



NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY CHORUS  
AKA NOVA COMMUNITY CHORUS

## TIPS FOR NEW MEMBERS

### Rehearsals

Tuesday nights  
7:30 –10:00 pm  
Fall & Spring semesters

Directed by  
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### Section Leaders:

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### **Welcome!**

NOVA Community Chorus is an eighty-voice ensemble combining singers from the NVCC Music Program and the surrounding community. The group performs regularly at the Schlesinger Center with the Alexandria Campus Band, the Alexandria Symphony, and the Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic. The repertoire is varied, singing everything from Bach to Bernstein, madrigals to contemporary. For over 20 years, it is a great way to experience great music.

### Rehearsal Tips

- Sheet music may be acquired from the campus bookstore.
- For class / rehearsal, bring sheet music, pencil(s) with eraser, and water.
- Be on time. There will be a brief warm-up at the beginning of class.
- Upon arrival to the class, please sign in on the appropriate section sheet.
- If you are new, please provide your telephone number and e-mail address. These are used to distribute important information to chorus members. Most announcements are sent via e-mail.
- Please do not talk during rehearsal. If you have difficulty with something, quietly ask your section leader or an experienced singer to help you. The section leader will ask the director for help if he or she cannot resolve your problem.
- Watch the director and mark your music.
- Please refrain from wearing scented products, including perfumes, some hair sprays, etc. Also be mindful of oral hygiene.
- “Note Learning” and professional recordings may be available through the class. The cost is \$5.00 per CD, cash or check.



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Official Site:  
[www.nvcc.edu/novachorus/](http://www.nvcc.edu/novachorus/)

Yahoo Group  
Mailing List:  
[groups.yahoo.com/group/NOVACHorus/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/NOVACHorus/)  
(Yahoo login may be required)

Unofficial Site:  
[www.novachorus.org](http://www.novachorus.org)

### Section Leaders

Each section has an assigned leader to assist members with questions and concerns. They are also responsible for recording attendance and being accountable for members missing from rehearsal. He/she is responsible for emergency notifications to their section, such as schedule changes or building closures. Notify your section head promptly if your information changes. If you must miss a rehearsal, please let your section head know in advance by e-mail or telephone call. If you have any questions, please contact your section leader.

### Attendance

- Additional optional rehearsals may be scheduled.
- Attendance at dress rehearsals is required.
- If a singer misses more than two rehearsals for a particular performance, they will be asked to audition to demonstrate preparedness.

### Parking

It is recommended that singers acquire semester parking permits. Not only will this cover parking costs for regular classes, but also for any extra rehearsals, dress rehearsals and NVCC event / concert parking. Permits may be acquired online at: <http://parking.nvcc.edu>  
In addition to the web site, permits can be purchased in the parking offices of all six campuses.

Black music folders can be found locally or online:

Foxes Music; 416 S. Washington St; Falls Church, VA 22046; (703) 533-7393

Online: <http://www.musicfolder.com>