



Sing, Learn, Grow

Winter 2022 Information Sheet & Calendar

Welcome to the Olds Community Chorus!

Rehearsals

Regular rehearsals are held every **THURSDAY** evening from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Hope Point Church 5402 – 43rd Street, Olds. **Rehearsals begin at 7:00 pm sharp.** We will have a short break in the middle of the rehearsal. To get the best performance, we ask that you attend weekly rehearsals (unless exceptional circumstances intervene). If you expect to miss a number of rehearsals please discuss this with our Chorus Director. Some vocal parts are available on the Olds Community Chorus website under Members Tab, password is *Finally!* (case sensitive). **Attendance at all dress rehearsals and concerts is mandatory (unless the Chorus Director decides otherwise).**

Rehearsal Etiquette

Please arrive in time to be ready to rehearse at 7:00 pm. Bring your music and a soft-lead pencil. If you miss a rehearsal, find out what you missed from someone in your section (music markings, additions, deletions, changes). **Limit conversation to the break.** No chewing gum. **Perfumes or scents are not allowed because of allergic reactions that they cause in some people.**

Fees

The membership fee is **\$75.00** for adult and \$37.00 for students payable within the first three weeks of rehearsals. We accept cash or cheque (payable to “Olds Community Chorus”). The membership fee contributes to covering the expenses of the Chorus which include:

- purchasing music
- printing music, posters, programs, and tickets
- newspaper advertisements
- facility rental for practice and performance,
- piano tuning, etc.

The Winter session is **12 weeks long** meaning you only pay **6.25/rehearsal**.

The Olds Community Chorus is inclusive and realizes the importance of singing to quality of life. We believe cost should not be a barrier. If you or someone you know would like to join the chorus, but would have difficulty paying the fee, please speak to a board member about having fees reduced or waived.

Music Use

Music is loaned to you from our Choral Library and you must return it at the end of each season OR immediately if you leave the Chorus before the current session concludes. Please take care of your music. You are assigned a number that appears on all your music. Use a soft lead pencil to make notations. **Do not use ink pens or highlighters on your music.** You may punch holes in music from our own library. Please repair any tears in your music. You may erase all previous markings when you receive your music. **If music is not returned, you will be invoiced for the cost of the music.**

Olds Community Chorus Society

We became a registered society in June of 2012 which enables us to access funding through grant applications. The current board of directors elected in October 2019: President – Derek Lewis; Vice President – Brian Cutler; Secretary – April Barnhill; Treasurer – TBA ; Librarian – Karole-Anne Christianson, Directors – Ina Sandy, Neil Godwin, Don Church, Ingrid Popesku, and Twyla Penner; and Chorus Director – Terry Wasden

The **Annual General Meeting** will held at the rehearsal Thursday, October 6, 2022. Anyone interested in serving on the board can contact a member of the Nominating Committee, Brian Cutler or Derek Lewis.

Music Rehearsal Schedule THURSDAY evenings 7 pm to 9-ish pm at the Hope Pointe Church

September 8, 15, 22, 29

October 6, 13, 20, 27

November 3, 10, 17, 24

Performance Dates

Thursday, December 8 Olds Concert at Olds Baptist Church.
6:00 Choir warm up and pictures
Show begins at 7:00

Concert dress:

First half:

White shirts/blouses, black on bottom, black shoes. If you want to wear a skirt, please wear black nylons. Guys in ties.

Second half:

Hawaiian shirts (bright colours & flowers)

Thank you for joining us for this Winter Season!