



Pennsylvania Federation of Music Clubs

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CHORAL MUSIC

Choral Music brings joy and blessings to both the performer and the audience. It is the kind of music that utilizes **all** singers, not just those who are gifted with solo voices.

Club Presidents should work through the state chairman to help promote Choral Music in their respective states. Each club President should appoint someone in their club to develop a plan to emphasize the importance of choral music in their community and remember to include choral groups on their club programs. If you don't already have one, your club may consider forming a vocal ensemble and performing at nursing homes, community events, musical fund raisers, as well as club events.

Some other ways clubs can encourage choral music is to:

- Present an entire choral program during the year
- Commission a new choral work to be performed at a local concert/musical event
- Urge club members to participate in church choirs and choir festivals
- Promote singing in civic choruses and school ensembles
- Support local choral groups
- Offer support and help school choral musical programs
- Use local school choruses/ensembles on club programs
- Keep the media informed of choral performances
- Help federate church choirs and local choral groups

Remember that local club reports should be postmarked by **April 1**, so that I am able to recommend to the **NFMC** chairman, clubs that should receive special recognition for outstanding participation in Choral Music. The form is included in the President's Manual for easy copying. Any questions, suggestions, or concerns, should be forwarded to me at the above address.