

NSCS Safe Singing Community Contract

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The NSCS Safe Singing Task Force wishes to propose the following recommendations for the 2022-2023 season, for board adoption (this plan is subject to change based on local COVID rates):

We propose to resume weekly, masked, in-person rehearsals at St. Lambert in September, culminating in concert performances throughout the season.

We are carefully considering rehearsal and concert venues that allow us to make the safest decisions, following industry best practices.

Rehearsals will also be available synchronously via Zoom and will be posted on the NSCS website. This provides a participation option for those who do not yet wish to sing in person or those who must be absent.

Members will wear N95 or logo singers' masks, as directed, during our rehearsals and performances until the Board or NSCS Safe Singing Task Force, in consultation with the Music Director, determine they are no longer necessary. Rehearsal seating will be safely spaced.

We ask that members who have tested positive for COVID stay home from rehearsal and inform their section leader that they are positive. Singers may return to in-person rehearsals only after improvement of symptoms and completion of a 5-day isolation period. If a singer has an illness with COVID-like symptoms (such as allergies) but test negative, they can return to rehearsal upon the improvement of symptoms.

My signature below indicates understanding and agreement with this contract.

*** Members must be fully vaccinated, including all boosters for which the singer is eligible. This includes new COVID vaccines as they become available, and as a person becomes eligible.**

***Members will wear KN95/N95 masks at all rehearsals until the Safe Singing Task Force updates protocol.**

***Members agree to stay home if ill and to disclose COVID status to their section leader (to aid in contact tracing).**

NSCS wishes membership to understand that singing together, while quite safe, still poses a low risk. While the NSCS will do its best to maintain a safe space for all singers, it is not liable if a singer were to become ill with COVID.

Printed Name

Signature

Date