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BARBERSHOP NEWS

THIS SATURDAY!

Share the joy on World Singing Day



Singing belongs to everyone! Why not share it in your community this weekend as part of [World Singing Day](#)?

Which song will you sing together? Three starting thoughts:

- You may already be familiar with a little ditty encouraging people to "Keep The Whole World Singing."
- The official [WSD Song of the Year](#), "All of Us" is offered on the web site with learning tracks.
- The [official theme song](#), "Till the Whole World Sings" is offered in multiple versions their web site, including Kevin Keller's barbershop voicings
 - [Women's Barbershop - SSAA](#)
 - [Men's Barbershop - TTBB](#)
 - [Mixed Barbershop - SATB](#)

Whatever you sing, send a video or link to marketing@barbershop.org, and we may feature your group!

PASADENA

2026 MIDWINTER CONVENTION



JANUARY 13–18, 2026

Pasadena has everything you love about conventions!

With a great lineup of [shows](#), contests, and easy air travel from everywhere, you're sure to have a great midwinter break!

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FROM CEO ROBERT RUND

A joy worth sharing

Over the past several weeks, I've had the joy of traveling to conventions across North America—meeting members, hearing incredible singing, and sharing stories that remind me why our Society is so special. At every event, I've made it a point to ask one simple question: "How did you get started in barbershop?"



The answers vary. Some were invited by a friend to a chapter meeting or show. Others refer to being embraced by our evolution to Everyone in Harmony. Still others credit The Buffalo Bills, Vocal Spectrum, or Signature, or another International Champion quartet that they serendipitously encountered. Some saw a YouTube video, and after laughing at Lunch Break or Newfangled Four, listened more closely and really heard barbershop. More recently, many were introduced through youth programs or community outreach programs such as "Ready, Set, Sing."

What unites them all is the same spark: someone cared enough to share barbershop harmony with them. That same spirit of sharing is something we can all embrace. Imagine the impact if each of us introduced just one new person to the Barbershop Harmony Society each year...and that person joined. We could literally double our membership! More importantly, we would be doubling the joy, harmony, and connection that make our art form thrive. Is this attainable? Absolutely, and it starts with you! If even half of us are successful, our ranks would grow by 50%, far greater than anything we have achieved since the early days of the Society.

This past weekend, I had the privilege of witnessing that spirit embodied in two remarkable people, Jim and Barbara Moore, who were inducted into the Southeastern Harmony District Hall of Fame. For many years, they have produced youth programs that have introduced hundreds of young people to barbershop singing and fellowship. Their passion for sharing our music is a model for us all.

Let's follow their lead and keep spreading harmony—one voice at a time.

In Harmony,

Robert

DEADLINE NOVEMBER 1

Nominations now accepted for BHS/NAfME award

The BHS/NAfME [Music Educator of the Year award](#) recognizes excellence in teaching, performing, and the lifelong impact music teachers make on young singers. [Meet past honorees.](#)

- Recipient must be a music educator and member in good standing of NAfME
- Recipient must be a member in good standing of the Barbershop Harmony Society
- Recipient must demonstrate the highest values of professionalism, commitment, cooperation, and inspiration in instilling the virtues of lifelong singing, teamwork, and joy in the creation of vocal harmony.

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HOLIDAY SHOPPING: TOO SOON? NAH.

