

# CARNEGIE HALL | NEW YORK CITY

### June 12-16, 2026

Open to both treble and changed voice singers in grades 6-12 and recent alumni\*!



**Manhattan Concert Productions** invites the Pensacola Children's Chorus to perform at **Carnegie Hall** on June 15, 2026. Under the leadership of PCC Artistic Director **Alex Gartner**, PCC singers will serve as the core ensemble for the MCP **National Youth Chorus**, a convocation of elite youth choirs from across the United States. In addition to this remarkable performance opportunity, your 5-day trip to the Big Apple includes tickets to **2 Broadway Musicals**, the opportunity to survey the New York City skyline from atop the **Rockefeller Center**, views of the **Statue of Liberty**, and so much more!

To answer the age-old question of "how do you get to Carnegie Hall," we say "practice, practice, practice... and be a part of the prestigious Pensacola Children's Chorus." This **invitation-only** performance is one not to be missed. It will create memories that will last a lifetime.

This concert and tour experience is administered in partnership with Manhattan Concert Productions.



\* Graduating classes of 2024 and 2025 are eligible to participate Packet last updated 5/30/2025.

### ITINERARY

Subject to change

#### **Day 1** – Friday, June 12, 2026

#### **GIVE YOUR REGARDS TO BROADWAY**

Your trip begins with a flight from Pensacola to **New York City**. Be sure to get those camera phones out as you prepare for landing for your first look at one of the world's most iconic cities. You'll be transferred to your hotel and your group will be free to explore **Times Square** and enjoy an evening **Broadway show**.

#### Day 2 - Saturday, June 13, 2026

#### HOW DO YOU GET TO CARNEGIE HALL?

Practice, practice, practice! Your first full day in the city will be marked by your first rehearsal with youth choirs across the United States as you begin preparing for your Carnegie Hall performance. Earlier in the day, you'll get to experience the **Summit at One Vanderbilt** and spend some free time in **Central Park** or **World Trade Center**. With a city this big, the possibilities are endless!

#### Day 3 - Sunday, June 14, 2026

#### CONCRETE JUNGLE... WHERE DREAMS ARE MADE OF

There is no trip to New York without experiencing its best view – from above! After a morning rehearsal, you'll soar above the streets atop **Rockefeller Center**. Later, you'll enjoy your second **Broadway show**.

#### Day 4 - Monday, June 15, 2026

#### **IT'S SHOWTIME**

Your **Carnegie Hall debut** performance! Today will be focused on making final preparations for your exciting performance. Before the afternoon dress rehearsal, PCC will have the opportunity to present a **solo performance** in the historic Isaac Stern Auditorium. Later, you'll join with your colleagues from across the United States as a part of the **National Youth Chorus**. After the evening concert is complete, we'll enjoy a farewell buffet dinner.

#### Day 5 - Tuesday, June 16, 2026

#### NOT GOODBYE, BUT SEE YOU LATER

While this trip to New York City must come to an end, your relationship with the Big Apple is just beginning. As you board your plane back to Pensacola, start dreaming of the next time that NYC calls you home.



## **PRICING INFORMATION**

Priced per participant, based on minimum enrollment - June 12-16, 2026

<b>PERFORMER PRICING</b> Quad occupancy (4/room) Double occupancy (2/room; singer must room with chaperone)	\$1,889 \$2,239
<b>CHAPERONE PRICING+</b> Double occupancy (2/room; chaperone + singer OR chaperone + chaperone) Single occupancy	\$1,999 \$2,439
<b>TAGALONG PRICING+</b> Quad occupancy (4/room) Triple occupancy (3/room) Double occupancy (2/room) Single occupancy (1/room)	\$2,089 \$2,169 \$2,239 \$2,639
AIRFARE*	add \$700

