DATE: August 13, 2014

TO: Potential Community Chorus Members

FROM: Jennifer Maxfield, Events & Services Coordinator

RE: Community Chorus Season 2014–15

Greetings singers! We trust you have been enjoying a pace that is less hectic, allowing for rest, relaxation and recreation of body, mind, and spirit. We look forward to having you in Community Chorus as we anticipate the fall. Most of the pertinent information for the season is here. Again this season, you can **register online** with credit card (secure) at music.concordia.ab.ca > Ensembles > Ensemble Registration (the easiest way!). Or, download the registration form and complete and return with payment **by mail**; or **email** or **fax** the form **& phone** in (780 479 9201) your credit card information.

# LEADERSHIP, SEASON, & REPERTOIRE

Dr. Joy Berg will be conducting again this season, and accompanist Rev. Lorne Manweiler will help us again with notes, rhythm, and fullness of sound. The plans for this season include:

September 8 — Monday evening 7:00 pm First rehearsal in Tegler Student Centre

October 13 — Thanksgiving — NO REHEARSAL

October 25/26 — Sacred Music Festival with Bella Voce, Jubiloso, guest church choirs

Sat. 7–8:30 pm at Ascension Lutheran, 8405 83 St. Choral workshop with Craig Courtney (see below)

Sunday — Sacred Music Festival, "Great Is Our God!"
3:00 pm at the Winspear: conductor/composer Craig Courtney (Beckenhorst Press);
1:30 pm dress rehearsal
Repertoire: Courtney pieces (Ten Thousand Harps & Voices, Canticle of Fellowship, Great Is Our God, Behold the Lamb of God),
Mozart Lacrimosa (from Requiem), hymns

November 10 Fall Reading Week NO REHEARSAL

**December 8** — **Christmas concert** Trinity Lutheran Church "Lux Aeterna: Light Everlasting," with Bella Voce

Monday 6:00 pm call time
7:00 pm concert at Trinity Lutheran Church

Repertoire: Mozart movements (Domine Jesu, Lux Aeterna from Requiem), Hayes movement (Gloria in excelsis Deo, from Gloria), Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain (Jennings), Have You Not Known (Scott), Mary Did You Know (Lowry), Walk in the Light (Thomas), carol concertato arrangements

December 15 — Christmas at the Leg (tentative)
Monday 7 pm Concert at Alberta Legislature

January 12 — Monday 7 pm First January rehearsal, in Tegler

February 16 Family Day NO REHEARSAL

February 2 "Laudis! Gloria!"

Mon. 7:30 pm at Winspear

with Concert Choir, Bella Voce,

Symphony Orchestra

Requiem (Mozart), Gloria (Mark Hayes)

March 19-23 Lincoln Centre tour with Chorus (concert Sun. Mar. 22); if interested, contact Donna Bonk

bonkd@ae.ca for info, reg., & payment

April 6 Easter break **NO REHEARSAL** 

April 19 "The Earth Adorned" Sun. 3 pm at Tegler

with guest guitarist? (TBA)

Repertoire: Movements from Mozart and Hayes, Courtney pieces, The Earth Adorned (Summer Psalm), Look at the World (Rutter), Joy Is Like the Rain (arr. Roff), Now Is the Month of Sneezing (Walth), River in Judea (arr. Leavitt), Song for the Mira (MacGillvary), The Lord Bless You and Keep You

### **REHEARSALS**

Monday rehearsals for first semester begin September 8 and run from 7:00 to 9:15 pm in Tegler Centre on Concordia's campus (enter south off 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 73<sup>rd</sup> Street, just west of Wayne Gretzky Drive). Chorus members are asked to be regular in their attendance. Permission to miss more than two rehearsals and still sing at any concert should be obtained from the director, Dr. Joy Berg.

#### PARKING

The parking lot between the athletic field and Tegler Centre is available to you (pass required). A reusable pass will be presented to you at the first rehearsal upon completion of your registration; please retain as long as you continue in Chorus, and turn in if you withdraw.

### **MUSIC**

Music will be issued at the first rehearsal once registration fees have been paid (one of the reasons PRE-REGISTRATION is helpful). All music must be returned at the end of the season (or registration period). You will be charged the replacement cost plus \$25 administrative fee if music is not returned within a month of the final concert.

### **DRESS**

Dress for performances is all black—on bottom and on top. Please be sure you have secured this outfit for our first performance, October 26.

### **FOLDERS**

You are responsible for your own plain black music folder for performance. The "World's Best" choral folders are available at the Concordia bookstore at a cost of about \$30. The bookstore is located in the Hole Academic Centre. Hours are 8:30–4:30, M-F, but it is usually open until 6:30 pm on the evening of our first rehearsal.

#### **FEES**

Registration for the year is \$185, and if you pre-register (by Sept. 1) the cost is \$160. If you choose to register for only one semester at a time, the fee is \$100 for each semester. Concordia faculty, staff, and students may register at a discounted rate of \$100 for the year.

## REGISTRATION

Again this year—the most efficient way to register is online, using a credit card, at **music.concordia.ab.ca** > Ensembles > Ensemble Registration.

Alternatively, you can download the registration form PDF from the School of Music's Ensemble Registration page, at **music.concordia.ab.ca** > Ensembles > Ensemble Registration.

You may PRE-REGISTER by printing, completing, and returning the form to me (Jennifer Maxfield, Concordia, 7128 Ada Boulevard, Edmonton, AB T5B 4E4) by **Sept. 1** with a post-dated cheque (Sept. 8, 2014), payable to *Concordia University College of Alberta*. You can also email (jennifer.maxfield@concordia.ab.ca) or FAX (780 474 1933) your registration form; and then phone in (780 479 9201) your credit card information, or stop by the student accounts office in the Hole Academic Centre (just down the hall of the new "main entrance") during business hours (M-F, 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.). Did I mention that pre-registration not only allows for ease in music assignment and expedites efficient use of rehearsal time, but it also saves you some \$ . . .?

IN-PERSON registration will take place in Tegler Centre on **Monday, September 8, beginning at 6:15 p.m.** Bring along your form. If you have pre-registered, simply check for your music number assignment.

### REFUNDS AND WITHDRAWAL POLICY

- 1. Concordia University College of Alberta reserves the right to cancel any course due to insufficient enrolment. In this case, a full refund will be issued.
- 2. Withdrawal **before rehearsals begin** is eligible for a refund of the registration fee <u>less a</u> \$25 service charge.
- 3. Withdrawal within 24 hours of the first rehearsal is eligible for a full credit or 50% refund (after \$25 service charge). All refunds are processed through the School of Music Events & Services Coordinator, Jennifer Maxfield (780 479 9304).
- 4. N.S.F. cheques will be subject to a \$20 service charge.