



Milwaukee Children's Choir

Building Noteworthy Character

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Jubilate News

Dear Jubilate Singers,

Thank you for your work on Tuesday with Mr. Boyer. You're almost in performance mode! This weekend will be so important to get the small details smoothed out so that you can sound even better. Please take time to look at your music before we meet on Saturday morning. Please remember that our dress rehearsals are closed to audience. This is the overall plan:

9:30am: Meet in the church. We will be getting in performance order, so pay attention!

9:45-10: Autumn Vesper

There will also be a parent meeting from 9:45-10:30 a.m. At least one parent should attend.

10:00-10:30: Ma Navu

10:30-11:00 Rehearse in separate room **We'll rehearse some of the small details of our concert at this time! Bring your brain!**

11:00-11:35: Rehearse on stage

11:35-11:45: Meet and debrief after rehearsal

I'm so excited for a productive day on Saturday. Don't forget to wear your formal uniform!

Tuesday: Bring all of your music on Tuesday. We will be working more on Holiday Pops as the weeks go by.

See you on Saturday!

Mrs. Egger

November 5, 2011- Rehearsal at Hales Corner Lutheran Church, 12300 West Janesville Rd., Hales Corners. Singers should wear their full formal uniforms. A few singers have yet to receive their back-ordered items. If you are one of these singers, please wear any black pants and white shirt. Here are some specifics about the rehearsal:

Milwaukee Ballet's *Nutcracker*

MCC will once again be singing for Milwaukee Ballet's *Nutcracker* performances in December. Hard copies of the sign-up form were handed out at rehearsal last Tuesday and are due by November 5. The paperwork was also sent out in previous emails. Please check your inbox if you need a copy. We hope each singer can commit to 5 *Nutcracker* performances. It's great fun!

Upcoming Rehearsal Schedule:

November

- 5 - (Saturday) Dress Rehearsal, Hales Corners Lutheran, 9a-1p. Jubilate singer call time is 9:30. Dismissal time is 11:45. There will also be a parent meeting from 9:45-10:30 a.m., Continental breakfast concessions available for sale.
- 8 - Regular Rehearsal, Vocal Coaching by appt with Mrs. Egger 6:30-7:00
- 15 - Regular Rehearsal, Vocal Coaching by appt with Mrs. Egger 6:30-7:00. Also MCC's Annual Meeting, Milwaukee Youth Arts Center, 6:30-7:00 PM. All are invited to attend.
- 19 - (Saturday) MCC Autumn Concert "A Stroll Through the Countryside." 1:00 Concert, Singer call time 12:00 p.m., Hales Corners Lutheran Church
- 22 - Regular Rehearsal, Vocal Coaching by appt with Mrs. Egger 6:30-7:00

Don't stress over breakfast on Sat., Nov. 5th. MCC volunteers will have continental breakfast concessions available for sale in the Hales Corners Lutheran Church lobby—coffee, juice, baked goods, fruit and more—Arrive early, eat a nutritious breakfast AND support MCC!

- 29 - Regular Rehearsal (Possible MSO Rehearsal would cause us to cancel regular rehearsal)
30 - (Wednesday) Possible MSO Rehearsal for *Holiday Pops*

Office News

MCC Season Tickets: Mailed to homes the week of November 7th.

Individual November 19th Concert Tickets: Available from rehearsal assistants at all rehearsal sites. Also available during the dress rehearsal.

Do You Know A Child Who Loves to Sing? MCC artistic staff members have decided to open MCC membership for ONE rehearsal the week after Thanksgiving. If you know a child who loves to sing and is interested in joining Milwaukee Children's Choir, please have them phone or email our office at 414-221-7040 or membership@milwaukeechildrenschoir.org. We will invite them to a rehearsal the week of November 28th and, if they are in 4th grade or above, allow them to audition immediately after that rehearsal!

Share your time and talent and create a holiday tree or wreath for an auction to benefit Milwaukee Children's Choir! Each year, MCC hosts a silent auction at its first big concert of the season to help support MCC programming. Well, it's MCC holiday auction time and we are again offering miniature trees and holiday wreaths for silent auction. In this fundraiser, MCC provides a miniature tree/wreath, you supply the imagination, talent and decorations. Then we auction off the decorated trees/wreaths at our November 19th concert, *A Stroll Through the Countryside* and raise money for MCC. This holiday auction has been a great success for MCC in past years, and with your help it can be an even greater success in 2011! Last year our undecorated trees and wreaths went fast, so reserve your tree or wreath now by sending Mary Murphy, Development and Finance Manager, an email. Last year we also had folks donating baskets filled with goodies for auction. If you prefer to donate a holiday gift basket, that is great. Please contact Mary Murphy at mmurphy@milwaukeechildrenschoir.org or 414-221-7040. And be prepared to bid on a tree or wreath at the concert—it's for a great cause!

Rehearsal Site Auction Gift Basket Competition: Join the fun. Here's information on our second annual rehearsal site auction gift basket competition. We have a new tradition at MCC (only 1 year old) where the families at each choir rehearsal site compete to put together the best gift basket to offer for auction at our November concert. Each site's rehearsal assistant has a basket at their check-in table ready to collect a donation from each choir family. Read on for your site's theme!

- **Jubilate ☐ Packers:** Great for Birthdays, Christmas, Valentine's Day, Father's Day! Possible items to include—Items with team logo such as hats, mugs, trading cards, coasters, beer or sports drink, snacks such as nuts, chips, microwave popcorn, sweatshirts, t-shirts, tickets????

MSO Holiday Pops, Enjoy MCC's Concert Ticket Discount! MCC's Jubilate and the Milwaukee Youth Chorale are, once again, joining the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra and the Symphony Chorus in the annual sell-out Holiday Pops concerts this December. Contact Stacy Mills at 414-226-7811 or mills@mso.org to order your Holiday Pops tickets. Mention that you are a friend of Milwaukee Children's Choir and receive a 35% discount. Seats are limited, so call as soon as possible to secure your tickets!

Milwaukee Ballet's *The Nutcracker!* Once again this year, Milwaukee Children's Choir's senior treble and select Cantabile singers have been given the great honor and opportunity to sing with the Milwaukee Ballet in *The Nutcracker*. To order tickets for this holiday favorite, phone the Milwaukee Ballet box office at **414-902-2103** between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. **Tell Tracy or Leslie you are a friend of Milwaukee Children's Choir**, and you'll receive the MCC **20% discount!** They will be happy to place your order using any of the following credit cards: MasterCard, Visa, American Express or Discover. Tickets including tax and the 20% MCC discount range from \$23 - \$60 and will be mailed to the address you provide over the phone. MCC friends may also order tickets online at www.milwaukeeballet.org. **Use the promotional code "MCC"** to receive your discount. However, note that there is a Ticketmaster fee of \$6.75 per ticket and a handling fee of \$4 per order when ordering online.

See you tomorrow at dress rehearsal!