



Choir of High Hopes Hobart

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Come and sing with Hobart's Choir of High Hopes!

Hobart's Choir of High Hopes is delighted to be part of the You+Me=Community Festival being held at the Huonville PCYC, Sunday, 4th March.

Now in its eleventh year, the Choir offers inclusion, companionship and comfort to people who are not faring so well in life. Homelessness, unemployment, drug and alcohol issues, mental and physical disabilities, chronic illness, social isolation and injustice shape the lives of many of its members. The Choir is open to anyone who walks through the door: no audition, no cost, no judgement.

The Choir was formed for those who have not enjoyed the happiest times but its success is due to the diversity of its membership, including and welcoming those who can take on the role of a "helpers," singing alongside, being mentors, and providing guidance and assistance.

For the You+Me=Community Festival the Choir will present a free workshop, "The Choir of High Hopes Experience." In a fun and uplifting experience participants will rehearse three songs that will then be performed for a live audience at the Festival. Whether you are an experienced singer, or someone who wants to have a go but has not known where to start, you can share the infectious joy that comes from working with the Choir of High Hopes. Come along and be inspired!

To register for the workshop please email choirofhighhopes@gmail.com. Registrations close Saturday, 3rd March.

The You+Me=Community festival is a great community event for everybody. There is music, food, dance and activities to do in the You+Me Challenge. The activities are designed by Aardvark Adventures and include people of all abilities. Come and have a swing in a wheel chair rigged in a crane, blow some giant bubbles, make a hoola hoop or do the Aardvark Challenge. Community groups and disability service providers work together to make this event a great success. More information about the festival is available on the website: www.hdn.org.au or go to the Facebook page of the Huon Disability Network."

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