



Illinois District Music & Performance Report Spring 2026

- Harmony College Midwest (HCM) 2026 is currently take place on Saturday, March 21st 2026 at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Bloomington, IL
 - Featured Quartet is 2025 International Silver Medalists, Gimme Four
 - Head Clinician will be Will Downey
 - Melody Hine had to drop out due to an unforeseen BHS conflict.
 - Additional faculty includes Peter Cunningham, Scott Kitzmiller, Dan Krackhardt, Jake McKie, Mike Lietke, and Tim Beutel.
 - Cost-wise we will be more in-line with the 2024 HCM numbers, as there was a significant donation from an anonymous donor during 2025.
- Looking forward to HCM 2027
 - We have received feedback about interest in more personalized vocal coaching for individual attendees
 - Looking into establishing a "Vocal Pedagogy" track at HCM 2027 to offer individuals more one-on-one opportunities to work with coaches/clinicians aside from normal classroom settings.
 - Track size may be limited due to time slot availability
 - Looking into establishing a directors track for current or prospective chorus directors to work with established, veteran directing clinicians.
- Please send additional ideas or suggestions to mark.servos@gmail.com. We are EXTREMELY interested to hear your feedback and want to try to accommodate as many needs/wants as possible!

Respectfully submitted,
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