#### **TOUR PRICE INCLUDES...**

- Roundtrip airfare from Pensacola to New York City in economy class (airfare packages only)
- 4 nights hotel accommodations at Westin Times Square (corner of 43<sup>rd</sup> St. and 8<sup>th</sup> Ave.)
- Solo performance at Carnegie Hall, Isaac Stern Auditorium
- Combined performance with National Youth Choir at Carnegie Hall, Isaac Stern Auditorium
- 4 dinners, including post-concert buffet
- 8-trip MTA transit pass
- Ticket to 2 Broadway shows (show selection TBD)
- Ticket to Summit One Vanderbilt
- Ticket to Top of the Rock observation deck at Rockefeller Center

#### **TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE...**

- Checked luggage (airfare packages only)
- Meals not stipulated above or in final itinerary
- PCC-branded tour attire
- Trip insurance

+ Please review p. 7-8 for information on the differences between chaperones and tagalongs.

\* Group flight reservations, by travel industry standard, are assessed at higher rates. This figure represents the most any passenger on the group reservation will likely pay to fly with the group. Any decrease in fare will result in a decrease in the overall trip cost for airfare packages only. If you desire to fly with the group, select this option.

### PRICING IS LIKELY TO CHANGE

Final balances will be issued in March 2026 which will reflect any increases or decreases in price.

## **REGISTRATION & PAYMENT**

#### TRIP REGISTRATION

Prospective travelers are welcome to register for the trip at any point before **January 31, 2026**. To take advantage of the trip fundraising and payment schedule, singers are encouraged to register ASAP.

#### DEPOSIT

The trip deposit is due on July 31, 2025, but can be collected at any point before the registration deadline along with other payments. For those traveling with airfare, this totals \$516.00. For those without group airfare, this totals \$356.00. Participants are not considered registered until the deposit is received.

#### **ROLLING ENROLLMENT**

As previously stated, travelers can register for the trip at any point prior to January 31, 2026. However, in order to register on or after July 31, 2025, the traveler must remit the sum total of all previous payments in accordance with the above schedule to be considered registered. (For example, if registering on the monthly payment plan on September 1, the trip's deposit and Payment 3 would be required in order to be considered registered.)

#### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

All payments will be handled directly through Pensacola Children's Chorus (PCC).

Bi-Monthly Payments			Monthly Payments				
	with 🖈	w/o ★			with 🛪	w/o ★	
	\$129	\$89	June 15, 2025	-	\$258 \$258 \$258	\$178	June 30, 2025
Deposit	\$129	\$89	June 30, 2025				
Deposit	\$129	\$89	July 15, 2025	Deposit		\$178	July 31, 2025
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5	\$129	\$89	August 15, 2025	3	\$258	\$178	August 31, 2025
6	\$129	\$89	August 31, 2025	5			
7	\$129	\$89	September 15, 2025	4 \$	\$258	\$178	September 30, 2025
8	\$129	\$89	September 30, 2025				
9	\$129	\$89	October 15, 2025	5	\$258	\$178	October 31, 2025
10	\$129	\$89	October 31, 2025				
11	\$129	\$89	November 15, 2025	6	\$258	\$178	November 30, 2025
12	\$129	\$89	November 30, 2025	0			
13	\$129	\$89	December 15, 2025	7	\$258	\$258 \$178	December 31, 2025
14	\$129	\$89	December 31, 2025	1			
15	\$129	\$89	January 15, 2026	8 \$2	\$258	\$178	January 31, 2026
16	\$129	\$89	January 31, 2026	0			
17	\$129	\$89	February 15, 2026	9	\$258	\$178	February 28, 2026
18	\$129	\$89	February 28, 2026				
Final	Bali	псе	March 31, 2026	Final	Bali	ance	March 31, 2026

#### FUNDRAISING

Fundraising to offset the cost of the trip is available for singers. Information can be found on p. 6.

### **PAYMENT TERMS & PROCEDURES**

#### **AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS**

To ensure accounts remain current, it is recommended that participants enroll in automatic payments through PCC's automated system. ACH bank drafts and credit cards are accepted. Credit cards will incur a 3.49% processing fee. ACH bank drafts will incur a 1.49% processing fee.

