONFERENCE

MUSIC IN ALL SPACES

Detailed Schedule

Thursday, October 22, 2026

3:00 pm	High School Honor Choir	3 rd floor & 2 nd floor
	SATB Rehearsal Schedule 3:45-8:50	
3:00 pm	Registration for All-Collegiate Lab Choir	Gathering Space
3:30 pm	Emerging Conductors Workshop	Chapel
	All-Collegiate Lab Choir Rehearsal 3:30-7:30	
6:00 pm	FLACDA Board Meeting	Classroom 6

Friday, October 23, 2026

7:30 am	Conference Registration Opens	Gathering Space
8:15 am	Plenary Reading Session 1	Chapel
	Emerging Conductors present a mix of titles expressing <i>Music in All Spaces</i> . Dr. Bryan Ijames, coordinator Generously sponsored by Head's House of Music, and FLACDA	
8:30 am	Check-in for Honor Choirs	Various locations
	SA @ FUMCO & TB @ Embassy: Rehearsal Schedule 9:00-11:30, 12:30-5:00 SATB @ FUMCO: Rehearsal Schedule 9:00-4:45	
9:30 am	Performance Session 1	Sanctuary
	Welcome & opening remarks Performance by Intercollegiate Choir. Dr. Michael Hanawalt, conducting West Orange High School, Bel Canto – Victoria Lane, conductor Bethune-Cookman University, Concert Chorale – Karl Van Richards, conductor	
11:00 am	Interest Session Block 1	Various locations
	<i>Beyond the Canon: A Treble Choir Toolkit for Teaching Nontraditional Language-Based Choral Repertoire</i> – Stacie Rossow [choir rm] <i>The Choir CEO: Managing the Business Behind the Music</i> – Brandi Neal [classroom 6] <i>From Page to Performance: Developing Singer Scores as a Pathway to Musical Independence</i> – McKenna Stenson, Sarita Gustely, Steven Olson [chapel]	
12:00 pm	Lunch served onsite (included)	Lobby
1:15 am	Performance Session 2	Sanctuary
	First Presbyterian Church of Gainesville, Chancel Choir – Mitch Rorick, conductor Braden River High School, River Rhapsody – Steven Armstrong, conductor	
2:30 pm	Interest Session Block 2	Various locations
	<i>Developing and Maintaining Intrinsic Motivation in Choirs</i> – Jason A. Dungee [chapel] <i>Timeless Voices: Female Composers Past and Present</i> – Rose Hellmers [choir rm]	
3:45 pm	Interest Session Block 3	Various locations
	<i>Blend is a Curse Word: How Vocal Placement Encourages Affirming, Healthy, and Positive Choral Unity</i> – Alex Glover [classroom 6] <i>Cultivating Joy: Strategies for Enlivening Choral Rehearsals</i> – Shane Thomas [choir rm] <i>Problem Solving in the 2020s: Practical Strategies for Developing Choirs</i> – Isaiah Maxey [chapel]	
4:35 pm	Inaugural Collegiate Research Poster Session	Gathering Space
5:15 pm	Awards & President's Concert	Sanctuary
	Hugoboom Award Interfaith concert hosted by Dr. Jeffery Ames with cantors, choirs and conductors from: Islamic Center of Orlando (Orlando) ~ New Bethel AME (Lakeland) Riverside Park UMC (Jax) ~ St. Luke's Cathedral (Orlando) ~ Temple Beth-El (Pensacola) Ledean Williams, collaborative pianist	

Saturday, October 24, 2026

7:45 am	Plenary Reading Session 2 <i>Anthems for Small Church Choirs</i> – Scott Leaman Generously sponsored by Beethoven & Company	Chapel
8:30 am	Performance Session 3 Woodlawn Beach Middle School, Advanced Treble Chorus – Paul Miller, conductor Festival Singers of Florida – Kevin Fenton, conductor	Sanctuary
8:45 am	Check-in for Honor Choirs SA @ FUMCO & TB @ Embassy: Reh. Schedule 9:00-10:30, 10:30-11:30; Perform 12:00 @ FUMCO SATB Rehearsal Schedule 8:00-12:30; Dress Rehearsal 2:00 @ FUMCO; Perform 3:15 @ FUMCO	Various locations
9:30 am	Keynote: Dr. Jeffery Ames	Sanctuary
10:30 am	Interest Session Block 4 <i>Choral Fingerprint: Discovering and Reshaping Your Special Legacy</i> – Ryan Person [chapel] <i>Community Choirs as Cultural Infrastructure: Lessons from Building Miami Sound Space</i> – Laurah Merisier [classroom 6] <i>Help! There's an Orchestra in Front of Me: A Choral Conductor's Survival Guide</i> – Michael Hanawalt [choir rm]	Various locations
12:00 pm	CTB and SA Honor Choir Perform 6-9 Cambiata/Tenor/Bass Honor Choir – Dr. Joshua Palkki, conductor; Angelyn Chen, collaborative pianist 6-9 Soprano/Alto Honor Choir – Dr. Janet Galván, conductor; Angie Monahan, collaborative pianist	Sanctuary
3:15 pm	SATB Honor Choir Perform 9-12 SATB Honor Choir: W. A. Mozart <i>Veni Sancte Spiritus</i> & Karl Jenkins <i>Te Deum</i> Dr. Joni Jensen, conductor & Lynn Peghiny, collaborative pianist	Sanctuary

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