

Facts 2019-20 Season

Young Ambassadors

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- Young Ambassadors are a group of singers, dancers and musicians who have gained a reputation for entertaining excellence through energetic and heart-warming musical theater entertainment.
- Young Ambassadors perform *Souviners*, a collection of performances from the past 50 years of Young Ambassadors existence, and a celebration of their worldwide tours.
- The world-traveled Young Ambassadors perform extensively both nationally and internationally. In the past decade, the group has toured over 13 states and 15 countries, including Argentina, Australia, Brasil, China and Korea. Their performances cross cultural bounds and are always enthusiastically received.
- In May 2020, Young Ambassadors will tour various cities in Japan.
- In May 2019, the group toured China as a part of the BYU China Spectacular that included BYU groups: International Folk Dance Ensemble, Vocal Point, Living Legends, the Cougarettes, the Dunk Team and Chamber Orchestra.
- Young Ambassadors visited cities in Nevada and California in February 2019.
- The Young Ambassadors toured Brazil in 2017, where the group provided shows and devotionals to large audiences.
- In 2016, Young Ambassadors toured southern Africa for the third time in the group's history. They performed in Bloemfontein, Durban, Johannesburg and Pretoria in South Africa, as well as Bulawayo and Harare in Zimbabwe. In addition to performances, the group participated in several outreach and service activities.
- In 2014, Young Ambassadors toured Cambodia, Thailand and Vietnam.
- In 2015, Young Ambassadors toured California, Nevada and Nauvoo, IL.
- Community outreaches and services are integral parts of the Young Ambassador tours. During their 2012 tour to South Africa, the group visited several orphanages, including the Sparrows Nest AIDS village.
- The Young Ambassadors traveled to the Nordic countries in May of 2009, visiting Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden. They performed almost 30 times in more than a dozen venues. In February of 2009, the group also toured New Mexico and Texas.
- In 2002 the Young Ambassadors performed during the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, and took their production to Oregon, Washington, British Columbia and Alberta, Canada, receiving outstanding reviews.

- The Young Ambassadors first performed internationally at Expo '70 in Osaka, Japan, and have since traveled throughout the United States and to 58 foreign countries. They were the first BYU performance group to entertain in Egypt, India, Morocco, Nepal, Sri Lanka, the People's Republic of China, Tunisia and Vietnam.
- Randall Boothe has served as the group's director since 1977. Previously, Boothe was a director with Walt Disney Productions, Hawaii's Polynesian Cultural Center, Showcase Hawaii and the Polynesian Dance Ensemble.
- Young Ambassadors are produced by the School of Music, in cooperation with the Department of Dance, at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. BYU is one of the nation's largest private universities with an enrollment of more than 30,000 full-time students from throughout the United States as well as 100 foreign countries.

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