

Some References for Ethnic and Multi-Cultural Choral Repertoire

[Village Harmony](#)

If you are looking for a great resource for authentic choral repertoire, check out Northern Harmony. This organization has inexpensive resources for authentic performance. Much of their sheet music material is available on CD/DVD. The music often includes supporting materials such as authentic performances and choreography instruction as it is applicable to the piece. Northern Harmony has music and resources in Shape Note traditions, traditional South African choral music, and Music from the Republic of Georgia among others. Much of their repertoire is available on CD and you are licensed to make photocopies as needed.

[Earthsongs](#)

This is a fabulous place to delve into World Music. You can search by:

- Composer/Arranger
- Title or first line
- Author of text
- Voicing
- Region of the world
- Specific country
- Language
- Series
- Year of publication

Additionally, there are many opportunities to listen to and view excerpts of the printed music. If going through the website seems like a daunting task, Earthsongs has created cds titled, "One World Many Voices" volumes 1-8. This will provide a great sampling of pieces from all over the world. (Note: Earthsongs usually has a booth at ACDA Conferences where they offer the cds and corresponding musical packets for a discounted rate. I highly recommend reviewing their booth in your search for new music.)

[Santa Barbara Music Publishers](#)

This website has links to sheet music and audio clips/sound recordings of most of their choral music. You can search by composer, voicing, level, classification, and a few other search terms.

[World Music Press](#)

This website allows you to search for music from a specific place or origin. There are often recordings of most pieces to aid you in your search. Additionally, the website provides you with some information about each of the selections and the composer.

These are only some of the opportunities to search for Ethnic and Multi-Cultural music. Please feel free to email me with any questions, or if you have additional resources you would like to see listed, at jennifersengin@gmail.com.