Saint Viator Concert Choir 2013-2014

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Course Description

Concert Choir addresses the fundamentals of vocal technique, sight-singing, and performance skills through the study and performance of music from various genres and traditions. The Concert Choir performs in concerts at school, local festivals, and community events. Participation in performances is required for a passing grade.

Course Materials

- **Pencil** You will need to bring one and keep it in your folder.
- Black choir folder This will be provided for you in class. It is your responsibility to keep your folder in good condition. If your folder is damaged, you may be charged the cost of its replacement.
- **Assigned repertoire** This will be provided for you in class. It is your responsibility to keep and return your music in good condition. You may be charged the cost of replacement for any music lost or damaged.

Assessment

Student learning will be assessed both formally and informally in the following ways:

- 60% Participation
- 30 % Performances
- 10% Skill Assessments

A more detailed description of these categories are available on the Quia page.

Major Events & Performances

Listed below are the major concerts and events that the Concert Choir will perform at this school year. Please note that these dates and times may change and events may be added. For a complete and up-to-date Concert Choir calendar, please see the Google calendar on the Quia page.

Fall Concert Tues. Oct. 29 - 7pm Winter Arts Festival Sun. Dec. 8 - 2pm

Fine Arts Assembly Wed. Mar. 6 - During School Day

Choral Showcase Sun. Apr. 6 - Time TBA Spring Arts Festival Sun. May 4 - 1pm

Baccalaureate Mass Thurs. May 15 - 6:30pm

Optional Performance Opportunities

- ILMEA Auditions (October); District Festival (November); All-State (January)
- Solo & Ensemble Contest in March; prerequisite for solos and small groups for Choral Showcase
- New York Trip Travel to NYC in May to perform at Lincoln Center!

Expectations

Students will be expected to...

- Adhere to all school policies including dress code, technology guidelines, tardiness, attendance, academic integrity, respect for school property. No gum!
- Treat others with respect at all times.
- Be prepared with all materials at every rehearsal and proper attire for all performances.
- Be attentive at all times and participate fully in rehearsal.
- Participate in all scheduled rehearsals and performances. Students with unavoidable anticipated absences must email Mrs. Sandrock, copying a parent/guardian, as soon as the conflict is discovered. In the case of a last minute unexpected illness or family emergency, a parent or guardian must contact Mrs. Sandrock via email.
- Conduct themselves with decorum during performances. No talking backstage, on stage, or in the audience.

Concert Attire

For performances, women wear concert dresses and men wear tuxes. These will be provided by the school and will be distributed before the first concert. It is the responsibility of each student to maintain the dress/tux provided, including having the garments dry cleaned as needed. The garments **must** be dry cleaned before they are returned at the end of the school year. Students will be responsible for the cost of replacing any lost items.

For concert attire, students must provide black dress shoes. Women: shoes may have heels up to but *no higher than* 2 inches; Men – socks must be black! No distracting jewelry or accessories are permitted for performances.

Other Things Worth Noting

- Google Calendar the Concert Choir has its own Google calendar, which may be found on the Quia page and will be maintained by the director. It is the responsibility of each student to check this calendar to stay informed of upcoming events outside the school day.
- Email Students must follow SVHS protocol, using their Saint Viator email account and copying a parent or guardian, whenever emailing the director.
- Twitter Follow @SVHSConcertChr for updates and reminders!