

Pacific Edge Voices

Membership at a glance:

We are thrilled that you are interested in joining Pacific Edge Voices! Here is some information that is helpful to new and prospective members:

What is expected of you?

- We are looking for singers who are excited about a wide variety of music and enthusiastic to be part of a high-level and dedicated musical community
- We expect our singers to put in the time and bring their best work to the group
- We are a member-run group, so in addition to musical work, we expect members to volunteer in some other capacity. There are plenty of jobs that need doing and you can always find a corner where your unique skills are needed.

What is the time commitment?

- During our season (roughly September to June), we rehearse weekly on **Monday nights from 7:30 to 10:00**. Members are expected to be on time and attend all scheduled rehearsals.
- We self-produce 2-3 concert sets each season. We are also often hired to do additional gigs (either as the whole choir, or a sub-set therein) throughout the season. These events are announced with as much notice as possible.
- We have two singer retreats during the season: one day-long in the fall and one weekend in the spring. These are times where we do some concentrated work on music, attend to other choir business and spend time socializing with each other.
- In the spring when we work on our Jazz & Pop show, you may be asked to work with other singers in small groups outside of our regular Monday night rehearsals. How many groups you work with and how much extra time you put in is up to personal preference.
- It is expected that you will work on your music outside of rehearsal and come to each meeting prepared. The music director will let you know which pieces to prepare for each session.

What does it cost?

- Like in most community choirs, our members pay dues. For the 2016-2017 season, our dues are \$250 for the season.
- You will also be charged for your music. Music fees range from \$5-\$30 per set.
- Like all arts organizations, we seek funding in every avenue. Many of our members choose to give additional monetary contributions to the group, while others contribute services and in-kind donations. All of this is optional.

What do I get out of it?

- A chance be part of the most unique chorus in the Bay Area
- Musical growth in depth and scope, working on a wide variety of music in a range of venues
- An opportunity to work on new music, original arrangements, with composers and professional artists from all genres
- A wonderful musical community of talented and friendly people. We love what we do and we want you to join us!