

CMEA CAPITOL SECTION HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL

HONOR CHOIR

APPLICATION and INFORMATION School Year 2010-2011

The annual CMEA Capitol Section Honor Choir performance will take place on **Sunday, January 30, 2011 at 4:00 PM in Fremont Presbyterian Church**, located across the street from Sacramento State University in Sacramento. Please read these instructions carefully to assist your students in participating in this wonderful learning experience. We must receive confirmation of your participation from you postmarked no later than **Friday, October 1st**. **Applications that are not postmarked by the due date will be returned.**

GUEST CONDUCTORS

We have engaged **Ken Rawdon**, Choral Conductor at Mt. Eden High School in Hayward for over 18 years to serve as the guest Conductor for the High School Honor Choir and **Linda Lovaas** who has a full-time choral program in Modesto where she has been the chorus director at Mark Twain Junior High School for the past 18 years. These Conductors are master teachers with top level choral programs and we are honored that they will share their enthusiasm, artistry and expertise with our students this year.

STUDENT PARTICIPATION

High schools may send individual SATB quartets, consisting of a soprano, alto, male tenor and male bass from each program to ensure the appropriate voicing for the Honor Choir. You may send as many well prepared quartets as you like. If your program does not have the required quartets, but has one or two very deserving singers, please contact Donald Kendrick through the email address below before sending any applications. Middle schools please send well prepared trios of SAB or SSA (please don't send SSAB). Please note that there is a separate application for middle school. Last year we had an increase in participation by boys in the honor choir—let's build on that experience and have lots of young male singers participating so that we can sing SAB music! However, we may have to include SSA music again if we are lacking in numbers in the baritone section.

TEACHER PARTICIPATION

We have changed the format of the Director's Meeting this year so that they will not be meeting during actual Honor Choir rehearsals. I have given you two choices of meetings below to choose from at which time you can collate your music packets and CD materials for your own students to take before the Thanksgiving Break

Please attend one of the director's meetings on either Thursday, November 4th at 6 PM OR on Sunday, November 7th at 1 PM at Sac State Capistrano Hall.

Teachers are expected to **ACTIVELY** participate in some aspect of the Capitol Section CMEA Honor Choir and appear at the concert in order to demonstrate support of their students and this choir. We are asking each director to come to at least half of the day for both Saturday rehearsals. We will be contacting you regarding the duties that need to be fulfilled—we really need everyone to pitch in and help. We need sectional leaders, pianists, runners, supervisors, ushers, tickets and program makers, and many more things as we prepare these choirs for their performances.

SCHEDULE

All members of the CMEA Capitol Section Honor Choir are required to know their music in advance of the mandatory rehearsal schedule below. The schedule mirrors last year's schedule which worked well. Please review the schedule with your singers and their parents before sending in your application form! **Absence from any rehearsal will automatically expel the student from the honor choir.** (Please emphasize this rule to your students before they make the commitment to Honor Choir.) Study CD's will be provided, but we are counting on you as their teacher to help the students faithfully learn the repertoire.

HONOR CHOIR SCHEDULE

PARTICIPATING DIRECTOR'S MEETING: (Please attend one of these only)

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| Thursday, November 4 th at 6 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Room 223 |
| Sunday, November 7 th at 1 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Room 223 |

Middle School Mandatory Rehearsal Schedule

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| 1. Thursday, January 20 th | 6-8:30 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Band Room 143 |
| 2. Saturday, January 22 nd | 9 AM-12 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Music Recital Hall |
| | 12-1:00 PM | (Lunch on your own) |
| | 1:00-4:00 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Music Recital Hall |
| 3. Saturday, January 29 th | 9 AM-12 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Music Recital Hall |
| | 12-1:00 PM | (Lunch on your own) |
| | 1:00-4:00 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Music Recital Hall |

High School Mandatory Rehearsal Schedule

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| 1. Thursday, January 20 th | 6:00 – 8:30 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Choral Room 151 |
| 2. Saturday, January 22 nd | 9:00AM – 12:00 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Choral Room 151 |
| | 12:00– 1:00 PM | (Lunch on your own) |
| | 1:00– 4:00 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Choral Room 151 |
| 3. Saturday, January 29 th | 9:00AM – 12:00 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Choral Room 151 |
| | 12:00– 1:00 PM | (Lunch on your own) |
| | 1:00– 4:00 PM | Sacramento State Capistrano Hall Choral Room 151 |

Middle and High Schools—PERFORMANCE DAY at FREMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH **5770 Carlson Dr., Sac. 95819**

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| Sunday, January 30 th | 1:00 –3:20 PM | Rehearsal |
| | 4:00 PM | Concert |

FEES

Each student is required to pay a fee of **\$40** to cover the purchase of his/her individual music packet, CD's and other event expenses. In addition, each school will be required to pay a one time **\$55 fee** regardless of the number of singers that participate in the Honor Choir. Students should pay their school or director, and the director needs to send one check for each school. **PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THE APPLICATION. Please write one check per school payable to: CMEA Capitol Section.** If payment is received after the deadline it will be at an increased fee of \$150.

REPERTOIRE

I will make the repertoire available to you once Ken Rawdon and Linda Lovaas have selected it so that you can have it for the start of your year. Please feel free to contact me directly if I can assist you in any way. Thank you for your speedy response to this paperwork and for your support of this Honor Choir.

Best Wishes,

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