California Honor Choirs

A collaborative effort of CCDA, SCVA, and CASMEC

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HS CENTRAL/COASTAL/SOUTHERN REGIONAL HONOR CHOIR AUDITION (100 points)

We recommend that teachers/directors review each of these skills with their auditionees so that they are well prepared. CLICK HERE to view the audition score rubric.

- **SOLO (40 points)**
  - **SOLO OPTION 1:** Prepare one of the following Italian art songs from the to be sung from memory:
    - Alma del core, Caldara (Ed. John Glenn Paton)
    - Che fiero costume, Legrenzi (Ed. John Glenn Paton)
    - Se nel ben, Stradella
  - The auditionee will sing the song once through with no repeats or da capo. Each auditionee will sing with the provided recording in various keys and the key selected for the solo should be appropriate for the auditionee's voice part (Soprano/Tenor-Med High; Alto/Bass-Med Low)
  - These accompaniment tracks must be used for rehearsal and audition

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- **SOLO OPTION 2:** Prepare the prescribed excerpt: measures 52-end from *Sing unto God* by G.F. Handel for your voice part, to be sung from memory.

  CLICK HERE for the sheet music for all voice parts.

  CLICK HERE for a recording of the Balanced Voice Excerpt..

These learning tracks are for **rehearsal purposes only**. (Do **not** use these to accompany your audition.)

Soprano Learning Track **Alto** Learning Track **Tenor** Learning Track **Bass** Learning Track

This accompaniment track should be used for rehearsal and audition:

ACCOMPANIMENT TRACK

(2 bar intro with vocals and then they drop out)

- **SCALES/TRIADS (15 points):** Sing the following, ascending and descending: major scale, major triad, minor triad, and chromatic scale, sung on any syllable.
- **TONAL MEMORY (25 points):** Five-note passages will be played on a recording for the auditionee to repeat, sung on any syllable. CLICK HERE for past tonal memory examples.
- **SIGHT-READING (20 points):** A single-line, unaccompanied melody will be supplied, sung on any syllable. CLICK HERE for details, including past sight reading examples.

Students who have participated in a regional high school honor choir and have indicated that they wish to be considered for All-State Honor Choir will have their audition scores assessed for participation in the All-State Honor Choirs. Visit the Central and Coastal Honor Choir website for detailed audition information and instructions.