

Dear SEMMEA Junior Chorus Members,

Congratulations on your acceptance to this year's Jr. Chorus! You did an outstanding job preparing and recording the audition piece, and we are thrilled with your high level of musicianship and your commitment to making music. During this unusual year, it is especially important that we come together to have a positive musical experience, and we are so glad that you will be joining us for the virtual festival.

Although this year's virtual festival will look very different from a typical festival, we know that you will still have a fabulous time together. We are so excited to present an interactive workshop on A CAPPELLA MUSIC for you. We know that many of you are interested in a cappella music but might not know how to do it -- this is our chance!

Our clinician, Caleb Wheldon, has sung with two professional a cappella groups, toured the country, and performed for the NFL! We are thrilled to have him and his expertise as part of our festival. During the workshop, you will learn the basics of a cappella music, experiment with how to use your voice as a substitute for instruments, and create vocal percussion sounds. At the end of the session, you will make a short music video of a section of an a cappella song to be mixed together into a final product that you will get to hear afterwards.

The workshop will take place on Saturday, March 13 at 12 noon and will last about one hour. We expect that everybody who was accepted to this year's chorus will attend. If you cannot attend for some reason, you must email one of the managers as soon as possible. Please bring headphones to the workshop.

Please fill out [this form](#) with your contact information so that we can send the workshop Zoom information directly to you. We will send that out the week before the festival, along with any additional details we need to share.

You are incredible musicians, and we can't wait to "see" you in March! Feel free to reach out via email with any questions you may have.

Stay well,

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