

BAYS TCDA Select Choir April-July 2021

This is a very special opportunity for the Bay Area Youth Singers. It requires commitment and effort from singers and the support of families.

Members

- Singers from the school year BAYS choir program are enrolled in the TCDA Select Choir
- Additional singers may join the TCDA Select Choir for the four month rehearsal and performance period, April-July, 2021

Rehearsal

- Singers are given a packet of music for this season; they should keep the music in a binder and have it available at all rehearsals.
- Rehearsal tracks for each song are available on the BAYS website; singers should rehearse with these tracks regularly.
- Parents of singers in the Children's Choir are requested to help their singers navigate the printed music and make the rehearsal tracks easily accessible for their young singers.
- Rehearsals will be in a zoom format until late May. All singers should log in a few minutes in advance of start time. They should be in a quiet space without interruptions for rehearsals.
- Rehearsals will move to "in person" format in late May. Health and safety protocols following the guidelines of the CDC will be in place. All singers will wear masks.
- Singers may have a zoom rehearsal if they miss the "in person" rehearsal. ? May have or may join?
- Regular Rehearsals are Monday evenings beginning at 6 p.m. for Children's Choir and 6:40 for Concert Choir. The schedule may be adjusted somewhat when "In person" rehearsals begin.
- Additional rehearsals may be added in June.

Practice

- All singers are expected to fully participate in rehearsals and to practice at home using the rehearsal tracks and assigned music (minimum of three times a week)
- Parents/Singers should notify Ms. Carol at barwickcarol@hotmail.com or 832-425-2329 in advance of any missed rehearsals.

Performance

- All singers are expected to participate in the concert performances of this choir, including the convention concert in San Antonio on **July 22, 2021**.
- Should the convention move to a virtual format, the performance will be video taped. All singers are expected to participate.
- Singers will wear the prescribed performance attire for all performances.
- Parents are responsible for transporting their children to San Antonio for the convention performance. Arrangements have been made with La Quinta Convention Center to hold rooms that parents may reserve. More information to come.

Communication

- Parents and singers are expected to regularly check their email and the BAYS website for information. This is the primary means of communication other than rehearsal.
- Emails and a bi-weekly newsletter are the primary means of communication between the BAYS staff and parents. Please make sure these are delivered to "in box" and read for important information. Sometimes these communications contain notes and assignments for the singers. Parents should print these and pass on to their singers.
- BAYS website: bayareayouthsingers.org – Members Section has rehearsal tracks and some printed music.