

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Take note of these important 2020 dates. Changes will be made as new information is received.

- December 2** Music Committee Meeting (5:30 p.m.)
- December 9** Executive Meeting (5:30 p.m.)
- December 16** Zoom Holiday Party (7:00 p.m.)

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PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE

Please send any information for publication to Krista by **Saturday noon** at:
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Thanks,
Krista ☺

PERMANENT ZOOM REHEARSAL LINK

Join our online Zoom rehearsals every Wednesday with this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84457343549?pwd=ZGJmeUIJTl5Nnp1Ly9sNGQxYkxPUT09>

Meeting ID: 844 5734 3549
Password: 974496

CHORUS REHEARSAL PLANS AND UPDATE

From Paul Bullock

If you missed the debut of our audio track for Merry Christmas Darling, it's on the members only section of our web page alongside the other tracks for the song (thanks Chris). Les did a fantastic job of compiling our separate audio tracks (thanks again Les). Please have a listen to it and, if you haven't completed your video, you can use our new audio track playing in the background to sing along. Remember Sherrie's suggestion to bring a feeling of warmth and love to the song. We played some excellent examples last Wednesday that Larry Hunter found for us of how championship quartets use facial expression in their singing. If you want to review those, the links are below.

<https://youtu.be/HsALqGxkieg>

<https://youtu.be/cVUTIF-RfPc>

We are hoping that all of the videos will be completed and sent to section leaders by next Wednesday. This would provide some time to get them compiled and for Brian, Krista and Larry Bredesen to work with the videographer on the visual presentation. Hopefully, it all comes together for December 16 because that is the evening we'll hold our zoom Christmas party. There's more information about the party in this week's newsletter. It would be wonderful to debut our completed video for that event.

It looks like we are facing a difficult winter, so we can be thankful that we have a safe venue for a bit of enjoyment and camaraderie. Keep singing and be sure to log in on Wednesday evening.

RCS VIRTUAL CHORUS RECORDING SCHEDULE

From Paul Bullock

Record a video of "**Merry Christmas Darling**". No headphones or ear buds required.

Note, attire is a solid-colored black or white shirt with a predominantly red accessory i.e. scarf or tie.

Deadline: November 25.

THE HARMONY UNIVERSITY WARM-UP SERIES

Shared by Gordon Billows

<https://www.barbershop.org/the-harmony-university-warm-up-series-donny-rose-youtube>

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE - NOVEMBER 25, 2020

VIRTUAL SINGING WEEK 23

From Duncan Zaluski

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE: ALL OF YOUR NEW MUSIC,
CURRENT REPERTOIRE & BARBERPOLECAT SONGBOOK**

- 6:55 – 7:05 Login and greetings
- 7:05 – 7:20 Warmup
- 7:25 – 7:40 Everybody's Waiting for the Man with the Bag
- 7:45 – 8:00 Silent Night
Angels We Have Heard On High
- 8:05 – 8:15 Business Meeting
- 8:20 – 8:35 Tag ▼ That one down there



2. Lonely For You Am I

Musical score for the song "Lonely For You Am I". The score is written on two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (Bb and Eb) and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is simple and repetitive. Below the staves, the lyrics are written: "Lone-ly, so lone - ly for you_ am I_ lone-ly for you_ am I_".

- 8:40 – 8:50 Directors Choice/Repertoire Review
Stand By Me
- 8:55 Final Song

Current Show Repertoire:

Blue Moon(s)
Can You Feel the Love Tonight?
Daydream
Harmony Collage
I'm Feeling Fine
Irish Blessing
Shenandoah
Under the Boardwalk



Bridge over Troubled Water
Can't Help Falling In Love
Dream Lover
Hello Mary Lou
Imagine
O Canada
Stand By Me
When I'm 64

CHRISTMAS ZOOM ON DECEMBER 16

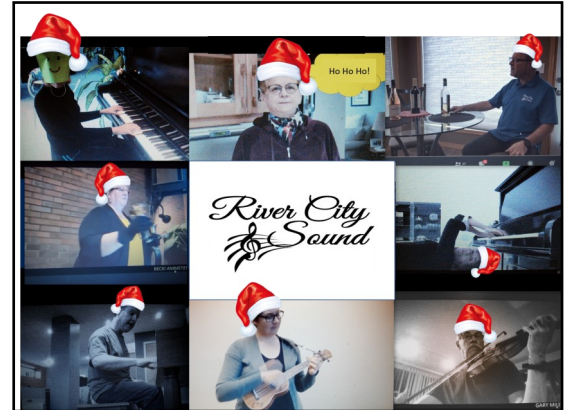
Send us your best shots!

From Paul Bullock

As you know, we had so much fun at our virtual BOTY, that we're planning another Zoom gathering for Christmas on Wednesday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m. This will be in place of our regular Wednesday evening rehearsal. Ricki and Wendy already have ideas taking shape for the evening. You can expect to partake in activities, enjoy lots of entertainment and to do some singing. Significant others, friends and alumni are all welcome to attend.

