



2010 NJMEA ALL-STATE OPERA FESTIVAL

Francesca P. Kubian, Festival Chair

Solo/Ensemble Auditions: (no costumes) Fri., Oct. 15, 2010, 3:30 PM

Festival Date: Sat., Oct. 30, 2010, 9:00 AM, Concert at 3:00 PM

Audition and Festival Site:

Paramus High School, East 99 Century Road, Paramus, NJ 07652

The NJMEA Opera Festival provides a unique opportunity for the most talented students in your chorus to perform opera literature, receive a critique, and attend a clinic and workshop. An aria from any opera is acceptable. To be considered for performance on the Festival day, soloists and ensembles must audition on the separate audition day. The term "ensemble" is used to designate any group other than a solo, e.g., duet, trio, and so on. A student can attend only the clinic and workshop on the day of the Festival and not perform a solo or in an ensemble selection, and therefore does not have to audition. We do require all students to sing in a chorus performance on the Festival day. The audition also serves as a competition for the designation of recipients for The Governor's Award, Best Male and Female Soloists, and Best Ensemble. The chorus will sing two selections, the titles of which will be sent out via e-mail to sponsoring directors upon receipt of applications. Judging results (scores) and those accepted to perform on the Festival day will also be e-mailed to directors. Teachers, please prepare your students for the chorus numbers as time is limited on the Festival day. Concert dress is semi-formal or in character costume, your choice.

Audition/Participation Fee is \$20.00 per student. Each participating student must fill out an application. Any voicing and any number of students may register. Directors, send all applications with ONE check payable to the NJMEA and enclose a copy of your current MENC Membership Card postmarked by Tuesday, October 5, 2010 to Michael Kallimanis, All-State Opera Festival Audition Chair, Waldwick HS/MS, 155 Wyckoff Avenue, Waldwick, NJ 07463. After Oct. 5, applications will not be accepted. Sponsoring directors need not attend the audition but must be present the entire time on the Festival day to assist with events.

More info, e-mail only - MrKOrchAuditions@aol.com. Cell phone for emergencies on Oct.15 or 30 **only**: 201-370-0423.

STUDENT INFORMATION: (Please print neatly, use ball-point pen only).

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ TOWN/(STATE)/ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

GRADE (Circle one) 9 10 11 12 CHORUS VOICE PART _____

Check all that apply: Solo (audition required) _____ Ensemble (audition required) _____ Chorus _____

Write the aria/ensemble selection, opera name and composer on the back of this application.

A professional accompanist is available for \$25.00 cash for each day of service, to be given directly to the accompanist. (DO NOT SEND THIS FEE IN WITH YOUR APPLICATION)

Check here if you will need a professional accompanist: _____ **BE SURE TO BRING YOUR MUSIC!**

CHORAL DIRECTOR INFORMATION:

FIRST _____ LAST _____ MENC # _____

SCHOOL _____ E-MAIL _____

ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____ ZIP _____

SCHOOL PHONE _____ HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

CONTRACT ENDORSEMENTS:

I certify that I will accept the decision of the judges as binding and if selected, will memorize my music, (chorus music need not be memorized) and dress appropriately. I am aware that I must attend the entire Festival, Saturday, October 30, 2010.

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

As parent/guardian, I give permission for my child to apply to the 2010 NJMEA Opera Festival. I understand that the NJMEA does not assume responsibility for illness or accident. I further attest that I will assist my child with obligations related to this activity.

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

We endorse this applicant as an outstanding member of our school choral program. The director will attend the entire Festival day or provide an approved substitute who is also a MENC member.

SCHOOL DIRECTOR: _____ **DATE:** _____

PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____