

Mercersburg Area Community Chorus
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January, 2023

Dear Chorus Members (and potential members!),

Folks, I hope you are well, and I look forward to seeing you soon. I had a great time at our December concerts; hope you did, too! I hope you can sing with the Chorus this spring. Here is the information:

Dates:

- Concerts – Saturday, April 29, and Sunday, April 30. Both will be at 4:00 p.m.
- Rehearsals – every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. beginning **February 14 (note the date change)** at the James Buchanan Middle School. Rehearsals will continue through the last week of April.

Program

- Durufle: *Requiem*
- Music from opera:
 - Donizetti (*Lucia di Lammermoor*): Chorus of the Wedding Guests – tenor and chorus – (pg. 107)
 - Bizet: (*Carmen*): Votre Toast (Toreador Song) – baritone
 - Verdi: (*La Traviata*): Brindisi – tenor, soprano, chorus – (pg. 245)
 - Delibes: (*Lakme*): Duo des fleurs (Flower Duet) – soprano & mezzo
 - Verdi: (*Rigoletto*): Act 3 Quartet – soprano, mezzo, tenor, bass
 - Borodin: (*Prince Igor*): Polovtsian Dances – chorus – (pg. 71)

Soloists

- Soprano – Meghan Kasanders – new to us, lives in Chicago - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_O1MH0Hh4Rw
- Mezzo – Dawn Pierce – professor of voice at Ithaca College in New York – has sung with us several times.
- Tenor – Gran Wilson – Washington, DC, -- has has sung with us a number of times.
- Baritone – Tad Ennen – great voice, has sung with us several times, lives in Iowa. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=88IL_H2TFCQ

Other information

- Please bring the attached registration form to rehearsal. The registration form also gives you the opportunity to become a Chorus patron.
- If you need music for the Durufle *Requiem* – we have ordered 50 copies – many of you should already have it. The cost is \$10, payable at registration.
- The Chorus will provide the *Opera Choruses* book. **If you still have a MACC copy from 2020, please bring it with you!**
- Concert attire - **Women:** The Chorus will provide a 3/4-sleeve blue top that members must purchase for \$31. The women will wear the blue top this spring. This will be worn with black pants or skirt and black shoes. **Men:** The chorus will supply a black lightweight jacket that members must purchase or rent. This will be worn with black trousers, black socks and shoes, white shirt, and a chorus-supplied black bow tie. The jacket options are: (1) Purchase the jacket for \$65; (2) Rent the jacket from the chorus for \$25.
- Please encourage other singers, including high school students, to join us.

- Attendance expectations – All singers are asked to be at all rehearsals. If an emergency, illness, or unavoidable conflict occurs, please notify your section leader.
- Rehearsal files for the Requiem are available on our website www.mercersburgchorus.org.

Finally – I really hope you can sing; we had a great group in December, and hopefully we can build on that. Check out our website (www.mercersburgchorus.org) and spread the word!

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Mercersburg Area Community Chorus – April 2023 Registration

Contact information the same _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email address _____

Phone _____

Soprano ___ Alto ___ Tenor ___ Bass ___

Please note that it is our policy to not refund money.

Durufle *Requiem* _____ at \$10.00 = \$ _____

Woman’s Top _____ at \$31.00 = \$ _____

Man’s Jacket (\$65; rent at \$25) _____ jacket = \$ _____

2022-23 Patron Donation = \$ _____

Levels of giving have been set at: Trustee (\$5,000), Benefactor (\$1,000 - \$4,999),
Leader (\$500 - \$999), Sponsor (\$250 - \$499), Patron (\$125 - \$249),
and Friend (0 - \$124)

TOTAL = \$ _____

Make checks payable to Mercersburg Area Community Chorus.

Patron Donation name as you wish it to appear on the program:
