

A Word from the Dean of Education, Memorial University of Newfoundland
Dr. Alice Collins (2011 Pro tempore)

In 2011, Memorial University of Newfoundland was again privileged to host the *Phenomenon of Singing* International Symposium that featured renowned choral and vocal music experts from the world over. The seventh event, this Symposium remains an integral part of Festival 500 *Sharing the Voices* and a testament to the continued dedication to excellence.

This year's event was a tribute to singing and song. The calibre of Symposium participants represents another success in a long line of biennial academic forums that foster vital scholarship and are a great source of pride for the Faculty of Education.

The diversity of topics presented on at the Symposium indicates the richness of choral study. We are pleased to co-sponsorship this event with Festival 500 and we truly hope you enjoy this collection of papers from that event and that they impart in you the phenomenon of singing!

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