



AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR

Brisbane Camerata Senior Commitments 2024

Commitment

In order for the choir to continue to reach, and surpass, the high standard of performance and presentation that we have attained, choristers in our senior levels must understand that choir commitments come directly after compulsory school engagements. We understand that busy and talented young women of the calibre of our senior choristers will always have many other interests, such as dance, instrumental lessons, or sporting commitments. It is important to establish an order of priorities. We expect 100% attendance at weekly rehearsals and other choir events and many choristers nationally achieve this. The minimum attendance rate that we are prepared to accept is 80%.

Rehearsal Times and Venue

Camerata rehearse at Brisbane Boys' College in Toowong on Thursday evenings from 6.30 – 9.00pm. We understand that for many choristers the location of this rehearsal venue will result in many kilometres and extra travel time each week. We believe that carpooling arrangements can help facilitate choristers travelling great distances in order to participate in these rehearsals. Rehearsals commence **Thursday February 1, 2024**.

Camerata 2024 Fees

The Camerata annual fees for 2024 are \$2,175. This fee incorporates participation in weekly classes; all extra combined rehearsals; the compulsory Music School; the provision of a costume top for choir concerts and engagements; a costume bag and the loan of original notated sheet music.

Camerata Music School

Please block out this weekend. The Camerata Music School is a compulsory commitment. Choristers who do not attend this rehearsal will need to discuss the impact this has on their involvement in choreography participation for AGC concerts.

Saturday March 16, 2024 – 9am – 5pm

Sunday March 17, 2024 – 9am – 3pm

Extra Rehearsal Days

To prepare for engagements and concerts we will be holding four compulsory rehearsal days for Camerata throughout the year. Full attendance is expected. Dates and times will be confirmed early next year. Choristers unable to attend will need to discuss the impact this has on their involvement in engagements and choreography items at concerts.

Full day weekend rehearsals:

Senior Rehearsal Day #1 – Sunday February 25

AGC in Concert Production Rehearsal – Early August

Senior Rehearsal Day #2 – Held in early September

Annual Concert Production Rehearsal – Held in October

Costume and Uniform

The weekly rehearsal uniform for Camerata consists of AGC dance pants, AGC t-shirt and a magenta polar fleece. The Camerata costume consists of black costume pants, a costume top, an AGC black senior performance t-shirt and black jazz shoes.

It will be necessary for all new Camerata choristers to purchase an AGC Backpack which currently costs \$38, black costume pants which currently cost \$50 and a black senior performance t-shirt which currently costs \$20, at the beginning of 2024.

Provision of the costume top is included in 2024 fees; costume tops will be on loan and need to be returned when girls leave the choir.

Camerata Extension Activities

Leadership Positions

Early next year Tutors will select girls for the roles of Camerata Leaders, Dance Leader, Section Leaders and goz Ambassadors.

Camerata Dance Group – Danzare

All Camerata choristers may audition for Danzare at the beginning of 2024. Positions in Danzare only become available when girls leave Camerata. Rehearsals will take place between 5.45 – 6.30pm each Thursday evening and a fee of \$560 per year applies.

Australian Girls Choir Concerts

Choristers in the senior levels are expected to participate in all Australian Girls Choir concerts throughout the year including the associated rehearsals – the Winter Showcase Concerts (June), AGC in Concert (August) and the Annual Concerts (November). Confirmed dates will be provided early next year. Should you be unable to attend one of the concerts, we ask that you please contact our office to discuss this.

Public Engagements

We are invited to participate in a number of public engagements throughout the year and this requires a high level of commitment from girls and parents. On some occasions event organisers provide transport to and from the event, however for most engagements it is the responsibility of parents to organise their daughter's transport. The decision to participate in public engagements is at each parent's discretion; we encourage girls to make themselves available for public engagements unless there is a compulsory school event or family commitment that prevents this happening.