

In about a month, we will be gathering for our pre-tour rehearsal camp at the University of Louisville. The entire staff is excited about the musical and cultural experiences that await us!

Rehearsal Camp

Our rehearsal camp will run from June 25 - 29, culminating with Bon Voyage Concerts for each of the ensembles in Comstock Concert Hall at the University of Louisville School of Music. A PDF of the entire rehearsal camp schedule is attached. During the camp there will be light to moderate walking from residence halls to the rehearsal sites and dining hall so bring appropriate footwear. Also be prepared in case there is a rainy day.

Camp Rooming

Those of you who attended our Kentucky Musicians Abroad Day had the opportunity to sign up for a rehearsal camp roommate. Since then, some of you who were not in attendance have been in touch to request a particular roommate. If you have not done so, we will pair you appropriately.

Repertoire

Orchestra and Choir musicians who attended Kentucky Musicians Abroad Day received much of the music that will be performed on tour. Additional selections may be added during rehearsal camp. If you did not attend KMA Day, please email Dr. Kent Hatteberg (choir - kent.hatteberg@louisville.edu) or Mr. Frederick C. Speck (orchestra - frederick.speck@jefferson.kyschools.us) so that music can be sent to you.

Band musicians have been assigned to one of three concert bands of equal ability and numbers. These ensembles are known as Red Band, White Band and Blue Band. The repertoire is different for each group with the exception of My Old Kentucky Home and Stars and Stripes Forever which are performed as a massed band at the end of each concert.

Repertoire packets were mailed to each band musician's postal mailing address on May 19, 2023. If it has not arrived by May 24, please contact Dr. Frederick Speck (frederick.speck@louisville.edu) to obtain replacements.

Travel Reminders

Remember that when you come to rehearsal camp you will not be returning home until July 15, at the end of the tour. Helpful hints for rehearsal camp, packing and travel are shared in an attached PDF.

Optional College Credit

Those of you who attended our Kentucky Musicians Abroad Day were able to get information about the enrollment procedure for earning college credit for performing in Choir, Orchestra or Concert Band. If you have questions about the process or need a copy of the instructions to enroll you may contact Rachel McCrorey (rachel.mccrorey@louisville.edu). The deadline for enrollment is June 5, 2023.

Non-performing Adult and Sibling Travelers

Non-performing adult and sibling travelers were recently sent an informational letter about travel planning along with a camp schedule for informational purposes, an optional apparel order form and a campus map. If you did not receive this at your home mailing address, contact Dr. Hatteberg if you are associated with the choir or Dr. Speck if you are associated with the concert bands or orchestra.

Coach Travel to and from Domestic Airports for Non-performing Adult and Sibling Travelers

This year there will be no additional fee for non-performing adult and sibling coach travel to and from our domestic airports. The point of origination and return will be the University of Louisville campus. We are very grateful to Music Travel Consultants!

Music and travel have the potential to inspire and elevate, to build relationships that last a lifetime, to develop maturity and confidence and to trigger expectation and a spirit of adventure.

Sincerely,



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