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DESCANT

2/4 Tuesday Rehearsal Ice Cream Social 5:15 pm 2/11 Tuesday Rehearsal 2/18 Tuesday Rehearsal 2/25 Tuesday Rehearsal

CONCERT

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2/21 Friday Mandatory Carmen Performance W/ DSO 5:30 PM CALL

2/23 Sunday Mandatory Carmen Performance W/ DSO 12:45 PM CALL



ATTENTION DESCANT CHOIR!

Descant Choir Members need to use this link for practicing each day. We are working hard to memorize all of our concert music!

DESCANT CHOIR HOME PRACTICE GUIDE 24-25 (CLICK HERE



Descant Ice Cream Social

The very popular Descant Ice Cream Social is this Tuesday!

We want to start by 5:15 pm, so please arrive by 5:05 PM to drop off your items so there is time to get it organized and set-up. You can bring any non perishable items and toppings to a prior meeting if that helps.

We could really use a few more parents to help both set up and clean up! If you are able to help, please text Mrs. K at 734 646 7987.







Message from Mrs. Kidd, Concert Choir Conductor:

Dear AAYC singers and families,

Mrs. Kidd wants to let you know about two very exciting events that are going to occur on February 14th and February 15th. This is right before our Concert Choir sings our "Carmen" performances the week following.

Mrs. Kidd is on the board of the University of Michigan Friends of Opera organization. They grant voice scholarships to singers who are studying vocal performance. The Friends are having their 50th Anniversary celebration! on Valentine's Day weekend. You are all invited and it is FREE and open to the public. And there will be free food! On February 14th, Valentine's Day, this year's competition winners will perform a recital. Marissa Redding, the undergraduate winner, attended Huron High School and was in choir all four years! The event will take place at the School of Music, Theater, and Dance in Britten Recital Hall. That's on North Campus at U of M. Parking at night is free and there is plenty of it. The event begins at 8:00pm with a dessert reception following. You are all invited.

Then, drum roll please, on February 15th, Friends of Opera has invited past winners of the competition who are currently working in the industry to return to SMTD and perform a recital and also do a Q&A session with the audience. AAYC's five year alum Sam Kidd, who is currently a young artist with San Francisco Opera, will be returning to Ann Arbor to perform on this recital. There will be two other singers for the recital as well as panelists for the question and answer session that follows. This event is Saturday, February 15th in Britten Recital Hall at SMTD at U of M, and starts at 5:00pm. Again, plenty of parking at the School of Music. The Q&A begins at 6:00pm, and then a heavy hors d'oeuvres afterward at 7:00pm. This event is also FREE and open to the public! If you are able, please come and support Sam, along with the other singers, and hear and enjoy amazing singers and music for these two events!



Winter Weather



If inclement weather occurs, you will receive a notification by text or email from your choir's coordinator, as to each director's decision regarding their choir's rehearsal plans. If you have further questions on those occasions, please reach out to your coordinators for clarification. Contact info is included in the link at the top of the page. I will try to post a notification on our website at a2yc.org, as well.

silent auction help needed!

Interested in helping with the AAYC Online and Silent Auction to support the mission of our organization?

Here's how you can assist:

1) Assemble a basket of items (games, videos, dinner ingredients) to offer in the Auction. Last year we had several wonderful baskets of ingredients and recipes for meals that were extremely popular in the bidding. Especially popular were ethnically oriented baskets (Indian, Italian, etc.). Other ideas are movie night baskets, road trip baskets, snow day baskets...the sky is the limit for ideas! In the past we have had donations of season tickets for a specific concert or sports event. These are always popular items, but remember the date of the event needs to be AFTER April 1.

2) Volunteer to pick up items that have been pledged (gift cards, physical items, etc.).

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Board member Marilyn Meeker (<u>marilyn.meeker@gmail.com</u> or 734-355-6903).

Thanks for your consideration!





CONCERT CHOIR CARMEN PERFORMANCE WEEK DETAILS!

2/18 Tuesday Mandatory Rehearsal @FPC Ann Arbor with DSO Chorus Master

2/20 Thursday Mandatory Carmen Rehearsal W/ DSO

Thursday: 4:00pm call to depart at 4:15pm (kids need their carmen scores, water bottle, bagged sandwich for dinner and whatever they want to go along with that, and coats). We will have snacks on the bus but they bring their own dinner in a bag.

2/21 Friday Mandatory Carmen Performance W/ DSO

Friday: 5:30pm call to depart at 5:45pm - (kids do not need their scores, do need water bottles, dinner in a bag if not eaten yet, coats). We will have snacks on the bus.

2/23 Sunday Mandatory Carmen Performance W/ DSO

Sunday: 12:45pm call to depart at 1pm - (kids need water bottles, coats, no Carmen scores, lunch in a bag). There will be snacks on the bus.



ALL PARENTS must have their cell phones on and ready to receive a text message or call after the dress rehearsal and the performances. Kids will text or call with a 20 minute warning to be at the church for pick up. Pick up is in the parking lot. Parents should drive all the way around the building to the other side into that parking area. The bus will pull up there. It will NOT pull into the parking lot. It will pull alongside Washtenaw in front of the church on all three days.