



# GREAT BRITAIN CHORAL FESTIVAL

An Atlantic Bridge

*Cathedral Classics, with English and American Folksongs*

**JULY 1 - 5, 2023 | ELY CATHEDRAL**

Stan Engebretson & Craig Jessop, Artistic Directors



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## An Atlantic Bridge

The Great Britain Choral Festival - An Atlantic Bridge is a celebration of classic cathedral choral music to English and American folksongs. A journey to Britain is a discovery of our own past and this experience will be enhanced by the sharing of music with an appreciative and enthusiastic audience in Ely Cathedral.

The Festival will take place July 1 - 5, 2023, and will feature mixed-voice choirs and individual singers from a variety of backgrounds to sing en masse. Singers will participate in three days of rehearsals culminating in a grand finale performance in the historic Ely Cathedral. Participants will have the opportunity to tour in and around Ely in beautiful and historic cities such as London, Cambridge, Stratford, Edinburgh, and more!

The festival chorus will be under the direction of Stan Engebretson, Artistic Director for the National Philharmonic Chorale and Craig Jessop, Former Director of the Tabernacle Choir & Orchestra at Temple Square.



## Ely Cathedral

Ely Cathedral is a magnificent Romanesque cathedral with origins dating back to AD 673. The Cathedral dominates the surrounding area and is commonly called the “Ship of the Fens” because of its visibility in Ely. The cathedral has been a place of worship since the 7th century. The vast chapel is known for its entrancing ceiling and towers that soar high above the city displaying shimmering colours.