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BARBERSHOP NEWS

We all sang the old songs with Les

One of the biggest hearts in barbershop has left us. Les Cudworth, age 90, passed away this week, leaving behind a legacy of spirit, cheer and open-heartedness we all should aspire to.

Les was much-beloved throughout the Society, and a fixture at **Harmony University**, where he often led impromptu Polecat singing before general sessions. His famous "I Sang The Old Songs With Les" lapel buttons were found everywhere— at conventions, youth camps, and literally anywhere Barbershoppers gathered. **Watch Les** in a series of 2016 interviews.

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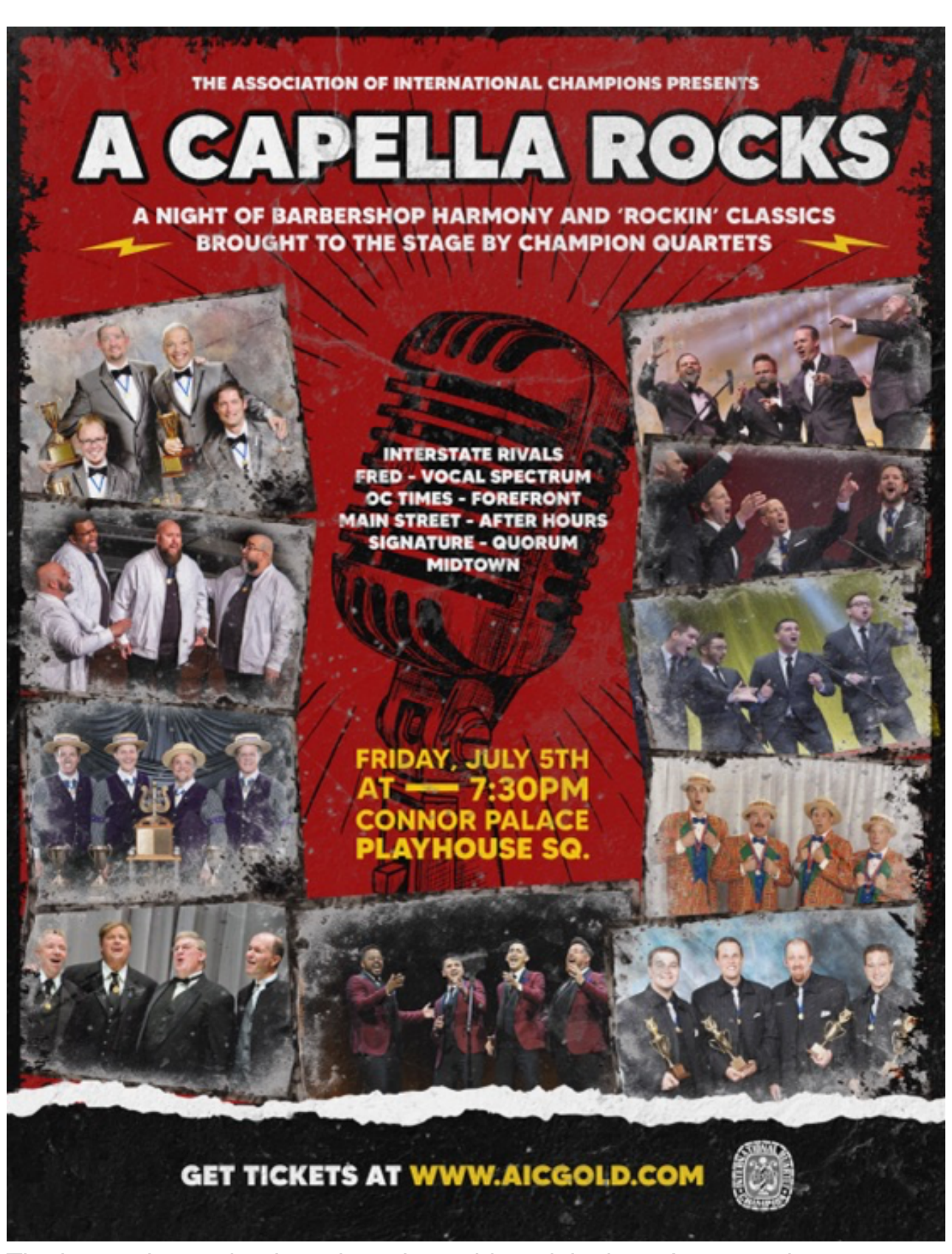
Champs rock Cleveland



