



Information Sheet for Adult Choir Campers

Registration

Registration begins at **6:00 p.m. on Monday evening, August 22**, and our first rehearsal is at 7:00 pm. Please be on time – especially if you require accommodations. If you are unable to arrive at that time please let us know so we can make any necessary arrangements. Those of you requiring accommodations will be assigned your room at registration. You will also receive your music at registration.

Accommodations

The accommodations provided are rustic but comfortable. You are welcome to bring things to camp that will make your stay more comfortable. On page 2 you will find a list of suggestions.

All residential campers need to provide their own bedding, blankets, pillows, towels and toiletries. Beds in the dormitories - single rooms - are 3/4 beds (larger than single/smaller than double). Toilets are at the end of the hall and the showers are housed separately - directly behind the dormitory.

Please don't hesitate to talk to the Camp Director about your accommodation before or during camp. We want to make you as comfortable as possible.

Special Diets

We can only do so much to accommodate special diets for campers who would like to dine with us. If you have extraordinary dietary needs it is your responsibility to provide/prepare foods as needed. We will do our best to be accommodating.

Workshops!

Back by popular demand, we are bringing back our **Tai Chi** instructor for the early morning physical warm up! ☺ What a brilliant way to focus your mind and body for the day and to try out something new!

Also, there will be **musicianship** time, where campers will be divided into ability groups – those who are newer to choral singing who want to improve reading skills and score knowledge etc. will be in one group, and those more experienced singers looking for a challenge will be in another.

Voice lessons will again be offered by at least four of our music staff – these were hugely popular last year and we are pleased to have more time slots than ever before.

In the afternoon free time there will also be a **non-musical fun workshop** to take part in. For example, Tim will be teaching some fun **cooking** classes! Learn some great new recipes and cook dessert for the campers!

Social Activities

Once again we will set up a games room for informal evening activities. The dining room is always open in the evening and access to the kitchen is allowed as long as campers clean up after themselves. A fridge will be designated for fresh fruit, juice and leftover/snacks. Planned activities for the week include:

- Monday: Wine and Cheese (location TBC)
- Tuesday: Willi Zwofdesky will do a presentation on Choral Blend and Intonation – a topic that is really useful for all of us. I'm sure we'll pick up a few handy hints to help in our own choirs at home for sure!
- Wednesday: night a special performance will take place
- Thursday: free evening to relax or prepare for "Hollywood"!
- "Hollywood" is on Friday evening. Talent night is for everyone - campers and music staff. So bring along your sheet music, instruments, and costumes.

What else do I bring?

Make yourself comfortable. The dress for the week is very casual. Here is a list of the basic things you might want to bring with you, to make your camp experience a little more urbane!

Adult Choir Camp Basic "Kit" List

1. Reading lamp and flashlight
2. Good book, reading material
3. Extension cord
4. Bedding (duvet, sheets, and pillow) or sleeping bag
5. Extra Blanket
6. Towel and other toiletries
7. A warm sweat shirt or jacket
8. Umbrella and/or rain gear
9. Comfortable shoes
10. Seat cushion ("Obus Form" if you use one) for chairs in the pavilion
11. Bug repellent
12. Tuck money for Bearwick and Instant Garden
13. Idea for Wednesday's "talent" night – sheet music, dramatic reading etc.
- 14. Water bottle**
15. Pencil
16. Electric Blanket

Saturday Concert – 2:00pm

Concert dress is more formal - dress, skirt/slacks and blouse for women and dress pants/shorts and shirt for men. The concert is open to the public. You are welcome, even encouraged, to **invite friends and family** to attend.

A few other tidbits...

You are welcome and encouraged to join in all camp activities especially the evening activities. Please do remember that the camp becomes very much like a community and you will become a part of that community.

For fire and safety concerns please let the Camp Director know when you are going off site. There will be a sign in/out sheet provided. The Camp Director must also be informed of any expected visitors before their arrival. If you see a stranger on the grounds of camp, please inform the Director immediately.

Fees are due on July 15th unless you have made other arrangements. The **campground is alcohol free**. There is a designated smoking area near the front gate. **ACC is a scent free experience** - avoid using scented hair products etc. for the benefit of fellow singers.

Get ready for a great week! See you August 22nd!

Other Information

Mail can be sent to you during camp c/o:
Adult Choir Camp
Berwick United Church Camp
General Delivery
Berwick, NS B0P 1E0

Camp Phone Numbers:
902-538-9380 (Voice Mail)
902-538-7258 (Kitchen)

Messages may also be left at the Nova Scotia Choral Federation: Toll Free 888-672-3969 number is available for the (902) area code .