Jim Kline passes

The Barbershop Harmony Society mourns the passing of Jim Kline, beloved barbershop arranger. A multitalented musician, Jim was a driving force in the development of barbershop music. He was instrumental in organizing the 1973 International Barbershop Quartet Contest, one of the first events of its kind. In 1976, he co-founded the College Quartet Contest, which became the College Harmony Contest and then the College Music Competition. Since then, he was a mainstay in the harmony society, contributing his passion for barbershop and Barbershoppers stayed with you forever.

Roger Payne's arrangement, available in all formats

Your gang of ghouls will be the toast of the town with Monster Mash, the timeless novelty song from the '60s. Your gang

The 2024 Midwinter Convention

The 2024 Midwinter Convention registration is now open! Join us January 9-14 in the city that never sleeps...

Stay in the heart of it

With only 400 rooms available, The New York Times Square—convenient to the headquarters hotel—will be contestable barbershop. So each group will perform two songs, one of which must be an American folk song arranged by Roger Payne, as shown in Monster Mash. The other song will be your own choice.

Whatever your group specializes in—church choirs, youth choirs, community choruses, symphonic choruses... anything is possible! Of course, we want them to also taste the community: church choirs, youth choruses, community choruses, symphonic choruses... anything is possible!

Imagine who might come to experience our welcoming culture and offstage activities, and all under one roof!

The Festival is a unique opportunity for performing groups to enjoy a big stage in New York City. All seating will be reserved, and you get to choose your favorite seat: Regular seating, Premium seating, or even Premium seating. The choice is yours.

And don't forget to stay a while. In the heart of Times Square, you're within walking distance of the Empire State Building, the Metropolitan Opera, and the famous Crossroads of the World.

Skim through decades of history, education, and suggestions online in the BHS Member Center. Did you know? The entire Harmonizer archive is open to everyone and located directly behind the harmonizer... even the suggestions! Accelerate your learning curve with these barbershop arranger—it's a learnable skill.