

St. Louis Suburban Music Educators Association

7/8 Honor and Treble Choir Information

TO: SLSMEA 7/8 Choral Directors
FROM: Brandon Williams, V.P. 7/8 Honors Choirs
DATE: August 25, 2009
RE: 7/8 All-Suburban Honors Choir Festivals

Greetings! I hope your school year is moving along well as it's time to prepare for our annual 7/8 All-Suburban Honors Choir Festival. I encourage all directors to participate in this event for the benefit of our students and choral music in the St. Louis area. Below you will find basic information for this event. I will keep everyone up-to-date via email and the SLSMEA website as more information becomes available.

Registration for the 7/8 Honor and Treble Choir Information is online. Go to the SLSMEA website which is:

www2.csd.org/slsmea

Find the Middle School Honor Choir page and click on the "Online Registration Link"

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR GROUP AUDITION/PARTICIPATION FEE

Band – Orchestra – Choir

All students auditioning or participating in a middle school honor group which includes the band, jazz band, orchestra, and choir will pay a fee of \$5.00 per student. If no audition is required, they will pay a \$5.00 participation fee per student.

The audition/participation fee is \$5.00 per student and you must pay for all students that have been registered. If you register 10 students and only 5 actually come to the audition, you will still owe \$50.00 for all that have registered.

On January 9, directors/school representatives will need to check-in and pay the entire audition/participation fee for their school based on the number of students who registered. **ONE CHECK SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO SLSMEA** and brought with you. Schools that do not pay will cause their students to be **NOT ACCEPTED** to the middle school honor choir. Please, no purchase orders.

I'm very excited to announce that the clinicians for our ensembles will be **Brian Winnie** (mixed ensemble) from Hopewell Valley High School in Pennington, NJ, and **Rosetta Sellers-Varela** (treble ensemble) of the Oak Park and River Forest Children's Chorus in Chicago, IL.

Date: Saturday, January 9, 2010

Times:

Treble		Mixed	
8:30am-9:00am	Registration	8:30am-9:00am	Registration
4:00pm	Concert	5:00pm	Concert

Location: Missouri Baptist University, Dale Williams Fine Arts Center

Selection: For the mixed ensemble each director may send up to 10 students (2 sopranos, 2 altos, 3 tenors and 3 baritones). For the treble ensemble each director may send up to 9 students (3 soprano I, 3 soprano II, 3 alto). **Extra may only be taken on an as needed basis.**

Preparation: Please take the time to prepare your students for this concert. Setting our students up for success will make this a positive experience.

Repertoire: Music is available through MR Music (314-291-4686) at a 10% discount.

Mixed Literature (Brian Winnie)

Gaudeamus Hodie	Earlene Rentz	Carl Fischer	SATB
The Salley Gardens' Red, Red Rose	arr. Joseph Martin	Shawnee Press	SAB
The Ballad of Sweeney Todd	Sondheim/arr. Beck	Alfred	SAB
I Believe (from Spring Awakening)	arr. Mark Brymer	Hal Leonard	SAB
There Will Be A New Day	Greg Gilpin	Carl Fischer	SATB

Treble Literature (Rosetta Sellers-Varela)

Et Exultavit	Vivaldi/arr. Leck	Hal Leonard	Unison Treble
Ma Bella Bimba	arr. Donald Moore	Alfred	2-Part
Climbin' Up the Mountain, Children!	arr. Rollo Dilworth	Hal Leonard	3-Part Treble
Lily and the Rose	Bob Chilcott	Oxford	2-Part
Ahay Tuburan	R. Dwyer/M. Ellis	Hal Leonard	3-Part Treble

Clinician Requests: Specific information will be sent at a later time.

Practice CD: Practice recordings will be posted on the following website.

<http://www.ladue.k12.mo.us/lms/homework/exploratory/williams/SLSMEAPracticeRecordings.html>

Registration: Please register on the SLSMEA website by Friday, November 20.

Performance Attire:

<u>Ladies</u>	<u>Gentlemen</u>
Black dress pants (NO SKIRTS)	White dress shirt (button-up)
Black top (covers the shoulders)	Tie of your choice
Black dress shoes (preferably flats)	Black dress pants
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Lunch: Students and teachers should be prepared to bring their own lunch.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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