



FANFARE / HARMONICS / RHAPSODY 2026–2027 Season

Dear Show Choir Members and Families,

Fanfare, Harmonics, and Rhapsody will operate as both individual and combined competition choirs this season. We are excited to announce that the choirs will compete at one of Florida's premier music events: **Music USA Festivals at Universal Orlando**.

Music USA Festivals

This is a two-day music festival that includes:

- Two days of admission to Universal Studios **and** Islands of Adventure
- Hotel accommodations (up to 4 occupants per room)
- Complimentary breakfast
- Festival entrance and competition fees
- Trophies and awards
- A \$20 Universal food & beverage card
- A dinner event at a park restaurant

Please mark your calendars:

Friday, April 2 – Saturday, April 3, 2027 (A example itinerary is included in this packet.)

Competition Details

Choirs will receive a rating of Superior, Excellent, or Good based on their performance. Our goal is to achieve a Superior rating. Regardless of the outcome, we remain humble, give our best effort, and accept results with grace. The primary objective is to learn and grow from the critiques and feedback we receive. In addition to the rating, we will compete against other choirs in our category and will be eligible for 1st–3rd place awards.

Throughout the year, we will also perform our competition repertoire at various local venues.

Participation Requirement

A minimum of 30 students must participate in the competition. Students who choose to compete are expected to maintain full participation in class.

Season Overview

In addition to the spring competition, we will focus on multiple local performances. The official show choir season ends on **June 15**. The groups have been invited to sing at the downtown 4th of July festivities. Students available for that performance will be notified of additional rehearsals.

Attendance Policy

- Students are allowed **4 excused absences** per semester. (The director is informed and confirms the reason for the absence in advance.)
- **2 unexcused absences** will result in a review of the student's continued participation. (No show / no call / not previously excused.)
- Students who fall behind due to absences may require additional private coaching outside of class at a rate of **\$25 per 30 minutes**.

Fees

- Monthly show choir tuition: **\$100.00**
- Plus competition trip fees (see page 6)
- Plus any costume fees (see page 3)

Rehearsal Schedule (Thursdays)

- **Harmonics:** 3:30–4:30 p.m.
- **Fanfare:** 4:30–5:30 p.m.
- **Rhapsody:** 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Chaperones

We need chaperones for the Universal trip. Chaperones may be assigned 3–4 students while in the parks. If you are unable to attend with your child, please rest assured that we have a well-established and successful chaperone system in place to ensure every student's safety.

Thank you for your commitment. I look forward to a wonderful year with The Friesse Studio Show Choirs.

Warmly,

Megan Friesse-Kaufman

FANFARE/HARMONICS/RHAPSODY Choir Attire Purchase Agreement

The Frieze Studio of Music will be ordering your attire for your performances. It is your responsibility to pay for and abide by the terms of this agreement.

All show choir attire will be distributed prior to the first performance. You are responsible for always maintaining the attire in performance ready condition. If the garment becomes soiled or damaged, please follow the directions on the garment for proper cleaning. Many of the dresses do not tolerate the dry-cleaning process and should be washed by hand.

When transporting the costume, it must be kept in a protective garment bag and hung on a hanger with all pleats properly creased, and all straps supported. Shoes should always be kept in a bag separate from the costume and hung outside the garment bag. Keep a small bag for accessories inside the garment bag.

When wearing your attire, be mindful of the fact that you represent the studio and your fellow choir members. Never run or engage in activity that is disrespectful while in uniform. Inappropriate or disrespectful language or attitudes will not be tolerated and could be cause for dismissal.

The cost of the costume varies for each choir: see next page for prices.

I _____, agree to the terms detailed above.

