

ALABAMA CIVIC CHORALE

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The Group Belongs to YOU!!!!!!

We work together in a common spirit.

And in that spirit of fellowship you will find that we enjoy this wonderful music together!

It is exciting to once again have the wonderful opportunity to meet and greet your friends in the ACC and work to learn and share this wonderful work with the community. The joy we gain from this is shared 100-fold with those who hear. Some of the information below will make the time together run smoothly. I look forward to seeing all of you. Sing in the Spirit!

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Rehearsals

Singing Handel's Messiah the way it was intended is challenging. Each year as we work together to uncover Handel's intent, we prepare choruses new and not so new. In a period of three years we will have the opportunity to sing almost all of the oratorio. MESSIAH is approximately 3 hours in length. Ours is approx. 1 & ½ hours. Handel doesn't change! His work is done and he leaves it up to us to share what he left us. His interpretations are uncovered as we work. Some know the notes well. However, a chorus works to share the interpretation and sound as a chorus and not as individuals. We hope you will join us then for the majority of the rehearsals and we will once again make a difference in the lives of all that hear. Thank you to great composers such as Handel for leaving us this legacy. Remember! Together we are better!

Together We Make It Better!

A. Publicize!

Everyone should take the pledge to invite others to come hear this wonderful work. Inviting others to hear this wonderful work is up to each of us. Make a mental list or jot it down and send individual people or groups your invitations, emails, etc. On 11/24 how great it would be for you to see at least 10 or 12 you invited! Together we are better!

C. Allow others to help!

The ACC is unusual. There is no registration fee. We do have expenses to cover. We are a 501-C 3. Our expenses are paid for through donations from others. Because the performance is free, the community does not mind making donations to defray the costs. Donors names then are listed in the program. There will be brochures at rehearsal for you to hand or mail to others along with a personal note from you that you are singing in the group. It is working together that makes the difference.

D Bring new members!

I had someone tell me not long ago that they would be singing but didn't like to audition. We all know people like that and this group has been around 72 years without needing to audition singers. We love it this way. If you know others you want to invite, please do. Hopefully all will clear schedules and be at the first rehearsal. Doctors, dentists, attorneys, librarians, next door neighbors sing too. ☺

E. Involved means practicing and volunteering!

For 72 years we have been successful because of ALL of You. You make a difference. Get Involved! When you register, check committees where you would like to work whether small jobs, or large. Your choice!! Together we are better.

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The best compliment in the world is for you to care enough about a friend or choir to share this information with them. Please feel free to print out the information and give it away.

TO: The Alabama Civic Chorale and potential ACC members

RE: The 72nd annual presentation of Handel's MESSIAH

PERFORMANCE:

November 24th, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

Riverchase United Methodist Church - Hoover, Alabama

DRESS: Men wear dark (pref. black) suits, white shirts, and black bow ties (large)
Ladies wear long black dress or skirt and black blouse with a strand of pearls.

MUSIC: There is no registration fee. However, you will need to furnish your score. We use the G Schirmer Edition. Those can be purchased from the group for \$15. Please mail a check to PO Box 362210, Hoover, AL 35236. They will be ordered 9/10/19. You may also purchase one at the first rehearsal if you let us know. We use black folders for the performance.

REGISTER: Please register online at www.alabamacivicchorale.com.
Go to "Membership 2019" and click on "Registration".

When you register there will be a place where you can volunteer. Please sign up where you would like to help when you fill out the online registration.

We are excited to once again begin to work together towards this common goal. Others from around the Southeast have written to say this is the best presentation they have ever heard and it is because of the spirit of oneness we share. Please feel free to share this with others that would enjoy singing with our group.

Scholarship: 1 scholarship is given to a college student or entering college student who plans on taking music at the collegiate level. Please see the home page on the website for details.

We look forward to seeing you at the 1st rehearsal on September 29th.
The entire schedule can be found on the website.

Questions: Contact us at accsing2@gmail.com

NOTE: The schedule below can be found at www.alabamacivicchorale.com

2019 Rehearsal Schedule

1:10 pm - Check in, pick up notes, music. A great time for questions and visiting with others.
1:35 - Welcome
1:40 - Rehearsal
10-minute break
3:40 - Final announcements
3:45 - Rehearsal ends

Rehearsal dates

09/29	11/03
10/06	11/10
10/13	11/16 Rehearsal with orchestra from 8:00 to 11:30am
10/20	11/17 Final rehearsal.
10/27	11/24 Performance

PLEASE NOTE: To sing with the ACC in 2019, you will need to be present at a majority of the rehearsals, including the orchestra rehearsal. Perfect attendance is always acceptable 😊 of course.

***Sunday, November 24, 2019**

1:00pm – Warm-up & final rehearsal notes
1:45pm – Break and enjoy refreshments
2:30pm – Line up to process
2:45pm – Return to Sanctuary
3:00pm – **Messiah**
4:45pm approx – End
(Clean-up & breakdown)