



Notes and Measures

October 31, 2016

Tickets, Tickets, and More Tickets!

With our venue now in place, it's time to start thinking about ticket sales for our December concert! This year, the board and ticket committee has decided to offer two separate ticket specials. Once again, we will be offering a season ticket special to choir members only, in which concert patrons can buy tickets for all of our concerts for the 2016-2017 season up front for a price of \$30 per person. This incredible deal basically breaks down to the price of \$10 per ticket for each concert, and in addition, season ticket holders will also have access to priority seating. This season ticket special for choir members only will be available starting next Monday, November 7th, and will run through the December concerts.

For those individuals who are not in a position to commit to the full season ticket package, the board is offering a second special as well. Beginning on Monday, November 7th, we will also be offering tickets for individual concerts for \$11 each. However, this deal will only be available for two weeks, so make your plans accordingly for purchasing your concert tickets. If you have any questions about this, please see Rita, our ticket chair, or any member of the board.

Going Once, Twice...GCCC Auction is Here! Food Still Needed!

We are now in the home stretch for our 4th Annual Silent and Live auction on Saturday, November 5th. The board had a long, busy, but very successful day of assembling baskets for this year's event. Many thanks to everyone who donated items as we have so many incredible things available for bid. Please keep promoting this event during our final week and get your friends and family out to get some early Christmas shopping done all while supporting GCCC!

One area where we are still lacking in help is with respect to food and snacks for the event. Currently, we do not have many volunteers signed up to provide food, and this is something that we really do need so that our patrons have something to snack on while they shop and look through everything available to purchase. If you are interested in helping out in this way, please see Michelle or any member of the board.

Get with the Program and Place an Ad

Concert programs are a great keepsake for remembering an amazing performance, and GCCC is happy to provide our concert programs to all of our guests and patrons. Like anything associated with putting on a concert, programs do cost money to produce, so we look for helpful individuals and businesses to assist with those costs by placing a program ad. Program ads can be for a local business that wants to show their support for the arts and would like to reach more customers, or it can be a note from someone who wants to congratulate and acknowledge you for all of your hard work in preparing for the performance. Program ad forms will be available tonight at break, so if you know someone who might like to place an ad, please take an ad form, ask them to complete it, and return the form to us as

soon as possible. If you have any questions about program advertising, please see any member of the board.

Ventura County Concert Band Concert Updates and Reminders

Thanks to everyone who signed up to participate in the special patriotic program and joint effort between Gold Coast Concert Chorus and the Ventura County Concert Band on Sunday, November 6th at Ventura High School. Please remember that the dress rehearsal will be on Wednesday, November 2nd in the auditorium at Ventura High. Downbeat for this rehearsal is 8:00 PM sharp, so please make sure you arrive no later than 7:45! Call time for the concert on Sunday is 2:00 PM, with the performance at 3:00 PM. Please wear concert black for this performance (see the article on December concert Act 1 attire for further details). If you have any questions, please see any member of the board.

Start with a Smile and Support GCCC While Shopping

The holidays are fast approaching, and many of us will likely turn to Amazon to help us all out with our gift giving this year. The good news is that you can also support GCCC while checking those names off of your holiday gift list! All you have to do is use the following link when shopping:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/77-0214637> rather than the regular Amazon home page. Amazon donates 0.5% of your purchase price to GCCC every time you shop using this link. Please share the Amazon Smile link with your friends and family members too. If you have any questions, please see a member of the board.

Concert Attire, December 2016 Edition

It's never too early to start thinking about our concert attire for our upcoming performances. Here is the layout of what everyone will be wearing as concert dress for December:

For Ladies: Long sleeved or ¾ length sleeved black blouse, with a V neck, scoop neck, or boat neck. The blouse should not have short sleeves, collars, beading, or adornment. Ladies will also wear a long black skirt with black panty hose or long black dress slacks, with black socks and black, closed toe shoes. No heels, please, as these affect sight lines are very hard on your feet while on the risers! Jewelry should be minimal and understated—no long dangling earrings, no flashy necklaces or anything that would distract from us having a uniform appearance as a chorus. Red scarves will be provided for all the ladies to wear.

For Gentlemen: Concert dress is a black tuxedo, a white tuxedo shirt with a standard collar (no French collars, please), a red bowtie and red cummerbund, black shoes, and black socks.

For the second half of the program, singers may stay in their formal concert dress or liven things up slightly by changing into festive holiday attire. Ladies may change into a holiday blouse, or put on a pretty scarf or hat; gentlemen may loosen their ties, take off their jackets, or put on a vest or a festive hat. While we often have a few singers who would love to wear a Christmas sweater, please remember that it gets very hot on the risers under the stage lights, so we don't really recommend this.

As always, please remember to refrain from using perfumes, colognes, scented lotions or any fragrance that might cause other singers to have allergic reactions.

We understand that some of our members may have difficulty purchasing concert attire due to financial concerns. If you have any concerns of this nature, please talk to your section leader or to a member of the Board.

If you have any questions about concert attire, please see your section leader, Michelle, or any member of the Board.

Take Home a December Concert Keepsake—Order a Concert CD

As we make our way into the final month of rehearsals for our December concert, you may be feeling a bit sad about not singing or hearing our concert music again after the concert is complete. Fortunately, Gold Coast Concert Chorus records all concerts and offers CDs of each concert for sale to choir members so you can listen to and re-live the memory of the performances more than once. Starting tonight, you can place an order for a CD of the December concert for \$20 per CD. The CD orders will be placed with Tom Scharf, our recording engineer, and the CDs will be available to pick up during our March concert rehearsal period. If you are interested in purchasing a CD, please see Valerie at the break.