## Hey VR Choirs!

(Please read this e-mail in it's entirety!)

I'm excited to announce our upcoming ALL CHOIR OPEN MIC NIGHT that we'll be hosting on April 20! This event is open to VR Med (Mon, Wed & Online), VR Ensemble, VR Prime & VR Kids. Keep in mind that the info in this email is for those who would like to sing, but you are also welcome to attend as an audience member! Details below.

Date: SATURDAY, April 20, 2024.

Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm

Where: Leaside United Church

Cost: FREE!

If you've never attended an open mic, it's an opportunity to perform solo for your choir pals, singing a song of your choice with Anthony on piano. The atmosphere is relaxed, supportive, welcoming and fun!! Most of you have attended one of these nights before (so you know the drill), but just to refresh, here's how it works:

- There are 20 available spots to sing and you can sing ANY song you desire!
- You have the option to accompany yourself (piano? guitar? ukulele?), or bring sheet music for Anthony, and he will accompany you on the piano. (You do not need to submit your sheet music ahead of time).
- <u>Musicnotes</u> is a great place to find affordable sheet music -- the more popular the song, the more likely it is that you'll be able to find sheet music for it!
- Feel free to team up with your friends and/or folks from other choirs, but please no more than 3 people to a group -- we won't have enough microphones! If you plan to sing in a duo/trio, only one member of the group needs to register to sing.
- NO KARAOKE TRACKS!

THE SOLOISTS WILL BE DRAWN AT RANDOM IN A LOTTERY. You have until April 06 to register your interest in being a soloist by clicking the red button at the bottom of this email. I will draw the names of 20 singers at random (and a few as a "waiting list") on April 07. This lottery system is intended to give all those who are interested in singing an equal opportunity to sing, and to remove any bias or favouritism.

## Please keep in mind:

- You do not need to register if you don't want to sing!!
- Please have a GOOD IDEA of what song you want to sing -- you'll be asked when signing up.

• FOR KIDS: It is our preference that parents not attend this event, as it is not a formal performance environment (and can make the singers self-conscious!). Please get in touch with Nancy if there is a reason why a parent must attend.

SIGN UP TO SING