

Dr. Dana Ihm, Director of Choral Activities
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Dr. Dana Ihm received the Doctor of Philosophy in Choral Music Education degree from the University of South Carolina, having studied conducting with Dr. Larry Wyatt. Her Master of Music in Choral Conducting Performance and Bachelor of Choral Music Education were from Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, Kansas.

Her academic appointments include Ozark Christian College, Joplin, MO (Voice, Piano, Theory Instructor); Brodhead Public Schools, Brodhead, Wisconsin (Choral Director grades 5-12); Dallas Christian College (Professor of Voice and Choral Music, Department Chair); Colorado State University-Pueblo (Director of Choral Activities, 2003- present). Dr. Ihm currently teaches Aural Skills, Basic and Advanced Conducting, and directs three choirs at CSU-Pueblo, Concert Choir, Chamber Choir and Jazz Choir.

Dr. Ihm is an active member of the American Choral Directors Association and is currently serving as the Community Choir Repertoire and Resources Chair for the Colorado ACDA. She has served as Youth and Student Activities Repertoire and Standards Chair and the College and University Repertoire and Standards Chair for the Colorado ACDA. She is currently serving on the Southwest ACDA Planning Committee for the 2018 SWACDA Conference as the Reading Session Chair. She has auditioned for and participated in the Carnegie Hall Professional Choral Workshop in 2000 and 2002, singing under the direction of James Conlan and Andre Previn. She has been actively involved in directing numerous church and community choirs throughout her career. She has also adjudicated numerous choral and vocal competitions and festivals in Texas, Oklahoma, Wyoming, and Colorado including Colorado Large Group Choral Festivals, and Colorado Solo and Ensemble Competitions.

Dr. Ihm has guest conducted internationally in Varna, Bulgaria; Vienna, Austria; Calgary, Canada; and Bacau, Romania. Her choirs have been invited to perform at the Colorado Music Educators State Conference in 2007, 2011, and 2017 and the CSU-Pueblo Chamber Choir has performed annually at the Colorado ACDA Collegiate Choral Festival since November 2007. Dr. Ihm has led choir tours extensively throughout the United States as well as Europe. The CSU-Pueblo Concert and Chamber Choirs have toured to Germany, Austria, the Czech Republic, France, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Spain, Portugal, Italy, England and Wales.