The 30-second talent videos at the BOTY were lots of fun. So, you are, again, invited to create a short Christmas-themed video showcasing your unique talent to contribute to the evening. Please send your video to rickimiles@shaw.ca by December 9.

How are you doing with your home Christmas decorations this year or has it just been too disheartening to get going? Wendy may have a solution. Let's have a Virtual Home for the Holidays decoration showcase. Perhaps you would like to kick things up a notch and create something really special. Send us your short video tour highlighting your holiday home decorations. If there was ever a year to go all out, this is it. Really jazz up your place (either outdoors or indoors), then choreograph and narrate your short video and send it in by December 9 to rickimiles@shaw.ca.



You can dress up for this event as formally or informally as you would like. Do you have an absolutely ugly Christmas sweater that you never wear? December 16th is your chance! At long last we will find the answer to the intriguing question of who in our chorus has the ugliest sweater. Please join us on Zoom to find out.

In a year filled with less than happy news, we have another opportunity to share in some fun. Let's make this another special occasion to help us all go into the Christmas seasons in high spirits and full of . . . (um) cheer! HoHoHo

WANTED

WE CAN'T SPELL _PDATE WITHOUT "U"!

Thanks to the following WGC members for sharing their 2020 updates to their original "Getting to Know You" stories:

**Larry Bredesen
Bernie Gunn
Chris Magas
Gary Miles**

**Paul Bullock
John Latham
Brian Metcalfe
Bruce Wilton**

**Would those members who
plan to provide "updates",
do so ASAP! Thank You :-)**

WINNIPEG CHAPTER HISTORICAL DISPLAY

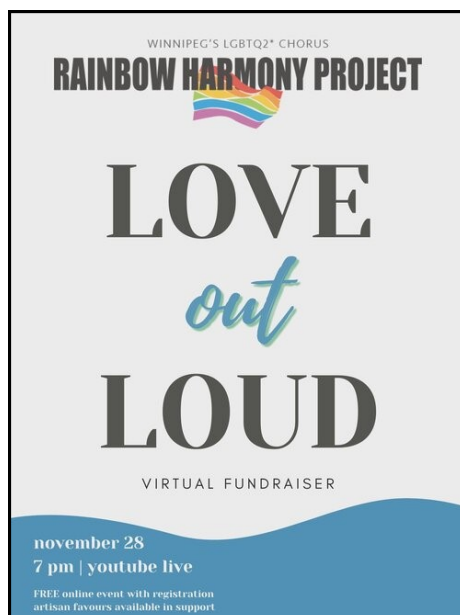
From Gordon Billows - Chapter Historian

Setting the mood for the 70th Anniversary production! This collection of Wpg Historical items was displayed in the church foyer at our 2018 70th Anniversary Spring show. Before the show began, our patrons were entertained with a power point production featuring the show program covers from 1948 to 2018. An appropriate selection of chorus songs softly played in the background.



RAINBOW HARMONY PROJECT - LOVE OUT LOUD CONCERT

Shared by Krista Hanis-Gervais



In the spirit of Barbershop Harmony Society's Everyone In Harmony celebration of diversity within the singing community, I share this upcoming concert by Winnipeg's Rainbow Harmony Project on November 28th at 7:00 pm.

Rainbow Harmony Project is a choir of LGBTQ2* community members and allies dedicated to building relationships and expressing and celebrating their diverse identities and experiences through the power of song.

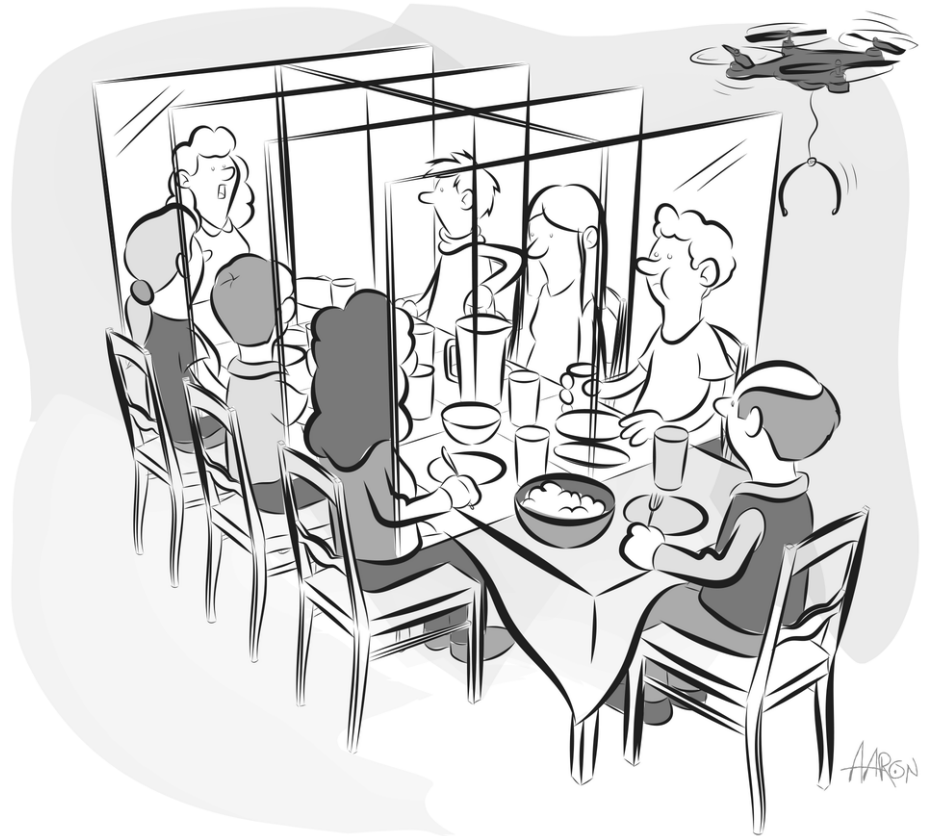
<https://www.rainbowharmonyproject.ca/love-out-loud-2020>

