



June 15-16, 2018

**DoubleTree Hotel
350 - 1st Avenue, N.E.
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
319-731-4444**

**Kim Vaughn
Vickie Maybury
Renée Porzel**

**Early Bird Registration - \$99 by May 31 (Includes t-shirt and lunch on Saturday)
Regular Registration - \$99 by June 14 (No t-shirt and no lunch included)
At Door Registration - \$125 (No t-shirt and no lunch included)**

KIM VAUGHN

Kim Vaughn is a certified Sound judge; a member of the Education Direction Committee; an international faculty coordinator; and Master Director 700 of former international champions, San Diego Chorus. A Sweet Adeline since 1974, she was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2014.

Kim is one of only eight women in the Sweet Adelines Organization to have won both an International Quartet Championship (3 times - High Society, Savvy, and A Cappella Gold), and a chorus International Championship, as a Director (San Diego Chorus).

Having retired from directing the San Diego Chorus, Kim now travels extensively coaching quartets and choruses all over the world. If you want to know why she does what she does, and why she brings so much passion to her work, you can hear it in her own words...



"There isn't any way that Sweet Adelines hasn't changed my life. I don't think I realized until I joined Sweet Adelines and became a chorus director, chorus singer, and quartet singer, that I was creative. I never thought of myself that way. Now I feel like every possibility is open, especially musically. The performances and shows you can do opens up a whole new world. It gives you a place to sing, to stretch your musical skills, ... it just does so much more than that. We change women's lives. I know, because I am one of them."

VICKIE MAYBURY



Vickie is highly respected in the Sweet Adelines International organization. She has earned certified international faculty rank and is a certified Expression category judge. Vickie's influence is far-reaching. She is known worldwide for her vivacious energy, exceptional positivity, and a frank, yet loving and supportive teaching approach. She's a highly sought-after vocal coach and clinician known for helping singers "find their voices" -- both literally and figuratively through a unique and highly engaging teaching style. Vickie coaches numerous choruses and quartets around the world in addition to maintaining a busy private voice studio.

Her teaching repertoire is expansive. Vocal production, the psychology of performance, understanding how the Expression category affects performance, the art of expressive singing, and preparing for success are touchstone classes. Vickie's classes on leadership, effective musical and administrative team development, and identifying and supporting new and emerging leaders are consistent learner favorites.

RENEE PORZEL

Renée Porzel is an internationally recognized teacher and coach, constantly in demand for her expertise in the area of showmanship. She is highly respected for her ability to inspire and motivate others.

Renée is a member of the Sweet Adelines International Faculty Program and has taught at numerous regional and international educational events. She is active in the International Judging Program as a Certified Showmanship Judge, and is the Judge Specialist Moderator for 2016-2017. Renée is also a member of the Sweet Adelines International Board of Directors and served as International President from 2012-14. Renee coaches choruses and quartets around the world, and specializes in helping groups reach their potential visually and vocally, and treasures the opportunity to partner with them to help them reach their performance and competition goals.





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Who, What, When, Where and Why's

The Battle is designed for ...

- Region 3 and Region 5 and ALL Sweet Adeline International members
- Other female singers who want to learn more about singing barbershop.
- Music Educators who want to learn more about the barbershop art form (male or female)

The Battle is ...

- 1 ½ days of Barbershop education
- An opportunity to sing in a Large chorus directed and choreographed by the Best of the Best
- A chance to battle it out on stage and demonstrate what you have learned
- A fun time with other barbershop junkies

The Battle is being held on ...

- A general welcome session on Friday evening, June 15th 7:00 p.m.
- Chorus members must be ready to attend the first rehearsal on Friday evening at 7:30 p.m.
- Chorus rehearsals will be held on Saturday, June 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- The Battle will begin on Saturday at 8:00 p.m.

The Battle is being held at:

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350 - 1st Avenue, N.E.
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401
319-731-4444

Why you should attend ...

- To be part of this Astounding Region 3 and Region 5 Joint **Battle of the Barbershop Stars**
- To learn from the best directors in the Sweet Adelines International organization
- To improve your vocal production skills
- To meet up with your friends in harmony
- To learn more about the unique American art form of barbershop harmony
- To have a great performance experience

Music and Learning Tracks

Once you are registered, within a few days, you will be sent a link to the music and learning tracks.

Other Battle facts...

- Chorus assignments will be made by the event team, based upon your vocal part
- Each vocal part will receive a color-coded t-shirt
- Music and learning tapes will be available on the Region 5 website (we will notify you after registration received)
- All chorus participants are responsible for learning the music prior to the event to be prepared for rehearsals and to experience the best education
- If chorus directors/choreographers request special attire for the evening show, chorus members will receive an e-mail prior to the event with the attire information.

Registrations:Brown Paper Tickets: <https://barbershopbattle.brownpapertickets.com/>

Paper registration mailed to: Beth Hager, 3559 Somerset Hills Dr., St. Charles, MO 63303

Your registration will require your voice part, email address and t-shirt size. After registering, you will be assigned one of the choruses directed by Kim or Vickie. Renee will be choreographer for both choruses. Your specific learning track and music will be made available to you. After you register, an access code will be emailed to you. T-shirts will be passed out at the time of on-site registration on June 15th. Register either by Brown Paper Tickets or via snail mail. Registrations are transferable but not refundable. No partial weekend registrations allowed.

Tentative Schedule of Events

Day/Time	Event	Location	Faculty
Friday, June 15			
5pm – 7pm	Registration	Grand Ballroom AC	
7pm	Welcome	Grand Ballroom AC	
7:30pm – 10:00pm	On the risers with Faculty	TBD	Kim and Vickie Renee - Choreo
Saturday, June 16			
8am – 9am	Registration	Grand Ballroom AC	
9am – 9:15am	Welcome and Housekeeping Information	Grand Ballroom AC	
9:15am – Noon	On the Risers with Faculty	TBD	Kim and Vickie Renee - Choreo
Noon – 1:00pm	Buffet Lunch	Grand Ballroom B	
1 – 5pm	On the Risers with Faculty	TBD	Kim and Vickie Renee - Choreo
5 – 7:30pm	Dinner (on your own)		
8:00pm	"The "Battle"	Grand Ballroom AC	
8:30pm - ???	Party, tag singing, cash bar, quartets and more	Grand Ballroom	

Hotel Facts:

The Battle of the Barbershops Stars will be located at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Cedar Rapids Convention Complex. Conveniently located in downtown Cedar Rapids, Iowa, just off I-380, 15 minutes from Eastern Iowa Airport. The hotel overlooks the Cedar River and downtown Cedar Rapids. Shuttle service is available for guests to attractions within a five mile radius.

Reservations Link:

<http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/C/CIDCCDT-RBC-20180615/index.ihtml>

If members call in to make their reservations, the block name they will need to ask for is "Region 5 Battle of the Barbershops" They can also ask for Group Code RBC. Using the link is the best way to make reservations, but phone reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at 319-731-4444 or by calling our toll free reservations line at 1-800-774-1500.

Room Rate: Double Bed/ Double Occupancy \$114, total charge per night is \$129.82 (includes fees and taxes).

Reminder: The Region blocks a certain number of rooms for our weekend, if we do not meet that room block and do not meet our attrition numbers, we pay for the rooms not used. We ask all of you registering for the Battle to please stay at the DoubleTree. Thank you.

Room Reservations must be made by no later than May 26, 2018. If you do not meet this deadline, we cannot guarantee the nightly rate of \$114 so please make your reservations early.

Check-in and Check-out

- Check-in: 3:00 pm
- Check-out: 12:00 am

The hotel will be able to arrange for luggage storage for those arriving early or for those planning a late departure.

Property Information

To learn of Services and Amenities at the DoubleTree in Cedar Rapids - use the link below

<http://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/iowa/doubletree-by-hilton-hotel-cedar-rapids-convention-complex-CIDCCDT/index.html>

Parking

- There are 2 parking facilities attached to the Hotel. You can choose to pay at the garages, with the charge being \$.75 per hour, with a daily maximum of \$18.00 or add the \$12.00 parking to your hotel bill and you have in and out privileges at the garage.

Dining and Lounges

- The restaurant in the hotel is open each day for Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner. There is also a cocktail lounge available. All three meals are offered with menu service and at breakfast, a buffet is available for \$15.00. The restaurant is called "350 First" and it is located on the 16th floor – great views!
- Located in downtown Cedar Rapids, there are many choices of restaurants and bars.
- A complete list of restaurants will be available at time of check in.
- Drinks purchased outside the hotel cannot be brought into the meeting rooms, but can be brought into the hotel rooms.

Airport Directions:

The Eastern Iowa Regional Airport (CID) Cedar Rapids is very close (20 minutes from downtown) with a shuttle service.

The DoubleTree Hotel is located downtown on First Avenue attached to the US Cellular Convention and Event Center.

Driving Directions - Follow 380 North to Exit 20B 7th Street E towards US Cellular Center. Turn right onto 7th Street NE, then take the 2nd right onto 1st Ave NE. Hotel will be on the right.

The Battle of the Barbershop Stars

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Registration Form

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Chorus Name: _____

Voice Part:

- Lead Tenor Baritone Bass

T-Shirt Size:

- Small
 Medium
 Large
 XL
 2XL
 3XL
 4XL

Buffet Lunch will be provided.

Dietary Restrictions:

- Gluten Intolerance
 Lactose Intolerance
 Vegetarian
 Vegan

Mail your registration and check made payable to:

Spirit of the Midwest
Beth Hager
3559 Somerset Hills Dr.
St. Charles, MO 63303

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Questions? Email reg5finance@gmail.com