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Due to his reputation in the international choral community, Dr. Peterson is in high demand as a lecturer, choral clinician and adjudicator for local, regional, and international choral festivals, symposiums and workshops, has conducted numerous honor choirs and all-state choirs, and served as a guest conductor for choral concerts and festivals around the world. He also serves as the Artistic Director of Choirs for Perform International and Perform America, casting the mission and vision for performance tours in the United States and throughout the world.

Dr. Peterson is currently a member of the ACDA National Standing Committee on Education and Communication and has served in professional leadership roles in California including High School Standards and Repertoire Chair for the California Choral Directors Association and as Bay Area Choral Representative for the California Music Educators Association. Additional professional posts include Men's Chorus Repertoire and Standards Chair for the Southern Division American Choral Directors Association, the Southern Division Conference Planning Committee, the Men's Chorus Representative for Minnesota Choral Directors Association, the executive committee for the International Choral Festival and on the chair for the Legacy Directors Chorus at the most recent National Convention of the American Choral Directors Association.

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