

HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL APPRENTICE PROGRAM 2025 INFORMATION

ABOUT OUR CHORUS:

Since 1965, Musica Sacra of Cincinnati has been dedicated to the performance of masterworks of sacred choral literature, with live orchestra accompaniment, free of charge for our community. Our 50-member community chorus boasts members from across the greater Cincinnati area who share a love of singing choral masterworks in the spaces for which they were originally composed.

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM:

As part of Musica Sacra's ongoing commitment to music education outreach, we are pleased to offer a **High School Choral Apprentice Program**. This program expands upon our existing Education & Outreach Programs, which include our Conducting Apprenticeship program with University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, and collaborations with other local youth & student ensembles.

Alongside members of our chorus, students will rehearse and perform with us under the baton of our Music Director, Dr. L. Brett Scott, Professor of Ensembles and Choral Conducting at CCM. Students will also receive individualized vocal coaching and/or small group instruction from designated, background-checked mentors at each rehearsal. [No proselytizing will occur.]

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE:

Students in their Junior or Senior year of high school, or age 16 or older if not attending a traditional high school program, are welcome to apply.

COST TO PARTICIPATE: * FREE *

Online practice aids and sheet music (loaned) will be provided at no charge to program participants. Students will be expected to reimburse us if sheet music is lost or badly damaged.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Application materials are available on our website: www.Musica-Sacra.org/HighSchool.
- All students must submit an application & commitment form, which includes a section for parent/guardian consent to participate in the program.
- For students who are currently participating in music programs at school, their music teacher must submit a nomination form.
- For students educated at home, or who are not currently taking chorus at their school, a recommendation letter from a music lessons teacher, other choir director, or another non-family member who can attest to the student's musicianship is required.

PHOTOGRAPHY, RECORDING & PUBLICITY:

As a performing arts organization, our concerts are professionally recorded for archival purposes, and still photography may take place for fundraising and promotional purposes. We are <u>unable</u> to accommodate requests to avoid photographing or recording individual students; however, we will make every effort to refrain from sharing close-up images of individual students upon request. **We are not responsible** for the actions of others that are beyond our reasonable control.

ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS:

- **Students are expected to commit** to attending all scheduled weekly rehearsals, as well as the dress rehearsal with orchestra, and participate in the concert itself.
- Students should arrive promptly at the stated call times for rehearsals & the concert.
- If transportation is a concern, please let us know.
- Should you need to report an absence for illness or other <u>unforeseen</u> circumstances, please send a TEXT with the student's name & absence reason to: 513-240-6951. Absences for work or other school functions will <u>not</u> be excused. Incurring more than one absence may result in removal from the program, at the sole discretion of the Music Director.

2025 PROGRAM SCHEDULE & LOCATION INFORMATION:

| APPLICATION MATERIALS DUE | FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2025 |
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| Repertoire | Gabriel Fauré Requiem Performed in Latin. Practice Aids are available on our website: www.Musica-Sacra.org/Members |
| Weekly Rehearsal Location | Episcopal Church of the Redeemer 2944 Erie Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45208 |
| Weekly Rehearsals | 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31 Mondays @ 6:30 – 9:30pm with two 15-minute breaks |
| Concert Location | Episcopal Church of the Redeemer 2944 Erie Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45208 |
| Dress Rehearsal w/ Orchestra | Sat. 4/5 – Call time 8:30am No special attire is required. |
| Concert Day & Time | Sun. 4/6 – Call time 1:30pm Concert begins at 3:00pm. Concert attire required for participants. Visit www.Musica-Sacra.org/Members for current Concert Attire standards. |

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Sheet music will be provided (loaned).
- Practice Aids are available on our website at www.Musica-Sacra.org/Members
- A light dinner will be served prior to each weekly rehearsal.
- The use of cell phones is strictly prohibited during rehearsals & concerts. Students may use a tablet instead of paper sheet music, with permission from the Music Director.
- Metro Bus stops are located nearby, at the corner of Paxton Ave & Erie Ave.
- Musica Sacra's concerts are always free of charge, and no ticket is required. You are most
 welcome to invite family & friends to attend.
- Musica Sacra is a 501 (c) (3) organization. Should you wish to make a donation in support of this program, your contribution may be tax deductible.

MUSICA SACRA CONTACT INFORMATION:

- Chorus Manager: Charlotte Schaengold, Email: charlchsch@gmail.com, Phone: 513-240-6951
- **Music Director:** L. Brett Scott, Email: lbrettscott@gmail.com
- High School Program Website: www.Musica-Sacra.org/HighSchool