

What is a Threshold Choir?

Threshold Choirs honor the ancient tradition of singing at the bedsides of people who are struggling: some with living, some with dying. The voice, as the original human instrument, is a true and gracious vehicle for compassion and comfort.

When invited, small groups of 2 or 3 singers visit the bedsides of people who are sick, dying, or in a coma. Music is chosen to respond to each client's musical taste, spiritual direction and physical capacity. Songs might include rounds, chants, lullabies, hymns, spirituals and classical choral music. The choir will visit a client on an ongoing basis, as long as necessary for healing, comfort or transition.



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The Threshold Choir

a healing chorus at
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*Providing service
in song
through life's
transitions*

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How did the Threshold Choir start?



In 2000, Kate Munger of Inverness, California, founded the first of what she thought would be primarily local Bay Area Threshold Choirs, for women who are called to

sing at the bedsides of people in need. Today there are over 1,600 singers in more than 60 choirs in 17 states throughout North America and in 4 countries.

The Threshold Choir at Indian Hill Music started in the fall of 2007, after two faculty/staff members read an article about Munger in "Real Simple" magazine and were inspired to bring such a group to the East Coast. The group of female and male singers meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. The choir is a way for singers to express gratitude for the rich gift of singing in their lives, offer their voices in unique and rewarding service, and bring together a community that knows that true service heals everyone.

To learn more about Kate Munger and her Threshold Choir work, visit www.thresholdchoir.org.

How do I arrange a visit?

Threshold Choir members will visit bedsides only when invited by a client or a client's family or caregivers. The service is provided free of charge to the client.

**To request a bedside visit,
call Indian Hill Music,
(978) 486-9524.**

Dial "0" to speak with a receptionist during office hours: M-F 9am - 5pm and Sat. 9am - 1pm. Evenings and weekends dial ext. 375.

You also may contact Threshold Choir director Pam Espinosa (ext. 317) directly for more information about arranging a bedside visit or joining the choir. New members are always welcome!

To learn more about the Threshold Choir, a healing chorus at Indian Hill Music, visit www.indianhillmusic.org.



About Indian Hill Music

Located northwest of Boston, in Littleton, Massachusetts, Indian Hill Music is a non-profit music education and performance center whose mission is to benefit individuals, families and communities through music. Indian Hill Music is committed to musical philanthropy, giving back the gift of music to the community. The Threshold Choir, a healing chorus at Indian Hill Music, supports that mission.

Our professional performance series features symphonic concerts by The Orchestra of Indian Hill, as well as chamber music, jazz, musical theater and family events. Serving 1,500 students of all ages and abilities with its faculty of 80 college and conservatory-trained professional artist/educators, our community Music School offers private instruction, group lessons and ensembles for all instruments and voice in a variety of genres, including classical, jazz, folk, popular, Celtic, musical theater and opera.

Our Community Outreach Initiative brings lessons and educational programs into public schools, provides free lunch-time concerts each month for seniors, and awards more than \$37,000 in need-based scholarships to students in its service area each year.

Indian Hill Music relies on the generosity of individuals, families, corporations and foundations to support our many community programs. Please contact us to make a tax-deductible contribution or bequest.

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