

July 17, 2023 - Announcements

1. PODS

Please let me know if you have a Pod Group Preference. You must be in the same pod as your roommate. Pods are formed only for the purpose of hotel check-in, check-outs and making sure everyone is on the bus. We will have two busses and you must be on the same bus as the rest of your pod. If you don't express a preference to me, I can assign you into pods. I have so far heard from just over half the group.

2. Name Tags

If you have lost your name tag, or if you would prefer a pin style instead of magnetic (or vice-versa) you can go directly to Bastion Trophies and order yourself a new one. They have the logo on file. A replacement name tag is not paid by the choir, so you will need to pay out of pocket (11.50 +tax) approx. Emailing them works well:

info@bastiontrophies.com

250-756-4151

Hours: Mon-Th 8 am -5 pm and Fri 8 am -6 pm

1934 Northfield Rd. Nanaimo, BC V9S 3B5

3. Emails from MCMARTS /Culture Path (from Jane, John or Dean)

Please respond promptly to their emails. One came out today requesting payment for the within Europe flights that have been booked for us.

4. No Rehearsal July 24, July 27 or July 29

Trish and Sarah Lynne are directing/leading sessions at the WCAMS (West Coast Amateur Musicians Society) at Trinity Western University
Trish – Choral SATB and Youth Choir, body awareness for musicians, and more

Sarah-Lynne - Musical Theatre and youth activities

5. Sharing of Travel plans

If you want your plans shared, please send them to me, with **explicit approval** to have your email address shared with others.

Also, if you are struggling with figuring out your flights etc, you may want to use the travel agent that Jane and John from Culture Path suggested:

Elisa Lai
Keynote Travel
+1 403 710 3313

Note: Elisa was out of office for a short time, so some people didn't hear back from her promptly. Things should be moving smoothly now

6. Attire for Italy

Formal Concert Attire

Men – Black pants, black shoes and socks, long sleeve shirt (sleeves sometimes rolled up) and red tie

Women – Black pants (or skirt with black hose), black top (3/4 sleeve), red accents (jewelry, scarf)

Here are links to womens' blouses and scarf on amazon.

https://www.amazon.ca/dp/B077XZ76J8/?coliid=I2LOAATSB7N70J&colid=2F7A87MLXSUR8&psc=1&ref=cm_sw_r_cp_ud_lstpd_1T1SG827CCN26EZDRFZN

https://www.amazon.ca/dp/B0C9XVY41J/?coliid=I2NB5JWOKNTPE8&colid=2F7A87MLXSUR8&psc=0&ref=cm_sw_r_cp_ud_lstpd_1T1SG827CCN26EZDRFZN

https://www.amazon.ca/dp/B0BV2683CJ/?coliid=IPDL7Z2ZBKQQW&colid=2F7A87MLXSUR8&psc=1&ref=cm_sw_r_cp_ud_lstpd_1T1SG827CCN26EZDRFZN

Travel Attire

VIC T-shirts. These shirts will be ordered in the fall or early winter. They are worn during traveling times with casual bottoms... your choice of colour, length and footwear.

There will be a cost per person for the shirts – quotes are not yet in, but the last order I placed cost approximately 40.00 each. Prices have been increasing each year. If after the choir's expenses are covered (Music, Hall rental, Insurance, etc) there are funds left, we will subsidize the shirts slightly.

In addition to the mandatory shirt, there are optional things you can purchase – hoodies, jackets, bags.

More info to come on this in the fall.