

The Sarasota Choral Society

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A Letter From The President October 2022

~Sarasota Choral Society Members and Friends~



'Once you choose hope, anything's possible'

--Christopher Reeve

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***Our New Season Begins....(scroll down for each section below)***

- *Welcome Back to All!*
- *New Rehearsal Schedule*
- *Newly Updated Webpage*
- *Ticket Purchase Procedure*
- *New Membership Procedure **before** the first rehearsal!*
- *New E-Blast Look*
- *Message from the Artistic Director*
- ***Important! RSVP***

*FINALLY!..... We bring you tidings of great peace and joy.....We're back!*

*Not just a rehearsal, not a Holiday Sing-a-long, but a full-fledged Sarasota Choral Society 2022 Fall and Winter Season of rehearsals and performance. Nothing better stop us now!!*

*The pent-up excitement is starting to show itself...and I'm sure it will come through in our music-making!*

*So, dust off those "Messiah" scores, and bring them with you. Wear your masks—or not—your choice. Be sure to register by mail and pay your dues before the first rehearsal, and send your RSVP so we can know what to expect!*

*We are so excited and looking forward to finally seeing and hearing from each and every one of you as soon as possible! And to be finally singing again!*

♪Alana Hufford♪, *President*  
Sarasota Choral Society

- We will be meeting on Monday evenings this year for rehearsals, to enable singers who are in other church choirs, etc. to still participate with Sarasota Choral Society also. Rehearsal dates are November 7, 14, 21, 28 at 7:00 p.m. Dress rehearsal (with instrumentalists) will be at the last rehearsal on November 28<sup>th</sup> The performance is December 3<sup>rd</sup>
- We have a **glorious** newly updated webpage, thanks to our Webmaster, Mari-Ann Kucharek. [www.sarasotachoralsociety.org](http://www.sarasotachoralsociety.org) It's loaded with lots of information, with more to come shortly! Please check it out...you'll definitely be impressed!
- TICKETS FOR THE PERFORMANCE ARE ON SALE NOW THROUGH EVENTBRITE, USING THE WEBSITE "BUY TICKETS" BUTTON ON THE HOMEPAGE.
- A very important change this year is a substantial effort to do our best to have every member registered prior to the first rehearsal! IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU GO TO THE WEBSITE, CLICK ON THE MEMBERSHIP TAB AT THE TOP, THEN FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS AS EITHER A NEW MEMBER OR A PREVIOUS MEMBER WHO IS SUBMITTING A RENEWAL, WHEN MAKING YOUR \$25 DUES PAYMENT.
- The Sarasota Choral Society has been re-vamping many things, including their e-blast system to better reach all of our members, former members, and prospective members. In the future, please look for them to arrive coming with the name of an officer (such as myself) as Sender from a gmail email address. Also, we will try to have the SARASOTA CHORAL SOCIETY or SCS in the Title so you recognize it—and don't skip over it. (Some of your email systems may also have it listed as part of a Subscriber/Newsletter List. If you are receiving this now, it's 99% sure you are in our database and will receive all future E-blasts).
- Please read an update from our Artistic Director here:

Dear Sarasota Choral Society Friends,

My hope is that this email finds you well and safe from hurricane Ian.

Music is a powerful way to heal and to gather. We are so looking forward to meeting again as a choral organization following nearly three years of plans made and unmade due to the pandemic. Every note we sing will be that much sweeter!

Please plan on joining us for our first rehearsal on **MONDAY**, November 7th, at 7 pm in the sanctuary at Church of the Palms. We hope you will invite friends and introduce them to the amazing power of singing such a timeless piece.

The dress rehearsal with orchestra will take place on Monday, November 28. Our concert will be on December 3rd at 4 pm.

I sincerely look forward to seeing you all soon.

Hallelujah!

Genevieve Beauchamp, Artistic Director

**WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

**PLEASE COPY THE CONFIRMATION BELOW AND SEND IT NOW.**

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**PLEASE RSVP, asap to Deb Bernard, SCS Secretary, at: [SCSSecrtry@gmail.com](mailto:SCSSecrtry@gmail.com)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I plan on participating in rehearsals & Messiah this year on Dec. 3

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I will not be able to participate in Messiah this year.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, please keep me on the email list.

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