#### **CLICK-TO-PAY INVOICING**

Electronic invoices can also be sent to your inbox for click-to-pay processing. ACH bank drafts and credit cards are accepted and will incur a 2.89% processing fee.

#### **FEE-FREE PAYMENTS**

To avoid processing fees, cash and check payments are accepted. For your convenience, electronic invoices (with click-to-pay disabled) will be sent to your email inbox as a reminder that payment is due.

#### LATE PAYMENTS

Tour-related invoices that are left unpaid for more than 30 days will be automatically assessed a 10% late fee that shall not be waived for any reason. This fee is compounded by an additional 10% for every 30 additional days that invoice goes unpaid.

#### DELINQUENCY

Accounts that have an overdue balance of greater than 25% of the total amount due-to-date per traveler on or before December 15, 2025, will be automatically dropped from the trip without a refund. Additionally, traveler who has completed registration paperwork for the trip but has not remitted the deposit on or before October 31, 2025, will be automatically dropped from the trip, and any funds already remitted will not be refunded.

#### **FINAL BALANCE**

It's important to note that the sum total of all payments assessed through the payment schedule <u>do</u> <u>not equal the total cost of the trip</u>. Due to pricing fluctuations that are inevitable between May 2025 and June 2026, PCC will reprice the trip to reflect any increases or decreases and assess final payments, along with any fundraising credits, in early March 2026. Current pricing reflects anticipated costs and trends as of May 2025.

#### **CANCELATION SCHEDULE**

Cancelation must be received by Pensacola Children's Chorus in writing.

#### If cancelation notice is received...

On or before December 1, 2026 On or before January 1, 2026 On or before February 1, 2026 On or after March 1, 2026 Refund will equate to...

100% minus deposit 100% minus \$650.00 100% minus \$900.00 No refund

### **TOUR FUNDRAISING**

#### ELIGIBILITY

Trip participants who are enrolled as a member of PCC's Resident Choir Program are eligible to participate in tour fundraising. Fundraising monies may not be applied to chaperone or tagalong accounts, nor do they carry from season-to-season.

#### **UP-TO-DATE PAYMENT**

In order to receive any fundraising credit, a singer's account must be current with no past due invoices by the time a particular fundraiser's deadline is due. If, in the event a fundraiser deadline has passed and a singer has a past due account, any accrued fundraising credit will be reduced by 10% for every 5 days the account is past due.

#### **APPLYING FUNDRAISING MONIES**

In most cases, tour fundraising is applied as a credit to your final tour balance, which will be calculated the week of March 2, 2026. If the total monies raised exceeds the final balance, a refund check will be issued, but not in an amount that exceeds the total cost of the trip. Any monies raised above the cost of the trip will be forfeited to a developing tour scholarship fund.

#### **TRIP UNENROLLMENT**

If a singer unenrolls from the trip for any reason, no fundraising credit will be issued, and any accrued fundraising monies may not be applied to future travel and will be forfeited to a developing tour scholarship fund.

#### **FUNDRAISING SCHEDULE**

Will be announced by July 9, 2025!

### **CHAPERONES & NON-PERFORMERS**

Parents, guardians, and family members are invited to join our PCC singers on this trip. If you are interested in this opportunity, please review the following information regarding **CHAPERONES** as well as those who wish to join the trip without chaperoning responsibilities.

#### **CHAPERONE ELIGIBILITY**

Chaperones are essential components of every tour. As an extension of staff leadership, chaperones ensure that PCC's standards of conduct are observed and demonstrated by singers at all times. Because chaperones play a crucial role in creating a positive and memorable tour experience, they are carefully vetted and may only enroll in the trip after receiving an invitation.

A participating singer's family member can serve as a chaperone. Parents/guardians are preferred, and couples who wish to travel together must both apply to serve as chaperone. Other family members (e.g. grandparent, aunt/uncle, older sibling who is 25+) may be able to chaperone after interviewing with PCC staff. Because chaperones serve as caretakers of singers during the trip, they are required to pass a Level 2 background check, have a general demeanor that is aligned with PCC's code of conduct, and a track record of conduct that demonstrates an ability to prioritize all children, not just one's own.

