

I nominate Bay Area Youth Singers, a 501c-3 non-profit organization, for a \$1,000 award from Rotary. The youth choir (grades 6 to 12) and the children's chorus (grades 3-6) learn music, poise, self-discipline needed for performances, and they develop healthy singing voices. On a very small budget, this group of kids have won many trophies for their performances and have become known among other youth choirs as one of the best. Each of the two groups has a musically educated, experienced, gifted and talented youth choir director who works with the kids for very little salary. BAYS raises funds and offers scholarship assistance to those talented kids who cannot pay full tuition to be in BAYS.

The BAYS web page is [www.bayareayouthsingers.org](http://www.bayareayouthsingers.org). Phone 832-425-2329. Its email is [bayareayouthsingers@hotmail.com](mailto:bayareayouthsingers@hotmail.com) BAYS sponsors a music camp in the summer, presents at least three or four concerts each year. The concerts are always well attended and are wonderful.

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