THE ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONS PRESENTS
A CAPELLA ROCKS
A NIGHT OF BARBERSHOP HARMONY AND 'ROCKIN' CLASSICS BROUGHT TO THE STAGE BY CHAMPION QUARTETS
INTERSTATE RIVALS
FRED - VOCAL SPECTRUM
OC TIMES - FOREFRONT
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MIDTOWN
FRIDAY, JULY 5TH
AT 7:30PM
CONNOR PALACE
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The innovation and artistry that wins gold medals doesn't stop at the championship. Get ready for **A Capella Rocks!** This extraordinary concert fuses barbershop harmony with timeless rock classics, brought to life by ten active champ quartets.

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Make it a three-day weekend!

Cleveland
2024 INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION

Grab a **weekend pass or single-day passes** (**sold separately**) to see the Chorus Festival, International Chorus Championship, and International Quartet Finals. In every possible way, Cleveland rocks with barbershop!

ADD WEEKEND PASS

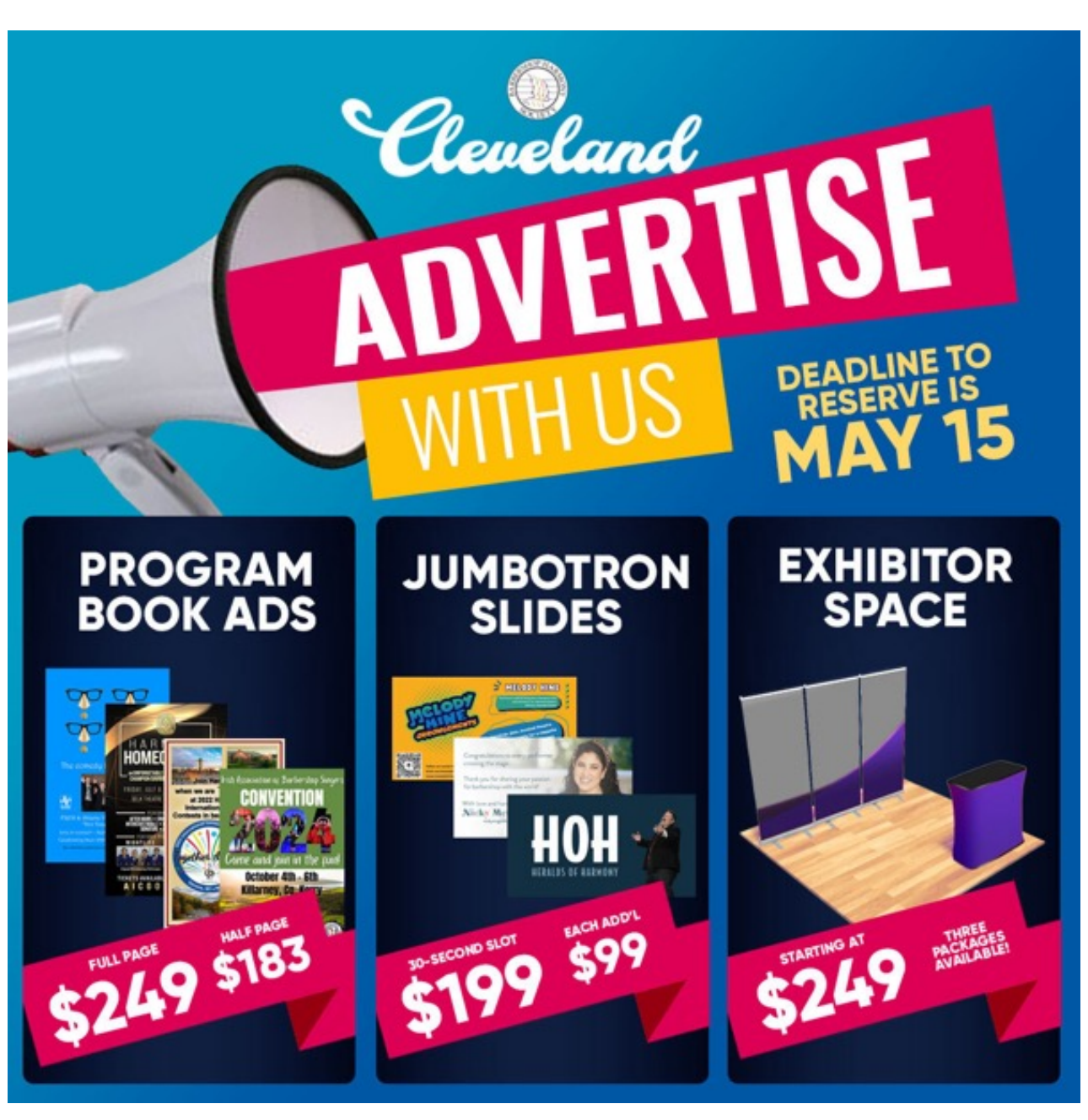
FIRST TIME AT HU? NO WORRIES!

