

You are a part from the very start!

Choir One Voice is a registered 501(c)3 charitable organization founded in the Spring of 2019. We are a community choir for young women ages 13 (or rising 8th-graders)- 18 years old.

Mission

One Voice is dedicated to enhancing the musical knowledge and skill of young women who love to sing. Through joy-filled experiences and performing a rich array of choral music we will build community, nurture confidence, and instill a lifelong love of music. One Voice strives to make adventurous repertoire accessible to young singers.

Artistic Team

Carolyn Gross, Artistic Director
Tammy Palazzolo, Assistant Conductor
Melody Van Arragon, Collaborative Pianist

Rehearsals

One Voice First Season: September 3rd, 2019 - May 31, 2020

Rehearsals: Tuesdays 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Location: Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe Woods 48236

Concert Schedule

Performances are scheduled to be held at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe Woods 48236

November 10, 2019 First One Voice Concert with recital opportunities for choir members

December Around Town Performances TBA

March 15, 2020 Concert Performance with Guest Artists

May 31, 2020 Concert with recital and small group opportunities for choir members

Yearly Tuition

- \$400 before May 31st, \$450 after June 1st
- 2 or more siblings, please discount \$50 per registration.
- Make checks payable to: Choir One Voice
- Mail check along with registration form to: 875 Balfour St. Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

Attendance Expectations

You are expected to be at Tuesday rehearsals and Sunday performances. You will be an important part of our group. We understand that when talented, capable young people are involved, things might come up. You will be given four (4) absences. It is expected that choristers will participate for

the entire season and attend all rehearsals (within the allowable number of absences) and all concerts. Concerts are not optional.

Please reserve these absences for illness, unexpected emergencies, and for required school activities/performances. Singers who miss more than the allowed number of absences may be excluded from an upcoming performance, or removed from the organizational roster.

Absences must be communicated by email directly with Mrs. Gross as soon as possible.

If, for any reason, a singer cannot actively participate in a rehearsal, she should still attend and observe attentively to the music being rehearsed. An absence is an absence. Arriving late or leaving early will count as a partial absence. Two partial absences will equal one absence. The only time we will stretch past the allowable number of absences is when there are conflicts with required activities that are part of a grade for school, or family emergencies.

Any additional activity (sports, musicals, dramas, forensics, etc) which is voluntary on your part will require you to say to that supervisor, coach, or director that you have only a certain number of allowable absences from a prior commitment, which is One Voice. If you want to audition for a school musical or play, remember that your prior commitment is to One Voice. This means you will need to be organized with your schedule. Write in One Voice rehearsal times and concert dates. Write in your school concert dates and exam schedule. Look at the calendar before you plan a vacation. Thank you for your commitment to excellence, which can only be accomplished when we are all together!

Newsletter

The One Voice newsletter, published at the beginning of every month, will be the major form of communication with choristers and their families. It is emailed right to your inbox at or near the beginning of every month!

Please ensure that dates of all activities are marked on your calendar.

We will try to inform you in advance of any change or addition to the schedule.

Web Page www.choironevoice.org

If you are looking for updates to the One Voice schedule of events, consult this site on a regular basis throughout the year.

Email

Email is the best way to communicate quickly with everyone. Please provide us with at least ONE email address per family, which is checked regularly by a parent. Sudden changes or important information will be communicated by email. If you change your email address or contact information, please contact us at choironevoicegp@gmail.com.

Find us at Facebook.com/onevoice and on instagram @choironevoicegp Like Us! Follow us! Periodically we'll send out 'e-vites' - electronic invitations to upcoming concerts- which we're hoping our choristers and families will share with friends and family.

Sign up for One Voice Remind: text @4g29k2 to the number 81010

Behavior Expectations

As our year begins, we want to make sure everyone has a clear understanding about the basic expectations that we have of singers in One Voice.

Each singer represents One Voice. We are a professional organization and our students are expected to behave in a courteous manner at all times. We are guests at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, a place of worship and home to many community groups. Thank you for your attention to these details. With compliance to these guidelines, you can help establish the good name and reputation of One Voice.

All singers should plan to arrive five minutes before the scheduled start time of their rehearsal so that they can be ready to sing at the designated hour.

Make sure you have a folder with your music and a pencil at rehearsal.

Singers do not leave the room after rehearsal has begun unless special permission has been granted. An email is necessary for late admittance to or early dismissal from a rehearsal. Please give payments, paperwork, etc. to Mrs. Palazzolo, our assistant director.

Singers may bring a bottle of water to sip drinks when needed. Please make sure it has a lid or cap on it to prevent spills. No food, candy or gum is allowed in the rehearsal room. For optimal focus and energy, please, eat a nutritious snack before rehearsal.

We are going to spend our time together without our cell phones in hand. We know this is a challenge for some of us, but we also believe it is the best way to connect with the people in the room and make the most of our rehearsal times. Cell phones must be turned off. They will be collected, and stored by the door during rehearsals.

One Voice Philosophy

It's not always easy to be a young lady growing up. We want to nurture and grow all of our singers. One Voice will be a safe place for all members. We are asking that every choir member does their best to:

- Show kindness toward each member
- Talk positively about other choir members
- Be patient with ourselves and each other
- Focus on the good work we are going to do together

We are going to make incredible music. And this is going to be special for all of us.

Welcome to One Voice.