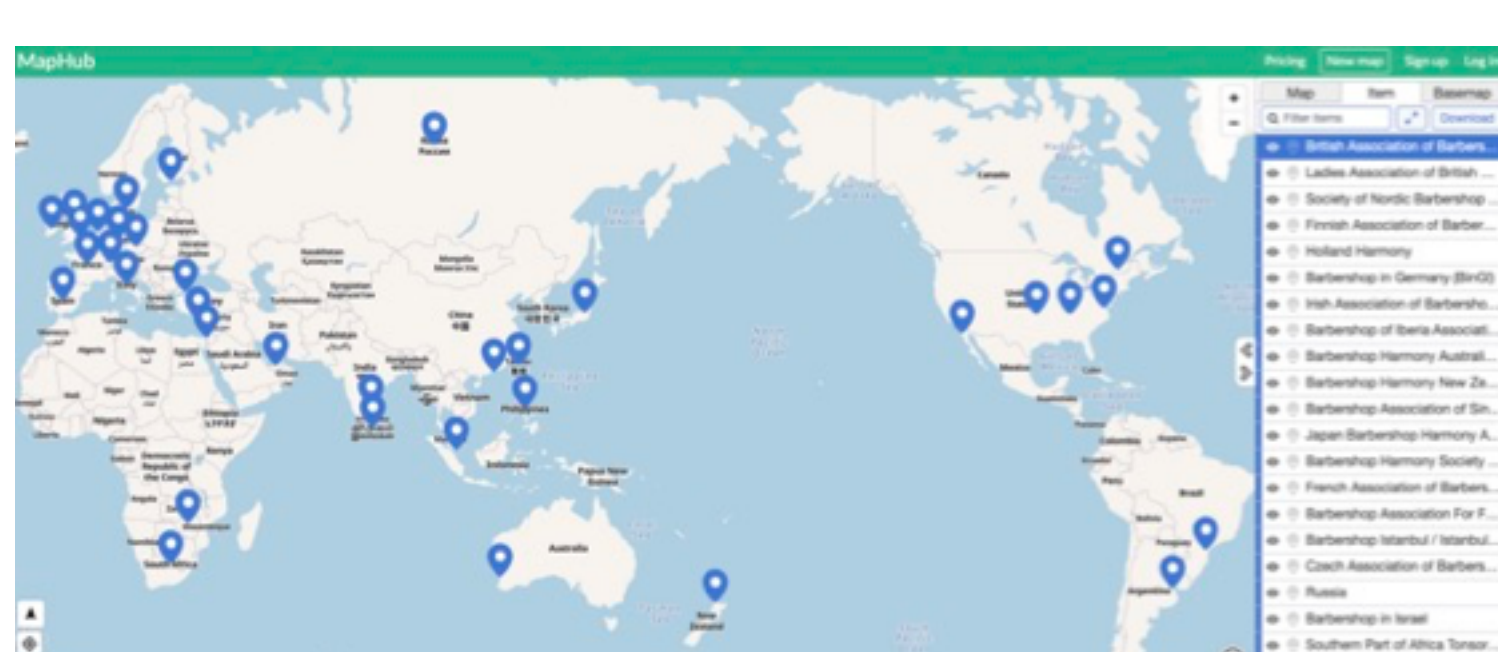
Rewind some classic hits with this new barbershop mug

Resist the Boomer impulse to lecture young'uns on what a cassette tape is, and focus instead on this classic rack of barbershop favorites, now memorialized on a [coffee mug](#). Dolby be darned, you can practically hear the hiss ... or is that just steam from the 11.5 ounces of steaming java?

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How big is the barbershop world? BIG.

Maybe you're familiar with some of the BIG names on the global barbershop scene; those [fantastic new quartet champs](#) from Sweden, those dazzling [chorus medallists](#) from New Zealand. Maybe lesser known, though are the growing associations in the Iberian Peninsula, Singapore, or Mexico. Explore a [clickable map of barbershop](#) around the world, and know that at any given moment, someone somewhere is probably awake and singing the "Cry" tag with three friends. (h/t for the map to globe-trotting Steve Scott.)



SONG OF THE WEEK

I Think About You Lots

arr. Eric Ruthenberg

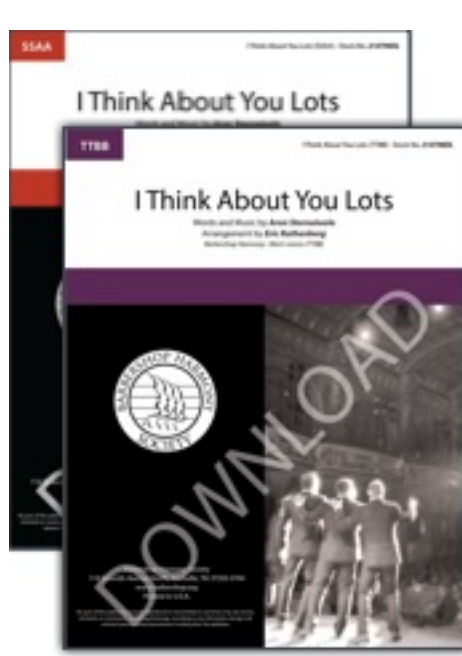
Take a [leisurely listen](#) to this new contemporary jazz-pop! Released under the stage name aron!, this song perfectly encapsulates a "vintage pop" style, blending the timeless romance of the Great American Songbook with a fresh, youthful sensibility.

