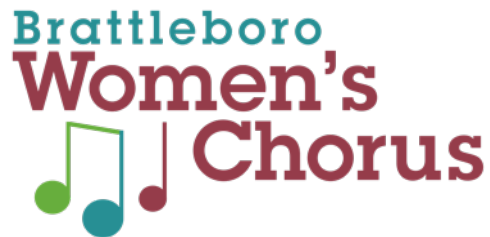


July 2018

Hello Singing Friends!!!



Here we are mid-summer! This is the summer that seemed as if it would never come, following the longest, coldest winter I can remember! And in the heat or the cold, in the good times and the not so good times...what would we do without songs and community to carry us through?!?

Some of us traveled to Grand Rapids for the Sister Singers convention in late June, and the audience loved our concert! We who traveled are agreed that we should go back and bring more singers! (you!) to the next gathering, in Cleveland, in 2022. But....long before that....we have many more chances to sing....in fact we have regular chorus starting up in September!

This fall, we will begin singing together on **Wednesday nights from 6:30 – 8:30 beginning September 5<sup>th</sup>** at All Souls Church, and we'll sing on **Thursday mornings from 10 am – noon at the Brattleboro Music Center beginning September 6<sup>th</sup>**. *Please note that we are not at Centre Church on Thursday mornings anymore because of the parking situation.* We will be meeting at the Brattleboro Music Center, 72 Blanche Moyse Way, across from Memorial Park. Wednesday night singers, we'll be rehearsing **MONDAY SEPTEMBER 17<sup>th</sup>** rather than **WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 19<sup>th</sup>** (Yom Kippur).

The first rehearsals are **Open Rehearsals**, for new singers to come and check out whether chorus is right for them. Spread the word and invite your friends – if everyone were to bring a friend to sign up to chorus, we could decrease our fundraising significantly! While many singers enjoy performing, some prefer to sing weekly and choose not to participate in the concerts at the end of the session.

I am still digging and searching and sifting through songs – your suggestions are always welcome! The theme eludes me so far, but we heard some wonderful music at the Sister Singers festival I'm inspired by, and I do have two songs that I am quite sure we will be singing this fall. One is Moira Smiley's *Stand in that River*:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gvbOpqI9wo>. Another song I'm strongly considering is *With Great Love*, written by Lytingale of Womansong of Asheville:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vf3dLpK0Epc>. I'm also in love with and inspired by Indie Arie's song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6D8PZbLdhA0>.

Our concerts will be in the Brick Church (aka First Baptist Church) on Saturday evening November 17<sup>th</sup> and Sunday afternoon November 18<sup>th</sup>. We'll practice Sunday November 11 and perhaps have an extra rehearsal Friday November 16<sup>th</sup> as well as our usual Wednesday night practice. We will also have **two potlucks**, 9/26 and 10/17 and will have our regular **morning of sectionals** on Saturdays 9/29 & 11/3.

Some of you already registered at our spring party!! Thank you!! Having your timely registration helps me to plan & arrange and purchase music. If you have not registered yet, and plan to sing, the **DEADLINE FOR RETURNING SINGERS TO REGISTER IS AUGUST 17<sup>th</sup>**.

Enjoy the rest of summer! I am so looking forward to seeing you again in the fall and creating beautiful music together, for our benefit and as a gift to those we love and welcome to our concerts.

If you have a friend, co-worker, or neighbor that you think would love chorus, please send this along to her. You are, of course, our best advertisement!

Love in Song, Becky

## **Registration**

Please mail in the form below (last page) along with *at least* a \$40 deposit to Becky at the address below. Deposits or full registration fees must be **received by August 17** to avoid a \$10 late fee. ***YOU ARE REGISTERED ONLY WHEN YOUR DEPOSIT IS RECEIVED!***

**\*\*The Registration Fee is: \$120 for individuals, \$70 for students, and \$190 for a family pair – with a Late Fee of \$10 if I receive your deposit (\$40) or full registration fee AFTER August 17<sup>th</sup>!**  
The remainder of your fee and all financial aid applications are due by our third rehearsal (September 20).\*\*

The late fee is for returning singers ONLY (if you sang in chorus in the past two years)!  
***Brand new chorus members can register at the first three rehearsals with no late fee.***

We work hard with fundraisers to make chorus affordable for all! So if you need financial aid to attend chorus, fill out a form from our website (or write or email to request one):  
<http://www.brattleborowomenschorus.com>, and include it with your registration.

As always, if you are able to give more to help someone else join chorus, please indicate so on the registration form. All donations are tax-deductible.

Questions? Email [info@brattleborowomenschorus.org](mailto:info@brattleborowomenschorus.org)

# Registration Form

## Brattleboro Women's Chorus FALL 2018

Send this form with deposit/payment (amounts below) to:  
Brattleboro Women's Chorus, c/o Becky Graber, 120 Guilford St, Brattleboro VT 05301

Please make all checks payable to: Brattleboro Women's Chorus or BWC

**BY AUGUST 17:** Send (\$40) deposit **OR**  
Pay in full: Adults \$120, Family \$190, Students (age 15-25) \$70  
**AFTER AUG. 17 – Returning Singers (within past 2 years) Please Add \$10 to your Payment**  
*Additional contributions are welcome, and will go to the BWC scholarship fund.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Voice Part \_\_\_\_\_

How did you Hear about Chorus? \_\_\_\_\_

Which Rehearsal Will You (Mostly) Sing With? (circle one): Wednesday PM Thursday AM

Do You Have Trouble Finding Your Pitch?

\_\_\_\_\_  
(This helps me know if you might need some extra help, but is NOT a reason not to join!)

Do you have a song/songs to recommend?

\_\_\_\_\_  
*The easiest for me is ALWAYS if you have a copy of written music or a recording, or a web link!*

Tax-Deductible Contribution (also list below): \_\_\_\_\_

Other Ideas? Suggestions? Comments?? \_\_\_\_\_

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### **MONEY ENCLOSED (check those that apply)**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$40 deposit (*remainder due by Sept. 20*) \_\_\_\_\_ \$70 student (between 16 – 25)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$120 adult \_\_\_\_\_ \$190 family \_\_\_\_\_ Other amount

\_\_\_\_\_ Additional donation enclosed: Amount \_\_\_\_\_