BARBERSHOP BEAT

ATLANTIC BAY - MOUNTAIN REGION 19 | JANUARY 2021

REGION 19 ILLUMINATING ONLINE LEARNING SERIES

🍘 SPECIAL GUEST: HALO QUARTET/HALO, INC. FOR RACE & #REALTALK



Calling all singers, quartets, directors, administrators, marketers, potential judges and arrangers, storytellers, choreographers, techies, tag and virtual chorus enthusiasts, etc! The Learning Lab has 14 guest and regional instructors and 17 total skills classes.



JAN. 15–16, 2021 | REGISTRATION DEADLINE JANUARY 10

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Registration is closed, and we hope you reserved your seat! Region 19 is kicking off 2021 with our brand new virtual Learning Lab! This weekend will be full of knowledge shared by the wonderful faculty shown above. We can't wait to see you there!



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REGION 19 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THIS SECTION INCLUDES CHAPTER EVENTS, REGIONAL EVENTS, EDUCATION EVENTS, AND INTERNATIONAL EVENTS.

EVENT

DATE

2021

| Region 19 Learning Lab (Zoom) | Jan. 15-16 |
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| Region 19 F.L.A.S.H. (Faculty: Britt-Helene Bonnedahl), Location Baltimore, MD | Sept. 10-12 |
| International Convention, St. Louis, MO | 0ct. 11-16 |



SUBMIT ADDITIONS AND/OR CORRECTIONS TO THE REGIONAL CALENDAR TO IRENE HERSHEY, TEAM COORDINATOR, IHERSHEY@AOL.COM CHORUS SHOW DATES DO NOT HAVE TO BE "CLEARED" WITH THE REGION, HOWEVER, THIS CALENDAR MAY BE USEFUL FOR PLANNING EVENTS.



REGION 19 MISSION

Our mission: Region 19 is a women's organization dedicated to musical excellence and the development of leaders through education, camaraderie, and performance of a cappella harmony in the barbershop style.

Region 19 Website: www.region19sai.org Member's Facebook: www.facebook.com/region19SAI Director's Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/381778536043160 Presidents/Team Leaders' Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/514932849349532 REC's Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/558299848045442 Membership Coordinator's Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/2484755828517569

THANKS FOR YOUR SUBMISSIONS!

We welcome your calendar items, chapter and quartet news, and other items of regional interest.

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SALLY KELLY, EVENTS COORDINATOR

24 CHORUSES WILL ENTER, ONLY ONE WILL SURVIVE [DUN, DUUUUN]

Hello Region 19,

I know it seems difficult to believe we could top the fun and creativity of last year's Online Extravaganza but we think we've got it. This year's event, called **Game On**! will engage choruses in head to head competition hosted by Region 19's own webcaster team. Teams of 5-6 members from each chorus will compete live on YouTube in games based on TV game shows through the years. Similar to college basketball's March Madness, 24 teams (23 choruses + 1 CAL team) will be matched up in a bracket, and through single elimination one winner will emerge. Mark your calendars now for this fun event that will be live on YouTube the evenings of May 14 & 15 as well as a short teaser event live on May 8 where we will pull chorus names to build the bracket. No signup or registration fee needed. Just click on the YouTube link that we'll provide later.

How will each Chorus choose their team members?

That is totally up to you. You could have your own preliminary fun events to see who rises to the top. You can pull names from a hat. Make it fun. However you choose your team members, just know that no advanced training is needed to play any of the games.

What do Choruses need to do in advance?

Each chorus will prepare a 1 minute video that will play before each initial match-up. The video can be anything you want. Basically, it's something that will introduce your chorus to those watching. You can get more details about the videos in the Saturday, January 16 Learning Lab session at 3:45 as we Reveal Upcoming Events.

Quartets will also prepare short 15 second video quips where they will round-robin answer a random question. This is an opportunity for quartets to get a little visibility in a fun and low-pressure way. More detail on that coming soon.

How can you get involved?

We need some tech help, both in advance of and during the event. The tech helpers will assist choruses who need it in preparing their videos. Some training will be available for helpers who are interested, but not super experienced.

We also will need zoom administration help from 2 people during the event nights (May 8, 14 and 15). Those people will also be required at various points during preparation to do test runs of various aspects of the event:

- game play
- transitioning from match to match
- updating tournament bracket

Contact Sally Kelly (sakhcmc61@gmail.com) if you can help in either of these tasks.

We also need help with marketing and graphic design for the logo development and other promotional materials. If you would like to serve on the Game On! Marketing committee, email Donna Vincent Roa at Region19rocks@gmail.com for more information.

COMMUNICATION CORNER



It's a new year filled with new possibilities. What do you want to achieve?

January is the time of year we typically make some new resolutions. I'm sure some people keep their resolutions, but if you're like me you try to change too many specific things all at once. It gets overwhelming and you take a break...until next year.

I'm trying something new this year: a theme. (If you happen to watch his videos, yes - this article is heavily influenced by CGP Grey. You can watch his original video here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NVGuFdX5guE</u>) For instance, instead of saying "I'm going to read one book a week for the next year", choose a theme such as "Year of Reading". It sounds vague, but that is the point. This way, if you want to read a book that you know will take longer than a week to finish, you are still on theme without feeling disappointed about not meeting your specific goal. If in April you discover you really love reading educational articles, you can switch your focus and still be working toward your theme. With a theme, there are multiple paths to follow to accomplish your goal.

