

Branford Chorale

Welcome to our Winter 2018 season Thank you for joining us!

A warm welcome back to our Director Nick Filippides and Accompanist Bill Speed!

Board of Directors

The Branford Chorale was established in 1976 and is a 501c non-profit organization governed by the Board of Directors.

President: Ellen Lampros 203-241-3724 branfordchorale1976@yahoo.com

Secretary: Krista Depukat

Alto Section Leader: Jeannine Corbin 203-668-5691 Soprano Section Leader: Katie Coates 203-214-1946 Tenor/ Bass Section Leader: Jay Savastano 203-988-0015

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Treasurer: Maggie Bruno

Membership Chair: Judy Weted Librarian: Andrew Woods

Member at Large: Don Crockford-Peters

Rehearsal Schedule Winter 2018

Rehearsals– Mondays, 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm All rehearsals will be held at United Methodist 811 East Main Street, Branford unless notified otherwise.

<u>August</u>

August 20 August 27

September

September 3 Labor Day (NO REHEARSAL) September 10

September 17 September 24

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October

October 1

October 8

October 15

October 17 Wednesday, Sectional

October 22

October 29

November

November 5

November 7 Wednesday, Sectional

November 12 November 19 November 26

November 28 Wednesday, Sectional

December

December 3

Dress rehearsal/ Concert

(More details to come on a Performance Information Sheet)

December 7 Friday, 6-10pm

December 8 Saturday, 5:00pm call time, 7:30pm concert

General Chorale Membership Information

Dues

There is a \$60.00 per semester membership fee. Please make checks payable to "The Branford Chorale" and give them to our Treasurer, Maggie Bruno or your Section Leader. Should you have a hardship please see Ellen Lampros or Maggie Bruno.

Attendance

Please try to be at all rehearsals, and notify your Section Leader about a planned absence beforehand so the group can rehearse accordingly. Talk to your section leader if you missed a rehearsal. Rehearsals begin promptly at 7:30pm. Please try to make every effort to be on time and ready to sing at our start time.

If you are ill or not able to attend a rehearsal, please contact your Section Leader. If you know in advance that you will have to miss more than three rehearsals, please speak with the Music Director in advance.

Your Section Leader takes attendance every week. Should you miss three rehearsals the Music Director may ask you to sing privately for him. This is done so that he can ascertain your level of preparedness of the music.

Rehearsals and Practice

If you are a new member, please feel free to meet with the Director so he can ensure proper placement.

You are welcome to bring your own recording device and record the rehearsals.

If it is at all possible, please refrain from using perfumes, colognes, scented lotions or hairsprays as it may impact a fellow singer's respiratory function.

If you are having trouble with any part of the music, ask your Section Leader or the Director and they will be happy to assist you.

Pencils will be available, please make use of them and take notes in your music as the Director gives them.

Singers may be re-positioned at rehearsals and during dress rehearsal in order to promote proper blend, accommodate special needs and generally enhance the quality of the performance. Your understanding is sincerely appreciated.

A practice CD and/ or access to Dropbox recordings of your part will be available. Please take time to listen to the CD and practice.

Practice does make a huge difference in our sound. Please spend time with your music between rehearsals. It helps us to be a stronger chorale group!

Additional Information

- **HAVE FUN!** See a Board member with any questions or concerns.
- Bring a Friend We love new members!
- Ads One of our major fundraisers is to sell ads for our program. If you would please try to sell at least one ad it will make a difference. (Details to follow)
- <u>Inclement Weather</u> If rehearsal is canceled we send out a mass email to the group. Also, you can check our website at <u>www.branfordchorale.com</u> under more and Chorale Members Info. If you require a phone call, please advise your Section Leader at the beginning of the season.
- Concert guidelines and details Will be distributed closer to the concert date.