UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL VOCAL MUSIC DEPARTMENT 2022 - 2023

PLEASE READ THIS BEFORE SCROLLING....

To say that I am excited for next year would be a serious understatement. I am grateful to all of you for auditioning for choir, for talking to friends about joining, and for boosting our enrollment by 62% for next year! To the incoming freshman, thanks for just signing up. Whether to continue in choir from middle school, have a class with friends, or just to clear your VAPA requirement.... I am confident that you will have a great year!

With the craziness in the world right now, I believe there is no more important class for you to take than choir. Choir will teach you how to support each other, to be kind, to value those who are different than you, to be creative, to be compassionate, to develop and stick to a schedule, to rely on others, to ask for help, to be a leader, to work hard, to take risks, to be confident, to know the value of going 100% - 100% of the time, to triumph through adversity, and to celebrate success. You will belong to a family here at UNI.

Class lists were determined, in large part, through the audition process. In many cases, the decision was easy; but for some, I gave the benefit of the doubt. If you will be in Canta Bella, Madrigals, or Pop/Rock Choir and did not give 100% this year, we probably talked about it. The difficulty level of the music for next year is harder and will require more work. If you feel like you don't want to put in the work, please let me know now so that I can make a change. My hope is that everyone will "jump in with both feet and go for it" but those who don't will be left behind and, quite possibly, removed from the class in the first couple of weeks.

There is work to do over the summer. You might think of it as *homework*, but I prefer to think of it as *prep-work*. I will be learning the music right along with you so that we can start strong at the beginning of the year. Please check the STUDENTS page on the website frequently during the next couple months, as I will be adding music and practice tracks for you. If you don't know the site password, just email me.

The voice parts listed are the voice parts I would like you to sing so please don't learn another part just because you have *always* sung that part. My job is to help you grow vocally and to challenge you. Please trust the process.

If you have questions about anything, please don't hesitate to ask. I think a lot about choir placement before posting, so please don't ask to be moved to a higher-level choir. If you requested/thought you would be in another choir (or even 2 choirs) and are not, it is probably a scheduling issue, and you should check with your counselor.

Summer Camp and concert dates will be posted soon. Have a wonderful summer!

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Pop/Rock Acapella Period 1

Soprano 1 Maya Breen +

Eliana Lean

Soprano 2 Elise Gillen

Valerie Nguyen +

Alto 1 Izzy Klein

Hannah Norman +

Alto 2 Catherine Mitchell +

Chloe Schiffman

Tenor 1 Tona Kanuara

Jacob Schiffman +

Tenor 2 Matthew Dorfman

Baritone Vibhas Ippili +

Bass Patrick Wong

+ denotes section leader

We currently have 13 students, and you can see that we could use another T2, Bar, and Bass. We also need to find someone who can do vocal percussion...consistently. Ask around. Any grade 9-12, any gender. Have them make an appointment to see me at school next week or send me a video demo recording asap. The same goes for lower voices. These should be students <u>not currently enrolled in the Vocal Music Department</u> unless they can add another choir. Thanks for your help!

Madrigals Period 2

Soprano 1 Reina Gomez

Colette Lichtsteiner Valerie Nguyen Tara Pirzadeh Caitlyn Yu +

Soprano 2 Mallika Cadin +

Ruby DeKeyser Jasmine Jung Tracy Le

Sanskriti Moitra Paulina Wodarz

Alto 1 Isabelle Gilles

Becky Li

Hannah Norman

Annie Qu Daisy Wong +

Alto 2 Lauren Choi

Caitlyn Liao +

Catherine Mitchell

Kat Soto

Sucheta Sundaram

Tenor 1 Phoebe Eng +

Jacob Schiffman Allison Van Erp

Tenor 2 Matthew Dorfman +

Claudia Kahaha

Baritone Cyrus Ash +

Maddox Feemster Analu Tanouye

Bass Vibhas Ippili +

Caden Lee

+ denotes section leader

As you can see, the balance between the S/A and T/B is not fantastic. There should really be about 10 less people in the S/A sections to balance the T/B. I am hopeful that we can add some people to the Tenor/Bar/Bass sections. You know people who would be a great fit for this class. Please reach out to them and have them make an appointment to see me at school next week or send me a video recording asap. These should be students <u>not currently enrolled in the Vocal Music Department</u> unless they can add another choir. Thanks for your help!

Canta Bella Period 3

Soprano 1 Sabrina Chia

Milla De Villers Jennifer Kwon + Bonnie Wei Alisha Zhao

Soprano 2 Mary Ellen Oliveira

Anusuya Paul LeeAnne Petersen Elaine Wang + Avril Zhang Alto 1 Sierra Corliss

Endo Crist

Arpi Gharadaghian +

Elise Gillen Elizabeth Kim Lily Kubo

Alto 2 JoJo Fleischman

Tracy Le +
Sienna Patel
Skyler Smith
Rilee Weaver
Lu Yu

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+ denotes section leader

University Choir Period 4

Alexa Anantavara

Ansh Balasubramanian

Zitong Chen

Rodin Davoodi

Meyliya Fang

Ziyu Huang

Lea Huber

Iman Jahanbin

Amirreza Khosravi

Gaihn Kim

Krill Klimov

Ari Kramer

Anna Liu

Sirui Liu

Lance McCloskey

Amanda Nguyen

Francisco Ochoa

Sungeun Park

Sean Peng

Elena Petersen

Melodie Tajik

Analu Tanouye

Baelyn Thantron

Mikah Toyama

Ishan Vannadil

Rohitha Vijayaraghavan

Ajani Williams

Xingbei Xie

Clarice Xu

Shang Xu

I will hear you sing during the first week of school to put you in voice parts. There is nothing to prepare over the summer. Enjoy your time off and I will see you in August!

University Choir Period 5

Shanmukh Bachhu

Sara Baraket

Ria Biju

Solace Brogger

Elijah Castro

Harshadha Chaganti

Masih Chavoushi

Cune Chu

Sophia Dai

Cocoro Darby

Katherine Demeter-Toader

Lilian Gan

Ilia Ghorbani

Sai Pranay Gonuguntla

Delaney Hill

Joanne Hsu

Po-En Huang

Xingyue Huang

Joseph Kim

Carlos Ledesma

Edward Lee

Jiwoo Park

Daniel Pyle-Paegel

Ariana Ranaei

Roberto Reyes De Vizcaya

Dalila Rodriguez

Aryan Singh

David Soto

Gulizi Terzioglu

Darsh Verma

Qi Xu

Vivian Xu

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