Date _____

Print Student Name: _____

Guardian Signature: _____

Fanfare/Harmonics/Rhapsody T-Shirt/Costume Order Form

Name _____

FANFARE GIRLS	Price (black flats sold separate)	Size
Youth Diana Dress - RED (D4012)	\$150.00	
Tights	\$20.00	
Dance Shorts	\$20.00	
Black Rhinestone Belt	\$15.00	
T-Shirt	\$20.00	
Black Flats	Purchase on your own	
TOTAL COST	\$219.50	
HARMONICS GIRLS	Price (black flats sold separate)	Size
Youth or Adult Bryant Dress - RED (D1288)	\$150.00	
Tights	\$20.00	
Dance Shorts	\$20.00	
Black Rhinestone Belt	\$15.00	
T-Shirt	\$20.00	
Tan Character Shoes – If don't already own	\$40.00	
TOTAL COST	\$265.00 / \$225.00 (w/o shoes)	
RHAPSODY GIRLS	Price (black flats sold separate)	Size
Adult Presa Dress - BLACK (D854)	\$120.00	
Tights	\$20.00	
Dance Shorts	\$20.00	
Claret Rhinestone Belt	\$15.00	
T-Shirt	\$20.00	
Tan Character Shoes – If don't already own	\$40.00	
TOTAL COST	\$235.00 (\$195.00 w/o shoes)	
MEN / BOYS	Price (black shoes sold separate)	
Ensemble Package	\$190.00	
Pants (Adj Flat Front) (\$35)		
Shirt (Reg Collar Tuxedo) (\$20)		
Jacket (Notch Lapel) (\$70)		
Vest (Precentor) (\$50)		
Bow Tie (Red) (\$15)		
T-Shirt	\$20.00	
Shoes – Black Dress	Purchase on your own	
TOTAL COST	\$210.00	

Sample Itinerary

Friday Apr 2, 2027	5:30 AM	Times on this date subject to change Leave by 5:30 AM
	8:30 AM	Arrive in Orlando between 8:00-8:30 AM at McDonalds off of International Drive (The giant one) for Breakfast. Change into uniform and then head to the park
	9:30 AM	All cars must park in the parking garage
	10:30-10:45	Walk to Competition venue to be backstage for rehearsal at 12:30
	12:30 1:30 P	FSM Choirs Competition and On-Stage Clinic GROUP PICTURES
	2:00 6:00 8:00	Out to park Awards Ceremony Dinner at Hard Rock Café or TBD (City Walk – Universal) *Chaperones check into the hotel *Chaperones Check in with Megan through TEXT (817)454-9414 or Jan at 817-994-9827
Saturday Apr 3 2027	8:00 AM	Expanded Continental Breakfast and Hotel Check-Out by 11 AM if leaving Saturday
	9:00 AM Leave 8:00 P	Admission to Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure Depart for Home at 8:00 PM or back to the hotel if staying through Sunday

**FANFARE/HARMONICS/RHAPSODY COMPETITION TEAM AGREEMENT
MUSIC USA FESTIVALS AT UNIVERSAL ORLANDO**

Name of Fanfare/Harmonics/Rhapsody Member: _____

I agree to pay: Monthly Tuition of \$100 + Competition and Costume fees ____ (Initial)

Parent/Guardian/s/Emergency Contact

1. _____ 2. _____

Phone: 1. _____ 2. _____

E-mail: 1. _____ 2. _____

Would you like to be a chaperone? 1. Yes ____ No ____ 2. Yes ____ No ____

Additional Emergency Contact: _____

Phone: _____

* If you checked yes to being a chaperone, you will receive a follow up e-mail with chaperone details.

*** The only way for additional family members to see the competition is to pay the competition/trip fee**

The prices listed below are the 2025-2026 prices. They are subject to change once we receive the contract from Music USA. These are the fees you will pay per-person. Annual Passes (AP) usually reduce the price by \$100.00

Competition/Trip Fee: Please check or put a number in place for all that apply including all Choir member/s and all chaperones/family member/s attending

Price includes:

1 Night Hotel room, Continental Breakfast, 2-day / 2 Park pass to Universal Studios, \$20.00 Food Card for Universal, Dinner at Hard Rock Café or TBD, Entrance to all Music Festivals.

