



AMC Chorister Newsletter - September 5, 2023

***First Chorale Rehearsal: September 11 at 7:00 PM
All Saints' Episcopal Church, Phoenix***

Dear C. C.,

Some important information for you:

- AMC Choristers are invited to the Melisma Bootcamp
- The Chorister News and Information Page
- The 2023-2024 Concert Season calendar and highlights

**Season Rehearsals Begin September 11
7:00 to 9:00 PM in the Choir Room at
All Saints' Episcopal Church
6300 North Central Avenue, Phoenix**

- Regular Chorale rehearsals are on Monday evenings, per the season calendar on the Chorister News and Info Web Page (see below). A listing of pieces for each weekly rehearsal will be posted there.
- Volunteer Chorister dues of \$125 per season are due by September 30, payable in cash, by check to The Arizona Masterworks Chorale, or by Zelle to finance@arizonamasterworks.com. See AMC Treasurer Karla Allingham for details or questions.
- Hard copies of each concert's repertoire will be provided by AMC Music Librarian Cheryl Burton. The use of tablets is encouraged.
- Please initial your name on the weekly attendance list when you arrive at the rehearsal.

Save the Date:



Melisma Bootcamp

All AMC volunteer choristers are invited to attend a **Melisma Bootcamp** as guests of the Chorale, to be led by Dutch soprano and Arizona Bach Festival favorite Josefien Stoppelenburg.,

Saturday, September 23, 9:00 to 11:00 AM
St. Barnabas on the Desert Episcopal Church
6715 North Mockingbird Lane, Scottsdale

Course topics include:

Lighter sound – Articulating with the throat: “word painting”
Breathing for steady airflow and long phrases
Melisma mechanics – Musicality in Messiah – Baroque Bonus

AMC's 2023-2024 Concert Season

The Second Annual Messiah Sing-Along, plus three great AMC concerts with innovative new works, and several Arizona premieres.

[Click here for more info on dates, venues, and programs](#)



The Chorister News and Info Web Page

Chorister news and information are on the AMC website at <https://arizonamasterworks.com/amc-chorister-news/>

- Up-to-date season calendar, including all rehearsal dates, venues, and call times (subject to revision during the season - check regularly)
- Scott's marked-up PDF scores and by-voice MP3 rehearsal tracks for every piece.
- Chorister and Music Staff roster (password required)
- Chorister Newsletter Archive (password required)

2023 – 2024 Concert Season Calendar Highlights

(note new Monday rehearsal venue)

Rehearsals

- Regular Chorale ensemble rehearsals are from 7:00 to 9:00 PM in the choir room at **All Saints' Episcopal Church**, 6300 North Central Avenue, Phoenix 85013
- Messiah Orchestra Rehearsal Friday, November 11 at 7:00 PM, Ascension Lutheran Church, 7100 North Mockingbird Lane, Paradise Valley 85373
- AMC Concert final rehearsals: Fridays before the first performance, 7:00 PM at All Saints' Episcopal Church

Concerts – Dates, Venues, and Downbeats

- **The Arts at Ascension Messiah Sing-Along (MSA23)**
November 19 at 3:00 PM at Ascension Lutheran Church
- **AMC Christmas Concert: *In Terra Pax***
Saturday, December 9 at 7:30 PM – All Saints' Episcopal Church
Sunday, December 10 at 3:00 PM – Ascension Lutheran Church
- **AMC Winter Concert: *English Choral Music***
Saturday, February 10 at 7:30 PM – All Saints' Episcopal Church
Sunday, February 11 at 2:00 PM – Ascension Lutheran Church
- **AMC Spring Concert *Oceans***
Saturday, May 4 at 7:30 PM – All Saints' Episcopal Church
Sunday, May 5 at 3:00 PM – Ascension Lutheran Church

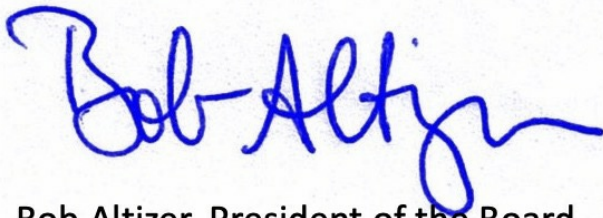
Music Staff News

Returning as members of the AMC Music Staff in the 2023-2024 season are music director **Scott Youngs**, collaborative pianist **Olga Gorelik**, music librarian **Cheryl Burton**, soprano section leader **Adrienne Goglia**, and alto section leader **Mackenzie Nelson**. Joining us this season are tenor section leaders **Elijah Frank** and **J.R. Momeyer**, and bass section leaders **Patrick West** and **Sague**

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**THANKS FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS IN MAKING AMC AN
OUTSTANDING MUSICAL ORGANIZATION!**

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bob Altizer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Bob Altizer, President of the Board
