



# ¡Cantaré! Chicago

*An exciting new educational outreach program  
for Chicago's schools*

**WHAT:** ¡Cantaré! Chicago places Mexican composers in Chicagoland schools to serve as composers-in-residence. The composers work hand-in-hand with teachers and their students, writing new choral works specifically for each group. The program ends with a free community concert featuring all school groups and Chicago a cappella.

**WHO:** The program can serve elementary music classes or high school choirs. Other classes at the school are encouraged to integrate the residencies into their curriculum as well.

**WHY:** ¡Cantaré! Chicago engages the community in the discovery, celebration and creation of music from Mexican traditions of the past and present. The program not only encourages singing in schools, but also celebrates cultural pride and develops increased awareness of Mexico's heritage.



Composer Rodrigo Cadet at the Horizon Math & Science Academy-McKinley Park

**CHICAGO A CAPPELLA:** Founded in 1993, Chicago a cappella furthers the art and appreciation of ensemble singing. With an ensemble of the area's finest professional singers, we present an annual concert series, perform on tour and in special engagements, create CDs and broadcasts, and produce educational programs. Chicago a cappella highly values diverse programming, offering little-known and underrepresented music to the community from many ethnic, religious, and cultural traditions. We embrace our position as advocates for these diverse traditions and strive to create programming that has a positive impact on our community.

### **PARTICIPATE IN "¡CANTARÉ! CHICAGO" in 2017-18**

Mexican composer **Novelli Jurado** will be in residence at Chicago schools:

- October 16-20, 2017
- March 12-23, 2018
- April 26-May 4, 2018
- Group rehearsal: Thursday, **May 3**, 2018 (10am-12pm)- Benito Juarez Community Academy
- Final concert: Friday, **May 4**, 2018 (7:00 PM) at Benito Juarez Community Academy

Participating teachers commit to facilitating the residency in their classrooms and working on the music between visits; ensuring participation by students at the final rehearsal and concert, facilitating transportation for students and parents to the concert; attending an evening orientation session. Participating schools pay a \$1000 participation fee.

**For more information about participating,  
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