

# Jubilate Singers 2019-2020

## Choir Information and Expectations

### Rehearsals

Tuesday nights in the gymnasium, St. Leonard's Anglican Church, 25 Wanless Ave (NE of Yonge/Lawrence).

The Jubilate Chorus meets from 6:45 to 8:30. Please come early enough to be seated and ready to sing at 6:45. Singers in the Chorus may wish to stay after 8:30 and sit in on the Chamber Choir rehearsal. Members of the Chorus who wish to perform with the Chamber Choir may sing an audition to demonstrate their ability to learn the music.

The Chamber Choir meets from 7:30 to 9:45. Chamber Choir singers should arrive on time for a 10-minute warm-up. Then between 7:40 and 8:30 the Chamber Choir will join the Chorus to continue practising their repertoire with them. From 8:45 to 9:45 the Chamber Choir practices its own repertoire. Singers in the Chamber Choir may also wish to sit in on the Chorus rehearsal starting at 6:45.

There will be a short break in the rehearsal starting at 8:30 to encourage sociability across the whole choir.

If you are unable to be at a rehearsal or concert, you should notify Kathryn Humphrey, our membership coordinator, at [kvjhumphrey@yahoo.ca](mailto:kvjhumphrey@yahoo.ca) or 416-785-0722. Please do not notify Isabel. If you miss more than three rehearsals in a term, you may forfeit the opportunity to sing in the concert. Members who miss dress rehearsal without prior permission of the conductor will not be permitted to sing in the concert.

### Sectional Rehearsals

Sectional rehearsals are held once a term. Each section will determine the exact date and time of its rehearsal. Attendance at these practices is expected.

### Preparedness

Singers are expected to come to rehearsals prepared, which means regular, thorough practice at home. Your practising is supported by the choir's *Weekly* emailing, which provides you with information, scores, and music links and MP3s for the works we sing. Scores, links and recordings are also posted on our website members' page.

### Website and Facebook Page

Our website address is: [jubilatesingers.ca](http://jubilatesingers.ca)

Our Facebook address is: [facebook.com/JubilateSingersChoir](https://facebook.com/JubilateSingersChoir)

### Community Concerts

In addition to our three main concerts, we perform two or three community concerts each season. Attendance at the community concerts is expected.

## **Choir Retreats**

This year for the first time we will hold two one-day retreats, in October and in January. All members are strongly urged to arrange their work and family obligations so that they can attend these retreats.

## **Choir Dues**

Membership dues for the Jubilate Singers are \$225.00 per year. These are tax receiptable. Please pay Carol Chin, our treasurer, by cheque or Interac e-Transfer as close to the start of the season as possible so that we can manage expenses. Because we want to encourage people to participate in the choir, we maintain a flexible dues policy for students and for those who might have difficulty in paying the full amount. Please speak to Carol Chin about this policy.

## **Music**

Our librarians, Bronwen Hodgins and Judith Hayes, hand out music scores at the beginning of each term. They should be treated gently, *marked with pencil only* and returned, erased, as soon as possible after each concert. Prompt return of all scores borrowed from other organizations is essential. Our choir may face serious consequences if we fail to do so.

## **Concert Dress**

Our regular concert attire for men is black shirts and pants with solid-colour ties. For women, long skirts or pants with black tops and solid-colour scarves. For casual concert attire men wear black pants and open-neck black shirts; women wear long black skirts or pants with solid-colour tops.

## **Non-Scents**

Because of the increase in allergic reactions, we want to maintain a scent-free environment. Please do not wear perfume or cologne to rehearsals or performances.

## **Board of Directors:**

Andrea D'Sylva, Pat Keating, Co-Presidents  
Tom Moss Gamblin, Vice-President  
Carol Chin, Treasurer  
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## **Section leads:**

Sopranos: Catherine Maguire	Tenors: Andrew Hellebust
Altos: Judith Hayes	Basses: Norm Martin