

CSUCI University Choir

Course Syllabus

Fall, 2009

Time: Monday evenings from 7-9:50 P.M.

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Please notify the chorus coordinator if you need any assistance during rehearsals or performances due to any disabilities or impairment.

Course Purpose:

CSUCI University Chorus will provide knowledge, comprehension, and application of beginning, intermediate, and advanced skills in choral singing. The student will, through rehearsal and performance, learn choral repertoire, develop musicianship, and performance skills.

Course Description:

This course will focus, each semester, on one or several choral works. These works will be rehearsed on a weekly basis and be performed several times during the semester. The selected choral repertoire will represent historical time periods from the Medieval to present times, Western culture and World Music, as well as a variety of languages and musical styles.

Course Requirement:

All the students from CSUCI must register at the beginning of the semester through the university's regular academic program.

Community singers are required to pay the \$75 course fee at the beginning of the semester, due by September 14th. Community Members will make a payment to Channel Islands Choral Association (CICA).

It is critical for the students and community members to attend weekly rehearsals **on time**. A maximum of three excused absences per semester will be granted to each student with an **advanced** notice to the conductor. **Dress rehearsals and performances are mandatory. All students must fulfill the above requirement in order to participate in performances.**

Required Material:

Music: selected by the conductor and will be distributed to you at the beginning of the semester. Your registration fee will cover the cost of the music; however, if any music is lost or damaged, you will be responsible for any replacement costs. Please refer to the University Choral Library Policy. All music must be returned to the instructor at the end of the semester.

For Community Members: You will be supplied with music from Channel Islands Choral Association. This is the property of CICA and must be returned to CICA at the end of the semester. You may purchase your music from CICA if you wish to keep it. You will be billed the cost of any unreturned music.

Choral Folder:

You are responsible for purchasing your own black choral folder.

Concert Attire:

Men: Black tuxedo/white tux shirt, black bow tie, black cummerbund, black socks, black close-toed shoes (no flip-flops, no sandals) – orthopedic shoes must be black.

Women: Black formal long skirt or dress (must be longer than mid-calf), black DRESS pants (no jeans, no pencil leggings, no casual look), black top – sleeves: long, 3/4, 1/4, sleeveless (no spaghetti straps, no excessive sparkle, no strapless, no low cut), black stockings, black close-toed shoes (no flip-flops, no sandals) – orthopedic shoes must be black.

No perfume on stage or during rehearsals, please.

Rehearsals: Mondays, 7 PM – 9:50 PM At Trinity Presbyterian Church

Regular class rehearsals are from August 24th – November 30th.

Note: There is no rehearsal Sept. 7th, Labor Day.

Additional Rehearsal/Retreat:

There will be an additional rehearsal/retreat on Saturday, October 3rd from 9 AM – 2 PM at TPC. We will rehearse in the morning from 9 AM to Noon. TBD is a guest speaker/teacher to offer a class in musicianship or other related subject to singing. A Pot Luck social gathering in Fellowship Hall will be from Noon – 2 PM.

Dress Rehearsal:

St. Columba's Episcopal Church, 1251 Las Posas Road, Camarillo
Monday, November 30th 7 PM – 10 PM

Before Concert:

At First United Methodist Church, 1338 E. Santa Clara Street, Ventura
Saturday, December 5th 9:30 AM - Noon

Concert #1: First United Methodist Church (Dress Rehearsal is 9:30 AM – Noon)
Saturday, December 5th 2 PM
Call time: 1 PM or 1:30 PM TBD

Concert #2: St. Columba's Episcopal Church, 1251 Las Posas Road, Camarillo
Sunday, December 6th, 3 PM
Call time: 1 PM