



AUDITION NOTICE

July 15, 2024

Crescendo Operatic Society's Children's Chorus is currently accepting applications for new singer membership for their 2024/2025 upcoming season, which consists of two main performances:

- December 2024 (exact dates TBD) A Dickens Christmas. A reading of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* with traditional English Carols sung throughout. Speaking roles of all characters are open for casting.
- Mother's Day 2024 solo recital (Date TBD)
- June 2025 (exact dates TBD) Franz Lehár's *The Merry Widow* for COS' 20th Anniversary Gala. All roles are open for casting, and include a Pontevedrian Children's chorus, which is a special addition of children at the Embassy to entertain the adults at a gala with a Pontevedrian National Anthem and Dance, written and choreographed especially for COS.

This opera is about an enormously rich Pontevedrian widow who is being wooed by every male compatriot, to keep her wealth in their country, but she is only interested in one man and their love story is fraught with hilarious mishaps.

All auditions will be considered for general membership. All solos, lead roles, speaking roles and chorus parts are cast from the COS ensemble of members, which are non-paying, and require payment of a nominal monthly fee to participate. Membership bursary for half fees are available upon casting with proof of financial need via application.

COS rehearses on Sunday afternoons at Trinity Lutheran Church 11040 River Road, North Delta. Additional online rehearsals may be called at times suitable for singers who are called. COS also gives masterclasses, classes in music reading and makeup, and individual coaching to any members in need of extra instruction at no extra cost. However, singers are encouraged to take their own private voice instruction.

To audition, send a link to a video of yourself singing any song of your choice and your resume to dolores@crescendooperatic.org. Singers who are unable to send an online video link may audition in person, by special request.

Deadline for submission is midnight September 12, 2024.

Call backs will be Sundays September 15 and 22, 5PM – 9 PM