This can be applied to choruses and quartets as well. For instance, you can choose the theme "Year of New Music". This can take on many forms: learning new music to sing together, teaching new tags, introducing new songs for physical warmups, or even each singer sharing a new song they love with the rest of the chorus. Maybe you might choose "Year of Connection" and interview one of your members every week, set aside time to talk to each other in Zoom breakout rooms, start a chorus "buddy" program, reach out and connect with another chorus or quartet, or simply reach out via phone, email, or snail mail to one another.

If you choose a theme for yourself or your chorus/quartet, share it with me and/or others - I'd love to hear what you come up with!





HEART OF MARYLAND

On the evening of last September 28th, Heart of MD hosted a reunion of past members, and it was wonderful to hear that nearly all of them are still singing barbershop. We had 16 former "Hearts" join us (some from as far away as FL, CO, and AZ) and we had a blast talking over old times!

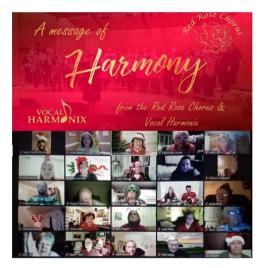


ARUNDELAIR

December was an exciting month for Arundelair Chorus! We hosted our first virtual holiday program on our YouTube Channel which included an incredible Friends & Family Virtual Chorus of "Peace, Peace/Silent Night". Check out the full program video at

<u>https://youtu.be/TOV9WD1gcgw</u> and the Friends & Family Virtual Chorus video at <u>https://youtu.be/uNFGiLZrcC0</u>. It was so much fun and an honor to have so many amazing people take the time to sing with us! Despite all the challenges we've endured this past year, we are truly thankful and appreciative to be surrounded by such an amazing community and excited to see what 2021 has in store!





VOCAL HARMONIX

During the month of December, Vocal Harmonix worked on a fun project with Red Rose Chorus, the men's barbershop chorus in Lancaster, PA (also directed by our own Lori Jo Whitehaus!). With the continued need for virtual performance, we created a fun video with our 8-part harmony voices. In the spirit of the season, we chose Harmony as our song. Prior to starting our virtual holiday party on the 21st where we all enjoyed opening our "Secret Elfster" gifts, the men joined the Zoom so we could all watch it together. It has now been posted on the new Vocal Harmonix YouTube channel. We are very excited about sharing this with everyone, so check us out! We hope to do more in the future. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4_M_mJTr64



UPPER CHESAPEAKE

Goodbye 2020. We have learned from this past year that we are resilient and adaptable. We have loved the beautiful music brought to us by Tyler. We have visited with each other in breakouts and have supported each other through rough times. We are UCC, region 19, and SAI strong.





JERSEY SOUND

One of the organizations Jersey Sound Chorus supported this Holiday Season was Operation Yellow Ribbon (OYR). This year, instead of their annual "Cookie Drop," OYR hosted "Operation Holiday Goodie Drop."

The Jersey Sound Family collected sealed non-perishable items to brighten our soldier's holidays. Some of the goodie donations we received included: candy canes, ground coffee, tea bags, sealed tins of cookies and candy, gingerbread house kits, and Tastykakes! Everything was dropped off at the designated location.

This was a wonderful opportunity to show love, support and appreciation to our Military for their service and sacrifice.



HARBOR CITY MUSIC COMPANY

Harbor City was home for the holidays, but Flat Michael has been busy traveling around helping HCMC members with a bunch of tough and also fun activities. He went to NYC, shoveled snow, trained dogs, baked, sewed, made and drank coffee and ended the year at a rip roaring NYE party. He's our kind of a guy.





LONDON/OXFORD/ REGION 19/ HARMONY - IT'S ALL HERE!!

Have you heard? Things are happening in Region 19 from July 17 - 23, 2021 and YOU are invited to join-in the fun. Our Region 19 chorus, under the superb direction of master director CLAIRE DOMENICK, will be traveling to England. And our guest quartet will be the amazing LUSTRE. Can you even imagine the harmony and the fun?!

5 Facts to Register:

www.harmony-travel.net (For complete details) Cost: \$2399. - Land tour, lodging, sightseeing, venues, buses, receptions Air Fare not Included. (Contact person available to schedule) Based on double-occupancy rooms REGISTER BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2020 AND SAVE \$100 (Harmony Travel will donate \$100 for every singer registered to the SAI Overtone Society)

4 Facts for Music:

Region 19 Chorus will learn about 8 songs for our part of the 2 hour shows in London and Oxford. (25 minutes allotted for 2 choruses and Lustre) Many of the songs will be familiar as regional songs you already know Rehearsal time/place to be announced at a later date We will be sharing the trip and the stage with the regional chorus from Region 12

3 Facts about POST-TOUR Options: (Added cost)

France: Perform at the American Cemetery in Normandy Also perform and tour in Paris. Total of 5 days in France Scotland: Self-guided tour around Edinburgh - 3-4 days

2 Facts You MUST Know:

AGAIN - REGISTER BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2020 AND RECEIVE \$100 DISCOUNT! (Registration fee is \$300) All welcome - grab singers from other regions OR other friends who sing

1 Fact You Can't Deny:

BELIEVE IT - THIS TRIP WILL BE A HOOT!! ARE YOU READY TO HAVE SOME FUN?

www.harmony-travel.net Patsy Meiser.