



# Milwaukee Children's Choir

*Building Noteworthy Character*

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## MYC News

Hello Youth Chorale,

Thank you all for a fine rehearsal Tuesday night. I think the upgrade in the quality of your work made last week's rehearsal much more enjoyable for everyone. Thank you again. Thanks also to those of you who attended the make-up rehearsal on Thursday. Now our job is to maintain and improve upon what we worked on. Please take the time to brush up the basics all notes, rhythms, dynamics, text inflections and expressive nuances we have incorporated. Of course you should still be memorized when I see you on Tuesday. Please be sure to bring all of your lit. so we can work on the holiday stuff as well.

Don't forget that you can use the reference recordings I have provided on my Shorewood site <http://bit.ly/shorewoodvox> under the MYC tab. You may also You Tube some of the songs as some of them are available there too, especially *Banks O' Doon*. Good luck preparing.

### Silver Lake College mini tour and New Orleans Trip

Thank you to those who have responded to the tour surveys and such. We look as though we are much closer to being able to field a group for the Silver Lake event. It appears now as though we may be leaving Saturday, which should also help a few of you also join us. Please let us know immediately if that makes it possible for you to join us.

### Rehearsal Plan – November 15

1. Run our program of lit memorized
  - a. *Just as the Tide*
  - b. *Banks O' Doon*
  - c. *Bill Baily*
  - d. *Ma Navu*
2. Work on and correct any problems in that lit.
3. Work on two (or more) pieces for the Holiday Pops

### MCC Fall Concert – Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.

Here are the details:

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| 12:00pm  | – Call room # 171                      |
| 1:00     | – Curtain                              |
| 2:30 ish | – Concert ends, Clean up and dismissal |

Have a great weekend. I look forward to a great concert this week.

Mr. Clark

### Milwaukee Ballet's *Nutcracker*

Yikes! Treble singers, we need your *Nutcracker* sign-up forms! If you haven't handed yours in, please do so this week! We hope each singer can commit to 5 *Nutcracker* performances. It's great fun! Final schedules will be distributed to singers once we are able to compile the individual forms. You can help by making sure your form is returned!

## Upcoming Rehearsal Schedule:

### November

- 15 - Regular Rehearsal, Vocal Coaching by appt with Mrs. Egger 6:30-7:00, **Also, MCC's Annual Meeting, Milwaukee Youth Arts Center, 6:30-7:00 PM. All are invited to attend.**
- 19 - (Saturday) MCC Autumn Concert "A Stroll Through the Countryside." 1:00 pm concert, Singer call time 12:00 p.m., Hales Corners Lutheran Church
- 22 - Regular Rehearsal, Vocal Coaching by appt with Mrs. Egger 6:30-7:00
- 29 - Regular Rehearsal (*Possible MSO Rehearsal would cause us to cancel regular rehearsal*)
- 30 - (Wednesday) Possible MSO Rehearsal for *Holiday Pops*

### December

- 1 - (Thursday) Rehearsal with MSO, singer call time TBD, Uihlein Hall, Marcus Center
- 2 - (Friday) *Holiday Pops* Concert with MSO, 8:00 pm concert, singer call time TBD, Uihlein Hall, Marcus Center
- 3 - (Saturday) *Holiday Pops* Concert with MSO, 8:00 pm concert, singer call time TBD, Uihlein Hall, Marcus Center
- 4 - (Sunday) *Holiday Pops* Concert with MSO, 2:30 pm concert, singer call time TBD, Uihlein Hall, Marcus Center
- 6 - Regular Rehearsal, Vocal Coaching by appt with Mrs. Egger 6:30-7:00, Choir party tentatively scheduled last 30 minutes, watch for details from Mr. Clark. Parents welcome.
- 9 - (Friday) Possible *Nutcracker*<sup>r</sup> (TREBLE SINGERS ONLY) Dress Rehearsal, *time TBD*
- 10 - (Saturday) Solo Auditions by appointment for Florentine Master Class and Sing-A-Thon, at MYAC, 9a-12p, 3p-6p
- 10-26 - *Nutcracker*<sup>r</sup> Performances (see flyer for more details) (TREBLE SINGERS ONLY)
- 13 - Regular Rehearsal, Vocal Coaching by appt with Mrs. Egger 6:30-7:00
- 20 - Winter Break (except *Nutcracker* performances)
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## Office News

**MCC Season Tickets:** Mailed home Friday, Nov. 11. Please watch your mailbox for their arrival (that is, if you ordered season tickets! ☺!) Season ticket seats are first-come first-served within the reserved season ticket section. Arrive early for the best seats!

