



Member Announcements April 6, 2010

FROM THE DIRECTOR

It's all in the preparation, Dear Friends...If we approach our Encore performance with the same musical approach in which we developed the Renaissance Christmas concert and the Rutter concert, we will continue our ascent to better choral sound, more thrilling performances, and happy audiences, happy singers! This means:

Lighter music doesn't mean easier music: sing the Gershwin with good sounds, crisp diction, and rehearse with quality.

A totally new folder must not demolish our skills: arrive on time, warm-up carefully, bring your discipline and focus throughout the rehearsal.

Singing is always demanding: even when reading, check your body position, your breathing, your vocal approach.



Opera is not a license to oversing: take care of your voice and our sound.

WE HAVE TAKEN A FLYING START...

A great chunk of hard work has been accomplished in only two weeks. Thanks to all, and a special thanks to the featured performers who have been willing to prepare in additional rehearsals to maintain Tuesday evenings for VOCl.

Your future is great, and each week is a step toward that bright future.

WELCOME, WELCOME

It's wonderful to start this new season with eight fine additional voices. Welcome aboard, enjoy the ride. You've joined a superb organization, which we truly hope you'll find exciting and fun and musically satisfying.

ATTENTION, EVERYONE!

Please be reminded that Tuesday's rehearsal, April 6, 2010, will be held at the regular time, but at St. Michael's Church, corner of Fulton and Whipple Park in the lower lot, and look for the large glass wall, through which you can see the Chapel.

FEATURED PERFORMERS...

will meet in the VOCl office for rehearsal on Monday, April 5th. Calls:

7:00 p.m.: Regina Coeli ensemble; Alan; Jessica; Judy; Kevin

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7:40 p.m.: *Embraceable You ensemble; Porgy and Bess soli; Erin; Ashley*

8:20 p.m.: *Swing Set ensemble*

YOU'RE LOOKIN' GORGEOUS...

Or at least we will be, when the new formalwear is in place for Encore.

Ladies, make sure you've taken care of scheduled fittings, and, if you've not made the \$40.00 downpayment, please do so as soon as feasible.

Gentlemen, make sure you've made arrangements through Ohio Tux for all required parts, and be prepared to pay for any parts ordered upon delivery.

COLUMBUS TOUR UPDATE

Loren needs to send the rooming list to the hotel promptly. Please make all final adjustments with Allison. Email Loren if there are any concerns or questions.

Final payments will be collected by Allison on April 20th rather than the original date of April 13th: Allison has to go to Hawaii for work! (Yeah, right!!)

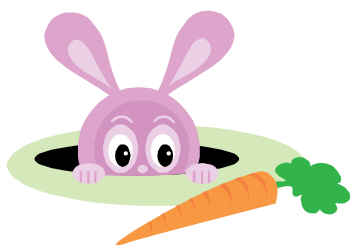
ENCORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sectionals are again scheduled for everyone on Monday, April 12th, at St. Michael's – men meet from 7:00-8:15 p.m., women from 7:45- 9:00 p.m.

There's still time to join the committee. Chuck's doing a great job getting the group excited and the creative juices flowing. The committee will meet at St. Michael's prior to rehearsal this week: April 6th, 6:00 p.m.

Work on memorizing "Strike Up the Band," "Clap Yo Hands": these will be staged for everyone. Performers willing/wishing to be featured in choreography will need to memorize "Fascinatin' Rhythm."

And, if everyone can be very familiar with all the Gershwin section, it will greatly help with audience communication!



Look! Here comes Peter Cottontail! Does that mean it's done snowing?? Please?!

Please sell Encore tickets! Friends and family can also order online at www.voicesofcanton.org/tickets or by phone at 330-455-1000.