Memphis Symphony Chorus COVID-19 Policy September 2022

The Memphis Symphony Chorus Board of Directors attempts to provide and maintain a safe place for Chorus members to rehearse and perform. The COVID-19 situation remains a fluid one, and therefore the Board continues to evaluate its policy regarding vaccinations and participation in the Chorus. In an effort to safeguard the health of our members, as well as other individuals who may sing with us, the Chorus will adhere to the following COVID-19 policy:

All Chorus members and individuals who audition for the Chorus are strongly encouraged to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 (i.e., to receive the first two shots of either Pfizer or Moderna or a single dose of J&J) and to receive COVID-19 boosters (including an Omicron-specific booster) when eligible. Signature on this form constitutes acknowledgement of this recommendation and recognition that not being fully vaccinated could increase one's vulnerability to severe disease.

Participating in the Chorus has the potential for greater risk of exposure to COVID-19 than other activities experienced by the general public. These inherent risks require all Chorus members to have a heightened sense of responsibility and to be diligent regarding known risks that could increase exposure to the Chorus. The Board recognizes there are inherent risks for singers, even those who are vaccinated. The Board also understands that there are a variety of reasons why one may not be able to or may choose not to take the vaccine. The Board respects one's choice to not take the vaccine or be boosted, but strongly recommends doing so to ensure Chorus members are doing everything they can to minimize risk of exposure during a rehearsal or a performance.

By signing below, I acknowledge I have been strongly encouraged to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 (i.e., two doses of either Pfizer or Moderna Covid-19 vaccine, or a single dose of J&J and also to obtain boosters when eligible). I acknowledge that as a member of the Chorus I must be extremely diligent regarding any known risks of exposure to COVID-19 that I may bring to a rehearsal or performance. Further, I acknowledge there are inherent risks of being exposed to COVID-19 when singing even if fully vaccinated and boosted. By signing below, I agree not to hold the Chorus or any of its officers or Board members liable if I contract COVID-19 as a result of exposure in activities of the Chorus. If I know that I have been exposed to COVID-19 (as defined by the CDC) or am feeling unwell, I will notify a board member, follow current CDC guidelines, and if so directed will not participate in any Chorus activity until I test negative.

Print your Name	Signature	 Date