Make new friends at Harmony University

Yes, the **education** is fantastic, the **faculty** superb, the hobnobbing with heroes unmatched. AND… **Harmony University**, the flagship education event of the Barbershop Harmony Society, is an even better place for making new friends from across the world. Ask our pal, Joey, who found a new group of friends in the **Next Gen Chorus**.

REGISTER NOW

*(Want to relive more HU memories? **Watch these past recaps**.)*



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SONG OF THE WEEK

You're My Best Friend
arr. Jay Dougherty

Super-pop goodness from Queen! This platinum-seller has plenty of rhythmic interest, a great all-ages message, and loads of audience appeal. Offered in all voicings, with learning tracks.

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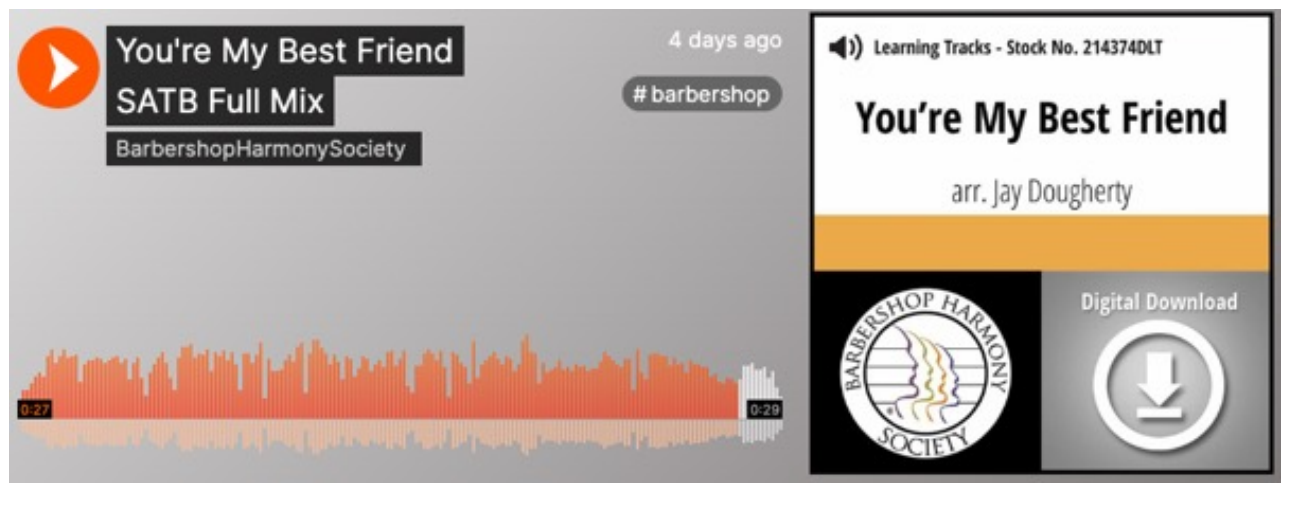

FEATURED PERFORMANCE

FIRST LOOK FREEBIE: 2008 QUARTET SEMIFINALS

Metropolis • It's Magic
2008 International Quartet Contest • Nashville

This archival treat comes from **First Look**, the BHS YouTube subscription channel. For $7.99/month, First Look continues to premiere fantastic archival material from the Society's vaults, with hours of great new releases at least one month before general public release.

Subscribe to watch Part One of the Quartet semifinals, including:

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