Swing gently through this fun, flirtatious number, enjoying the playful guitar feel of the neutral syllables, and that whistling solo!

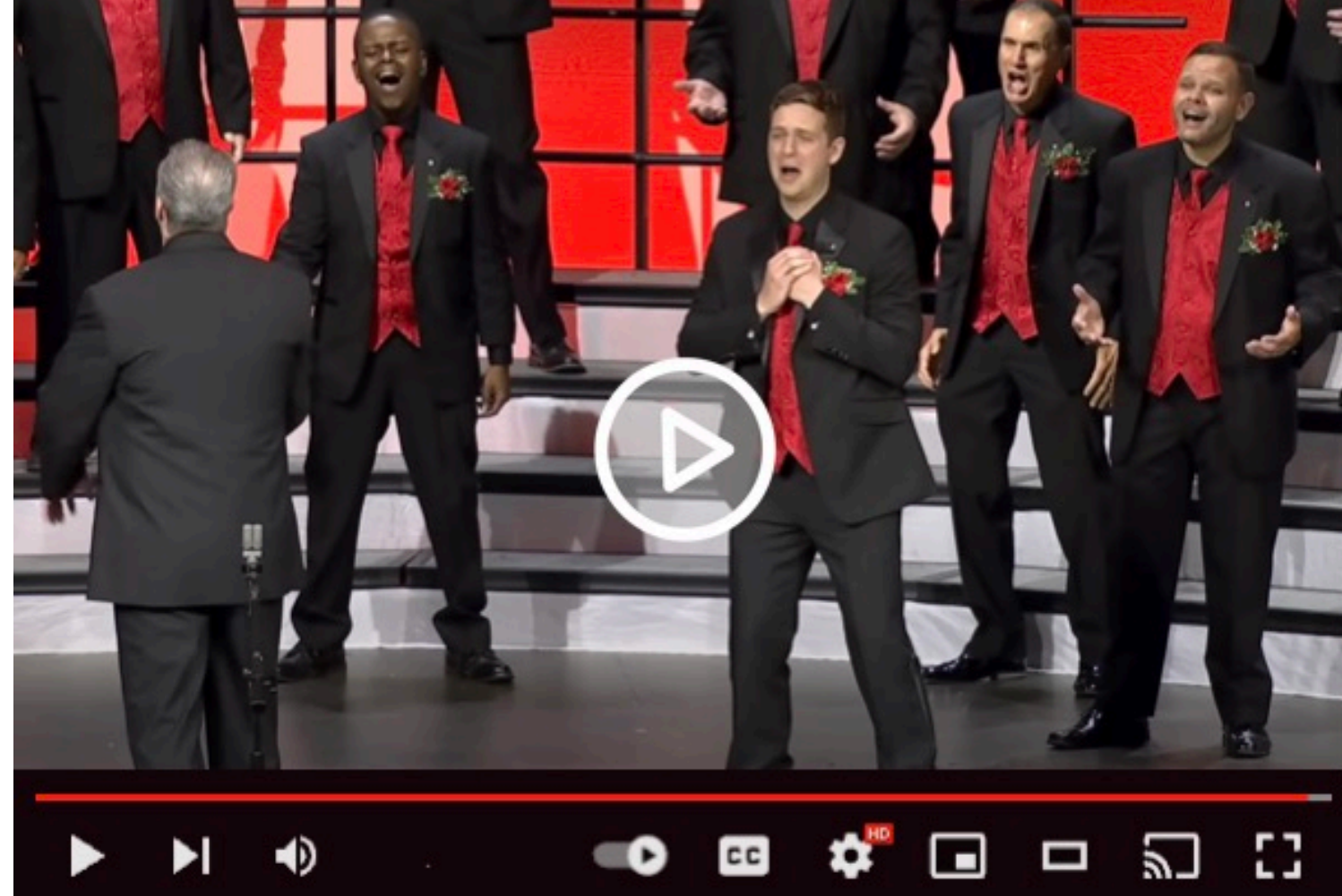
And really, listen to the [whole album playlist](#) — it's packed with songs aching to be barbershopped!

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