

# Meet the Ridgefield Chorale!



Founded in 1976, the Ridgefield Chorale is a group of friends and neighbors in Ridgefield and surrounding communities who love to sing and share the gift of music with others. We are led by professional director, Daniela Sikora who will be celebrating her 25<sup>th</sup> year with the Chorale this season.

## Upcoming Events 2023/2024 Season

Saturday, July 29 – Summerfest – 3:00 pm Ridgefield Library

Tuesday, August 22 – JOIN US: New Member Event– 7:00-8:00 pm

followed by first rehearsal for Fall Concert – 8:00-9:30 pm St. Stephen's North Hall, 353 Main Street, Ridgefield *RSVP: info@ridgefieldchorale.org* 

Saturday, August 26 – Discovering Amistad – 11:00 am In partnership with the Ridgefield Playhouse – at Captain's Cove Seaport in Bridgeport

> Monday, September 11 – 9/11 Memorial – 6:30 pm Ridgefield Rec Center

Sunday, November 12 – Fall Concert – 4:00 pm First Congregational Church in Danbury

Friday, December 1 – Holiday Stroll – 6:00 pm

Sunday, December 17 – Holiday Concert – 4:00 pm The Ridgefield Playhouse

Monday, January 20 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration – 3:00 pm The Ridgefield Playhouse

> Saturday, May TBD – Spring Concert – 7:00 pm Ridgefield High School

## Would You Like to Learn More?

### Who we are

The Chorale is a mix of singers of various ages and skill levels. Many of the singers are seasoned musicians; others just love to sing, and members derive enormous pleasure performing. Everyone benefits from Director Daniela Sikora's inspiring rehearsals and extraordinary talents as a music educator.

### When we practice

Our main rehearsals are on Tuesday nights, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, with a few Thursday night rehearsals for sectionals or additional group practice. We sometimes have extra help sectionals on Tuesdays at 6:45 before regular rehearsal. Our home location is East Ridge Middle School (ERMS) (10 East Ridge Road, Ridgefield).

### What we sing

The Chorale performs contemporary choral music, from a cappella to Broadway, the standards, jazz and world music. We give three concerts a year (Spring, Fall, Holiday) and members can join for all or any - as long as they regularly attend rehearsals for the event.

#### How we help others

In addition to a love of music, the common bond that connects the singers is a sense of camaraderie and civic mindedness. Members volunteer their time not only to blend in four-part harmony but also to help their fellow citizens. We participate in numerous other community activities which impact the lives of children, seniors, and students in a positive way. Proceeds from our Holiday Concert are directed to a charity that helps those in need.

### How to join

Simply reach out to us, introduce yourself and visit a Tuesday night rehearsal to get a sense of how we work. While a love of music is important, you do not need to read music and no auditions are required.

#### How it works

The Chorale is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization run by a volunteer Board of Directors. Members pay dues of \$80 each season (spring and fall) and \$20 for the Holiday season. There is also a charge for music and concert attire. Financial assistance is available.



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