

DATE: July 15, 2017
 TO: Potential Community Chorus Members
 FROM: Jennifer Maxfield, Events & Services Coordinator
 RE: Community Chorus Season 2017–18

Greetings singers! We trust you have been enjoying a pace that is less hectic, allowing for rest, relaxation and recreation of body, mind, and spirit. We look forward to having you in Community Chorus as we anticipate the fall. Most of the pertinent information for the season is here.

Once again this season you can register online, using a Google form or by completing and emailing me a fillable PDF; both forms are posted at music.concordia.ab.ca > Choral Ensembles. Each form lists payment options including credit card, cheque, or money order or cash (in-person delivery only!). Your registration will be complete once payment is received. Or simply download, fill out, and mail or fax a registration form with payment the old-fashioned way!

LEADERSHIP, SEASON, & REPERTOIRE

Dr. Joy Berg will be conducting this season. The plans for this season include:

September 11 — Monday 7:00 pm
 First rehearsal in Tegler Student Centre

October 9 — Thanksgiving **NO REHEARSAL**

**October 29 — Sacred Music Festival
 “Remember Well the Future”**

With Concert Choir, Bella Voce, and Concordia
 Symphony Orchestra (Dr. Danielle Lisboa,
 conductor)

Sun. — Sacred Music Festival
1:30 pm call time
3:00 pm concert at Winspear

Repertoire: “Ein Feste Burg” (J.S. Bach Cantata
 BWV 80), “There Shall a Star” (Mendelssohn), a
 new piece by David Mitchell, “Call of Wisdom”
 (Will Todd)

October 30 — special Reformation service **NO
 REHEARSAL**

November 13 — Reading Week **NO
 REHEARSAL**

December 10 — Christmas concert in Tegler
“The Wondrous Story” With BV & Jubilosio

Sun. 1:45 pm call time
3:00 pm concert at Tegler

Repertoire: Includes “Gloria” (Vivaldi), “The
 Wondrous Story” (Henry Boon), Gabriel’s
 Message (Arr. Gail Lund), “Do Not Be Afraid”
 (Henry Boon), “Blessed is the Lord
 (Benedictus)” (Dan Forrest), as well as others

**December 12, Monday, 7pm — Christmas at the
 Legislature** (tentative) with Bella Voce

January 15 — Monday 7 pm
 First post-Christmas rehearsal, in Tegler

February 19 — Family Day **NO REHEARSAL**

April 2 — Easter break **NO REHEARSAL**

April 21 — Spring concert at Glory Lutheran,
 22577 Highway 16, Sherwood Park
“Walk in the Wind”

Sun. 4:30 pm call time at Glory Lutheran
6 pm concert at Glory

Repertoire: “Walk in the Wind” (Reg and Lynne
 Dickson), “Do Not Be Afraid” (Henry Boon),
 “Blessed is the Lord (Benedictus)” (Dan Forrest),
 “Gloria” (Vivaldi), Captain Noah and His Floating
 Zoo

REHEARSALS

Monday rehearsals for first semester begin September 11 and run from 7:00 to 9:15 pm in Tegler Centre on Concordia's campus (enter south off 112th Avenue at 73rd Street, just west of Wayne Gretzky Drive). Chorus members are asked to be regular in their attendance. Permission to miss **more than two rehearsals** and still sing at any concert should be obtained from the director, Dr. Joy Berg.

PARKING

Free parking is available in the neighborhood surrounding Concordia. You may also use the parking lot between the athletic field and Tegler Centre, but you **must pay** for parking during all rehearsals and concerts, a flat rate of \$3/evening and on weekends. If this cost represents a financial hardship for you, please contact Jennifer **before pre-registering**; a limited number of subsidies are available to offset this cost, for those who pre-register only.

MUSIC

Music will be issued at the first rehearsal once registration fees have been paid (one of the reasons PRE-REGISTRATION is helpful). All music and parking pass must be returned at the end of the season (or registration period). **You will be charged the replacement cost plus \$25 administrative fee if music is not returned within a month of the final concert.**

DRESS

Dress for performances is all black—on bottom and on top. Please be sure you have secured this outfit for our first performance, October 29.

FOLDERS

You are responsible for your own plain black music folder for performance. The "World's Best" choral folders are available at the Concordia bookstore at a cost of about \$30. The bookstore is located in the Hole Academic Centre. Hours are 8:30–4:30, M–F, but it is **usually open until 6:30 pm on the evening of our first rehearsal.**

FEES

Registration for the year is **\$200**, and if you **pre-register (by Sept. 1) the cost is \$175.**

If you choose to register for only one semester at a time, the fee is \$110 for each semester. Concordia faculty, staff, and students may register at a discounted rate of \$110 for the year.

REGISTRATION

The most efficient way to register is online with our Google form, using a credit card or other form of payment as indicated, linked at **music.concordia.ab.ca > Choral Ensembles**. Or, from the same page you may download, complete, and return a fillable registration PDF, following instructions for a range of payment options. Your registration is complete once we receive payment.

For the early-bird discount, PRE-REGISTER and pay by Sept. 1. Return PDFs (Jennifer Maxfield, Concordia, 7128 Ada Blvd., Edmonton, AB T5B 4E4) with a post-dated cheque (Sept. 11, 2017), payable to Concordia University of Edmonton. You can also FAX (780 474 1933) your reg. form & credit card info. Or email the form (jennifer.maxfield@concordia.ab.ca), and stop by during business hours to pay in person. Or, phone in credit card details (July 15–Sept. 1, 780 479 9313, 9:30–11:30 am). Did I mention that pre-registration not only facilitates music assignment and efficient use of rehearsal time, but also saves you \$. . . ?

IN-PERSON registration will take place in Tegler Centre on **Monday, September 11, beginning at 6:15 p.m.** Bring along your form. If you have pre-registered, simply check for your music number assignment.

REFUNDS AND WITHDRAWAL POLICY

1. Concordia University of Edmonton reserves the right to cancel any course due to insufficient enrollment. In this case, a full refund will be issued.
2. Withdrawal **before rehearsals begin** is eligible for a refund of the registration fee less a \$25 service charge.
3. Withdrawal **within 24 hours of the first rehearsal** is eligible for a full credit or 50% refund (after \$25 service charge). All refunds are processed through the School of Music Events & Services Coordinator, Jennifer Maxfield (780 479 9304).
4. N.S.F. cheques will be subject to a \$20 service charge.