

BRANDYWINERS CHORALE INFORMATION

Thank you for your interest in the Brandywiners Chorale. We welcome new members!

Here's an overview of the commitment involved in being a Chorale member. We do require the ability to read music, and prospective members will be auditioned. For your audition, please bring in a musical selection with piano accompaniment. You will also be asked to sight-read a small piece of music.

Chorale members generally are nonprofessional singers who love to make music. (Our director and accompanist are professional musicians.) We rehearse every Tuesday evening from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Occasionally there are extra sectional rehearsals beginning at 7 p.m. We rehearse at Aldersgate United Methodist Church on Concord Pike in North Wilmington.

In the Fall, we prepare for a series of 6-8 concerts that generally begin around the first week in December for a 2-3 week period. These may include performances on Saturdays as well as weeknights. We perform at retirement communities, churches, and theatres such as the Smyrna Opera House. We also give a special free concert for Friends and Families of the Brandywiners.

Our program has great musical variety and always includes a medley of songs from the summer show. Please see the Brandywiners website (www.brandywiners.org) for the upcoming production.

We take a break over the holidays in December and resume rehearsals the first week of the new year. For the Spring, we prepare a new program and again include the show medley. Our series of 6-8 spring concerts generally run between the last week in April and the second week in May, before rehearsals begin for the summer show. Many Chorale members also perform in the summer show.

There is a small yearly participation fee for belonging to the Chorale. This covers the cost of new music and supplies.

If you are interested in joining the Chorale, please contact our Director, Darrin Peters, and he will be in touch regarding an audition. Darrin's email is brandywinerschorale@gmail.com and his phone number is (302) 897-5751.

Thanks again for your interest!