

## Region 9 Faculty Resume

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**Education:** Bachelor of Music Degree in Education

**Positions held:** Certified Music Arranger, Master Director, Music Arrangements Coordinator for Sweet Adelines International, Associate Director, Assistant Director, Section Leader, Faculty for Region 9 and Region 17, former Certified Music Judge, former International Faculty, Education Steering Committee in Region 17.

**Personal:** Jean, a Certified Music Arranger, has been a member of Sweet Adelines International since April of 1974. She grew up in a barbershop home and arranged her first song when she was in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. When she was in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, she started singing lead with three 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls. This quartet sang together and performed on area shows for six years.

Jean has been a musical leader in Sweet Adelines for 42 years. She directed the Chippewa Valley Chorus and the Cuyahoga Valley Chorus in Ohio. After serving as the Master Director of the Greater Cleveland Chorus for the past 26 years, she retired from directing in 2020. The Greater Cleveland Chorus earned 9 Regional Championships under her direction and placed third in the 2018 AA Harmony Classic.

Jean continues to be active in Sweet Adelines at the regional level. She is a member of the Educational Steering Committee in Region 17 and on the Regional Faculty for both Regions 17 and 9 where she teaches classes in Music Theory, Arranging, and Finale. She continues to coach choruses and quartets in both regions. She has taught several Virtual Classes on Zoom to students throughout the United States Australia, and New Zealand.

At the International level, Jean is the former Music Arrangements Coordinator for Sweet Adelines International. She is also very active in the new Arranger Certification Program (ACP). She was selected, along with Certified Music Arranger Judy Vidal, to lead the first ACP Intermediate Cohort Group. Together they mentored 5 arrangers for 18 months. They are currently mentoring their 2<sup>nd</sup> Cohort Group of 5 arrangers.

Jean, along with her two daughters, is a member of the Sound of Sunshine Chorus where she is currently the Associate Director. She is also a Lifetime Member of the Greater Cleveland Chorus in Region 17.

**Areas of Expertise:** Music Arranging, Music Theory, Finale Music Software, PVI's, Chorus Coaching, Quartet Coaching. Please see skills matrix for more details or contact her to inquire about specific needs you may have.

**General area where you live and how far you are willing to travel:** Jean lives in Clermont, right near Walt Disney World. She is available to work with choruses and quartets during the week and on weekends. She is willing to drive or fly anywhere in the region. Zoom is also an option.

**How far in advance do you typically book?** Anywhere from 2 weeks to 4 months in advance.

**Are you willing to give PVI's at Regional meetings, chorus/quartet coaching, area schools, etc.?** Yes