**Individual November 19<sup>th</sup> Concert Tickets:** Available from rehearsal assistants at all rehearsal sites and at the door the day of the concert. ALL tickets are general admission.

**Do You Know A Child Who Loves to Sing?** MCC artistic staff members have decided to open MCC membership for ONE rehearsal the week after Thanksgiving. If you know a child who loves to sing and is interested in joining Milwaukee Children's Choir, please have them phone or email our office at 414-221-7040 or [membership@milwaukeechildrenschoir.org](mailto:membership@milwaukeechildrenschoir.org). We will invite them to a rehearsal the week of November 28<sup>th</sup> and, if they are in 4<sup>th</sup> grade or above, allow them to audition immediately after that rehearsal! **Please make sure your friends pre-register for this rehearsal through the MCC office. Thanks!**

**Holiday Trees and Wreaths for the Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> Silent Auction:** Each year, MCC hosts a silent auction at its first big concert of the season to help support MCC programming. If you have decorated a tree or wreath or put together a gift basket for the silent auction, please take your completed item(s) to this week's rehearsal. Mary Murphy will pick up the items at each rehearsal site and deliver them to the concert. Questions? Contact Mary at [mmurphy@milwaukeechildrenschoir.org](mailto:mmurphy@milwaukeechildrenschoir.org) or 414-221-7040.

**How Do We Ensure a Successful Silent Auction Next Saturday?** Bring lots of guests to the concert to hear how accomplished our singers have become, enjoy the festive autumn atmosphere, and be prepared to bid high and bid often—it's for a wonderful cause!

**Rehearsal Site Auction Gift Basket Competition:** This is the last week to make a donation to your rehearsal site auction gift basket. Each site's rehearsal assistant has a basket at their check-in table ready to collect a donation from each choir family. Read on for your site's theme!

- **Milwaukee Youth Chorale** ▯ **Bed, Bath and Body:** Traditionally given to women but also enjoyed by men. Great for Christmas, birthdays, Mother's Day! Possible items to include—Rolled up towels, aromatherapy candles, bath salts, body lotions, shampoos, soaps, inflatable bath pillow, loofah sponge, bath mitt, massage oil, gift certificate to a spa or massage.

**MSO Holiday Pops, Enjoy MCC's Concert Ticket Discount!** MCC's Jubilate and the Milwaukee Youth Chorale are, once again, joining the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra and the Symphony Chorus in the annual sell-out Holiday Pops concerts this December. Contact Stacy Mills at 414-226-7811 or millss@mso.org to order your Holiday Pops tickets. Mention that you are a friend of Milwaukee Children's Choir and receive a 35% discount. Seats are limited, so call as soon as possible to secure your tickets!

**Milwaukee Ballet's *The Nutcracker!*** Once again this year, Milwaukee Children's Choir's senior treble and select Cantabile singers have been given the great honor and opportunity to sing with the Milwaukee Ballet in ***The Nutcracker***. To order tickets for this holiday favorite, phone the Milwaukee Ballet box office at **414-902-2103** between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. **Tell Tracy or Leslie you are a friend of Milwaukee Children's Choir**, and you'll receive the MCC **20% discount!** They will be happy to place your order using any of the following credit cards: MasterCard, Visa, American Express or Discover. Tickets including tax and the 20% MCC discount range from \$23 - \$60 and will be mailed to the address you provide over the phone. MCC friends may also order tickets online at [www.milwaukeeballet.org](http://www.milwaukeeballet.org). **Use the promotional code "MCC"** to receive your discount. However, note that there is a Ticketmaster fee of \$6.75 per ticket and a handling fee of \$4 per order when ordering online.

*Have a Wonderful Weekend!*