TO BRIGHTEN YOUR SPIRITS DURING THESE TRYING TIMES

Shared by Ricki Miles and Krista Hanis-Gervais

To the tune of Simon and Garfunkel's "Fifty Ways To Leave Your Lover"

Stay away from the pack, Jack
Don't visit your Gran, Stan
Wipe down every toy, Roy
To keep virus-free
Don't hop on the bus, Gus
Don't listen to Don, Ron
Don't hoard the TP, Lee
Just stay virus free
Sneeze into your sleeve, Steve
Stop touching your face, Grace
Keep back to six feet, Pete
Heed the CDC
Just use the Purell, Mel
Keep wipes in your purse, Nurse
Take care of your stock, Doc
You need PPE
This isn't Spring Break, Jake
Stay home if you're sick, Dick
As COVID leaps, peeps
Just follow the rules, fools
And stay virus free!!



"Can you please drone me the mashed potatoes?"

Shared by Norm Silverberg



Nessun Dorma...alla Corona— opera by Daniel Emmet

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uL52AuF4QzY>



IMPORTANT DATES 4 U - NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2020

Meetings, Rehearsals, Holidays and River City Sound Member Birthdays

~ November 2020 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 <i>Happy Birthday Gerry Fontaine</i> Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	5	6 <i>Happy Birthday Art Gross</i>	7
8	9	10	11 <i>Remembrance Day</i> MCD audio recording due 2020 & 2021 Joint Executive Meeting (5:30) Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	12	13	14
15	16	17 <i>Happy Birthday Wendy Lamont</i>	18 Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 MCD video recording due Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	26	27 <i>Happy Birthday Elaine Salter</i>	28
29	30					

~ December 2020 ~

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		1	2 Music Committee Meeting (5:30) Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Executive Meeting (5:30) Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	10 <i>Hanukkah begins at sunset</i>	11	12
13	14	15	16 Zoom Holiday Party (7:00)	17	18 <i>Hanukkah ends at sunset</i>	19
20	21	22	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26 <i>Boxing Day Happy Birthday Ferryl Casselman</i>
27	28	29	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>		

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Notes 4 U

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www.rivercitysound.ca

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2020 Chapter Executive

President: Paul Bullock
Executive VP: vacant
Past President: Bruce Wilton
VP Membership & Chapter Development: Larry Bredesen
VP Music & Performance: Duncan Zaluski
VP Marketing & Public Relations: Drummond Brown
Secretary: Charles Siegel
Treasurer: Bruce Wilton
Chorus Manager: Chris Magas

Board Members at Large

Ken Broadfoot, Les Creek, Shirley Christie, Gayle Whar-ton, Henry Graham

2020 Music Committee

VP Music & Performance: Duncan Zaluski
Co-Directors: Sherrie Bredesen & Larry Hunter
Assistant Director: vacant
Tenor Section: Duncan Zaluski
Lead Section: Chris Magas
Bass Section: Larry Bredesen, Bruce Wilton
Baritone Section: Paul Bullock, John Latham

2020 Leadership Positions

Accountant: Gary Miles
Attendance & 50/50: Norm Silverberg
Awards Banquet Chairs: Gary & Ricki Miles
Charities: vacant
Church Xmas Chorus: Bruce Wilton
Learn To Sing Program: Les Creek, Len Paluck, Paul Rondeau
Grey Cup Pool Chair: Ken Broadfoot
Historian: Gordon Billows
Music Librarian: Wendy Lamont
Notes 4 U Editor: Krista Hanis-Gervais
Program Director: Duncan Zaluski
Refreshments: Norm Silverberg, John Latham, Len Paluck
Sing Canada Harmony: Gordon Billows
Sunshine: Brian Metcalfe
Wardrobe: Les Creek, Charlie Siegel, Louise Malo
Website: Chris Magas
Youth Outreach: Drummond Brown
2021 Show Producer: Les Creek
2021 Show Chairman: vacant
Chapter Advocate for the Winnipeg Chapter: Gordon Billows