Because this trip is a choir tour, not a family vacation, chaperones may only accompany PCC singers who enroll in the trip. A chaperone may not be responsible for any other child or sibling under the age of 21 while serving as a chaperone. These individuals are welcome to enroll as a tagalong provided that another adult (25+) also registers as a tagalong. <u>Tagalongs and chaperones will not share rooms, regardless of familial affiliation</u>.

If you are interested in serving as a chaperone, please **complete the online interest form**. After vetting, you may be invited to register for the tour.

#### **NON-PERFORMERS**

Those who wish to enroll in PCC's tour but without chaperoning responsibilities may sign up as a **TAGALONG**. These individuals get to enjoy the group activities provided in the itinerary and are welcome to wander off on their own during designated periods in the itinerary (namely during rehearsals).

It is important to note that tagalongs, regardless of familial affiliation, may not remove a PCC singer from the group itinerary at any time. Additionally, to separate touring from family vacation, any parent/guardian of a PCC singer enrolled in the tour must apply to be a chaperone. In all circumstances, <u>tagalongs and chaperones will not share rooms</u>, regardless of familial affiliation.

#### GROUPIES

For those who want to do their own thing, plan a vacation to New York City using PCC's dates! Those who do so acknowledge that PCC's tour runs independently of any planned vacation, and as such, PCC singers and chaperones may not deviate from the itinerary at any time. Groupies will not be added to group activities at any time or for any reason, and those who violate this understanding will be subject to removal by PCC staff.

### CHAPERONES & NON-PERFORMERS (continued)

Still deciding how to enjoy New York City? Please review the following chart and contact the PCC staff with any questions!

	CHAPERONES	TAGLONGS	GROUPIES	
Eligibility	Direct relative of PCC singer OR is a PCC board member	Direct relative of PCC singer (those under 21 must be accompanied by an adult tagalong who is 25+)	Anyone!	
Registration	Through interest form, then after invitation and successful background check	Through standard registration	n/a	
Itinerary	Adhere to PCC itinerary at all times	Adhere to PCC itinerary as directed	Make their own itinerary	
Group experiences	Participate with PCC	Participate with PCC as directed	Not eligible to participate	
Responsibilities	Supervise assigned group of singers at designated times	n/a	n/a	
Rehearsal Access	Authorized	Unauthorized	n/a	
Carnegie dress rehearsal	Required	Invited	Unauthorized	
Carnegie ticket	Provided	Provided	Not provided	
Access to PCC touring singer	Assigned to chaperone group/hotel room*	During group activities*	No dedicated access+	
Rooming*	May room with own child who is a PCC singer	May not room with PCC singer or trip chaperone	n/a	
Other siblings (≤21)	May not stay in chaperone + singer room	May enroll as a tagalong with another tagalong who is 25+	n/a	
Takes direction from	PCC staff	PCC staff	PCC staff if alongside group for whatever reason	

\* Chaperone + Singer rooms are 2/room, unless both parents/guardians enroll as chaperones. There will be no mixing of tagalongs + chaperones OR tagalongs + singers in rooming assignments.

+ Please refer to singer-first policy for more information.

#### SINGER-FIRST POLICY

This tour is an official activity of the Pensacola Children's Chorus. Therefore, **singers must remain with the PCC group and on PCC's itinerary at all times**. As such, tagalongs and groupies *may not* interfere in the tour by removing singers from the assigned itinerary at any point. If you desire to experience this tour round-the-clock with your child, please apply to be a chaperone with the understanding that <u>invitation is not guaranteed</u>. If you choose to enroll as a tagalong, you do so with the understanding that your child is required to adhere to PCC's itinerary and may not be removed from their chaperone group or assigned room without express permission from trip leaders.

#### Please reach out to PCC Staff to learn which option is best for you!