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CORIN FESTIVAL 2026

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Bologna – Emilia Romagna - Italy



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THE PROJECT

The 12th edition of the International Choir Festival "**Corin Festival**" is an important event that combines the passion for music and singing with the universal values of friendship and solidarity. It is a friendly and non-competitive choir meeting that fosters the approach of distant and different musical cultures.

The festival is dedicated to various musical styles and is held every year in October. The artistic direction and organization are in the hands of **Professor Manuela Borghi**, choir director and president of the Schola Cantorum choir of Bazzano, in collaboration with music & friends.



Objectives

With this project, the following objectives are to be achieved:

- Raise awareness, deepen, and spread choral music.
- Spread musical culture through "singing together."
- Promote knowledge and socialization between groups from different countries who share a common passion for the art of choral singing.
- Present to the guest choirs the history of our country through various production entities in our area and promote them from a tourist perspective.



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EMILIA ROMAGNA

The diversity between **the mountains and the sea** offers visitors to Emilia Romagna breathtaking views, as well as beauty for the eye and the soul, with a mixture of colors, aromas, joy, music, cinema, and art, all in a single region.

Art and culture have found their ideal breeding ground here. This is the land of **Verdi's** novels and **Giovanni Pascoli's** poetry, as well as **Fellini's** unmistakable cinema.

Bologna is the capital of Emilia Romagna. The city of fairs and trade condenses these aspects in the **Basilica of San Petronio**, one of the most beautiful churches in Italy with its unique and unfinished facade. In Modena, the city of taste and home of tortellini, you can visit the Romanesque cathedral and the bell tower **Ghirlandina**.

A journey through this region can be under different signs, one of them is undoubtedly the art of enjoyment, with a cuisine full of intense yet refined flavors like the famous mortadella, the world-renowned Parma ham, along with Grana and Parmesan, trademarks of Italian gastronomy. Finally, the wines: Trebbiano, Lambrusco, Barbera, and Sangiovese.



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ITINERARY



DAY 1

Arrival during the afternoon in Valsamoggia, Bologna, or nearby.
Check-in to your hotel rooms.
Dinner at the hotel.
Overnight at the hotel.

DAY 2

Breakfast at the hotel.
Departure for the guided tour of Bologna or Modena (approx. 2 hours, not including entrance fees).
Lunch at a restaurant. In the afternoon, return to the hotel and prepare for the Choir Concert.
At 8:30 pm, Grand Concerto of the Corin Festival in a local theater (for example, Teatre Fanin in San Giovanni in Persiceto or Teatre Laura Betti in Casalecchio) with all participating choirs.
After the concert, return to the hotel.
Overnight at the hotel.

DAY 3

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out.
At 10:30 in the morning, Choral Greeting at Villa Nicolaj, Villa Saporì Lazzari, or Rocca Bentivoglio in Valsamoggia with choral singing and refreshments.
After the Choral Greeting, departure.



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Opening

Date: Friday afternoon or Saturday morning

Location: Valsamoggia, Località Bazzano (20 km outside of Bologna)

Opening: Local authorities and organization will welcome the participants

Repertoire: Free choice

Performance: Each choir performs 1 song, a cappella

Duration: Approximately 1 hour (depends on the number of participating choirs)

Gran Concerto “Corin Festival”

Date: Saturday, October 3th, 2026

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: In a local theater of Valsamoggia (for example: Teatre Fanin in San Giovanni in Persiceto or Teatre Laura Betti in Casalecchio, both about 20 km outside of Bologna)

Repertoire: Free choice, no compulsory pieces

Duration: 15 minutes for each choir (maximum 5 pieces for each choir)

Performance: One choir after another

Common song: Ode to Joy

Presentation: By a speaker in Italian

Electronic piano: Available

Chroal Greeting

Date: Sunday, October 4th, 2026

Time: 10:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Location: Villa Nicolaj, Villa Sapori Lazzari, or Rocca Bentivoglio in Valsamoggia (20 km outside of Bologna)

Repertoire: Free choice, no compulsory pieces

Duration: Approximately 12 minutes for each choir (maximum 3 songs for each choir)

Performance: One choir after another

Presentation: By the organization

Information: After the performance of the individual choirs, there will be refreshments offered by the Schola Cantorum di Bazzano.



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