



New Member Orientation-2024



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BEST OF STATE CHORAL GROUP

The Choirs of SLCA

Concert Choir

The Concert Choir is comprised of approximately 125 dedicated singers ages 20-80. This ensemble prepares and performs masterworks and major repertoire from a broad range of styles and time periods. The concert choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings.

Chamber Choir

With 50 members drawn from the Concert Choir, this ensemble is for advanced singers who desire to learn and perform more challenging and specialized repertoire. The Chamber Choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings after Concert Choir rehearsal.

Women's Choir

The Women's Choir is on hiatus this season. We will make an announcement when it resumes.

Salt Lake Vocal Artists

The Salt Lake Vocal Artists is a professional-level choir that acts as the touring and special project choir of SLCA. SLVA has toured extensively throughout the world performing at prestigious festivals and competitions. SLVA rehearses on Thursday evenings.

Youth Honor Choir

SLCA's Youth Honor Choir Festival is held each winter/spring and gives high school choirs the opportunity to perform larger works with professional-level singers and orchestra. Students receive music training and skills that improve their high school performances and prepare them for future opportunities.

Men's Choir

The SLCA Men's Choir was organized in 2013 to perform at the internationally acclaimed Choralies Festival in Vaison-la-Romaine, France. The Men's Choir continues as a project choir when opportunities arise for choirs featuring men's voices.

Young Choral Artists (YoCA) The Children's Choir is on hiatus this season. We will make an announcement when it resumes.

Organization

Board of Directors

SLCA is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization governed by a board of directors. The board meets a minimum of 4 times per year and creates and approves organization policy.

Artistic Staff

Dr. Brady Allred-Artistic Director

Conductor-Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, SLVA, YHC, Men's Choir

Kerrin Gates-Assistant Conductor, Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, SLVA

Laurel Palmer-Principal Accompanist

Administrative Staff

Dave Reeder-Managing Director

Ashley Wright-Choir Secretary and Website Manager

Emily Booth-Building Manager

Choir Officers

Choir officers chair committees and help keep the organization running smoothly. Officers include section managers, librarians, and ticket managers.

Wardrobe

Women - Your choir's wardrobe coordinator will contact you to review the wardrobe requirements for your ensemble.

Men - Concert choir men wear standard black tuxedos, white wing tip collar tuxedo shirt, black cummerbund, black bow tie. Chamber choir men wear a black vest instead of cummerbund. Most local tuxedo rental stores have used tuxedos for sale at a reasonable price.

A black music folder is required for all singers. Folders can be purchased at Day Murray Music or online at Amazon.com.

Attendance

- Please be on time for all rehearsals so you are able to participate in the warm-up.
- If going to be late or miss, please let appropriate person know (section manager, conductor)
- If you miss 2 or more rehearsals between concerts, you'll be asked to attend an Individual Testing Session (ITS) to help the artistic staff know you are prepared.
- The full season schedule is available now. Please review it carefully and make arrangements to avoid any conflicts. We need all singers to participate in rehearsals and concerts.

Rehearsals

Rehearsals will always start at the designated time. Please arrive early and put your music in rehearsal order as indicated on the board. Out of respect for the conductor and those singers around you, please silence your phones and keep them put away during rehearsal. You should always bring a pencil to rehearsal and be diligent in marking all instructions given by the conductor. When the conductor is rehearsing another section, please do not sing or hum your part. Please do not ask questions or make comments as they interrupt the flow of the rehearsal.

Choir Announcements and Communication

Weekly announcements are emailed on Mondays. Please read these announcements carefully as they contain important information. The deadline for announcement submissions is Friday at 5 pm.

Our website ([Salt LakeChoralArtists.org](http://SaltLakeChoralArtists.org)) has a member section accessed through the "Member Login" link located at the bottom of the page. The password is: slcasing
Forms, schedules, practice files, etc. are available in the member's section of the website.

Social Media

Stay in touch with SLCA on social media. Help us promote the organization by clicking "Like," "Share" and comment on posts.

Concert Recordings

SLCA members are able to purchase concert recordings once they have been edited and uploaded by our sound engineer. We will announce additional details on obtaining these recordings once we have finalized our distribution process.

Tuition

Tuition is an important part of SLCA's financial health. Tuition is collected Sep-Aug via automatic credit card or eCheck payment. Monthly cash/check payments are not accepted, but payment for the full season can be made at the start of the season using any payment method. Members singing in multiple ensembles only pay tuition for only 1 ensemble. Tuition rates are as follows:

Concert Choir, Salt Lake Vocal Artists

Monthly Tuition	\$48.00
Student Tuition	\$24.00
Family Tuition	\$36.00
Full Payment Upfront (save \$60)	\$516.00

Scholarships

Partial tuition scholarships (for any ensemble) are available for those with a financial need. Scholarships recipients must serve on an SLCA committee.

Referral Incentive

Because SLCA is always looking for new singers, we offer a referral incentive for those members that help us recruit. A 50% tuition discount will be offered for all new referrals.

The SLCA member who makes the referral can choose how the discount is applied. It can be applied to their own tuition, to the referrals tuition, or can be split between the two. Referrals must be new to SLCA (or haven't sung for 2 full seasons.) The referral discount will remain in effect for one season and will be in effect as long as the new referral is current on their tuition.

Concert Tickets

2024-2025 concert ticket prices for any of the 4 main season concerts are as follows:

\$20.00 Adult

\$10.00 Student

\$15.00 Advance adult tickets sold by choir members or online

*Ticket prices are occasionally higher for more expensive concerts with full orchestra.

SLVA concert ticket prices will be announced when venues/programs are finalized.

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