QUAD OCCUPANCY ROOM: \$468 (\$368 w/ AP) Qty _____ x \$ _____ =\$ _____

DOUBLE OCCUPANCY ROOM: \$508 (\$408 w/ AP) Qty _____ x \$ _____ =\$ _____

SINGLE OCCUPANCY ROOM: \$628 (\$528 w/ AP) Qty 1 x \$ _____ =\$ _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

*Many prefer to double up on a room to be able to use a less expensive room option. There will be a payment portal available to do the formal registration, once we establish all the actual fees and number of attendees.



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MUSIC USA FESTIVALS PAYMENTS

Fanfare, Harmonics, & Rhapsody Competition

April 2 & 3, 2027

PLEASE be prompt with payments.

***Chaperones & Guests must also make payments**

***A chaperone must be at least 21 years of age and must room with students under the age of 18.**

A payment portal will be set up by the Music USA Coordinator for our group to process all payments. To ensure a smooth & positive festival experience, deposits and payments must be made according to the designated deadlines provided by Music USA, as these deadlines are in sync with the requirements of external vendors to ensure a successful festival experience.

★ \$100.00 Application Fee Per Person - Due: Upon Registration (\$50 Non-refundable)

★ \$150.00 Per Person Festival Payment - Due: Nov 7, 2026

★ \$100.00 Per Person Festival Payment – Due: Dec 5, 2026

★ \$150.00 Per Person Festival Payment - Due: Jan 16, 2027

★ FINAL BALANCE - Due: Feb 20, 2027

Cancellation Procedure: All cancellations must be made in writing, signed by the group leader, and provided to Music USA in a timely manner. If cancellation occurs on or before:

12/4/2026 - \$100 per person cancellation fee

12/5/2026- 1/15/2027 - \$200 per person cancellation fee

1/16/2027 - 2/19/2027 - \$300 per person cancellation fee

2/20/2027 – 3/29/2027 – No Refunds

SC Member(s)_____

Room Type:_____ # of attendees in room_____

Responsible Party Signature_____ Date _____

VEHICLE USAGE FOR ORLANDO

If you have a bigger vehicle and are willing to carpool Fanfare/Harmonics/Rhapsody members to Orlando. Please check all that apply and fill out vehicle details below

- If you are chaperoning: will you drive your vehicle to carpool Fanfare/Harmonics/Rhapsody members to and from Orlando? Yes__ No__
- How many additional seats can be utilized for Fanfare/Harmonics/Rhapsody members to and from Orlando? ____
- (Large Vehicles Only for backstage shuttle) Will you be willing to drive your van/large SUV to shuttle Fanfare/Harmonics/Rhapsody members through Universals gate? This is an additional process once all arrive in Orlando: Yes__ No__

Driver's License No. _____

License Plate No. _____

Vehicle Make: _____

Vehicle Model: _____

Vehicle Color: _____

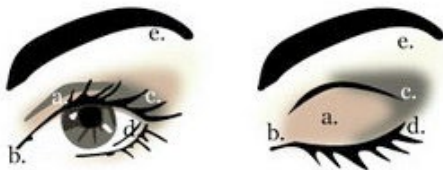
STAGE MAKE UP FOR SHOW CHOIRS

Base/Foundation (same shade as skin tone)—Apply over entire face, blending out to hairline.

Translucent Powder—Apply all over face. Use after base, and periodically through out the day as the oils in the face start to show.

Neutral Eye shadow shade - Refer to the drawn Example 1. below

- Ex 1. Letter E. Apply a light ivory to upper lid by the brow for a highlight pop, then on lower lid (below the crease)
- Ex 1. Letter A. Apply your light browns/golds color choice - **DO NOT OVER APPLY.**
- Ex 1. Letter C - To add a more dramatic touch, apply a darker shade of the same choice color to the crease of your lid. Shaping the eye as such; >



EXAMPLE 1.



Dark Brown or Black eye liner only

- On top of eye: apply liner across eyelid, can extend out beyond eye a little.
- On bottom: apply from center of eye straight out to make a parallel line with upper.

Dark blush—Apply to apples of cheeks. Dark Rose/Pink.

Lip liner (optional)—Line lips lightly then apply to entire lip surface

Lipstick - Red It should look more CRIMSON in the tube.

Do not buy a lipstick that looks bright red; it will look too bright and pink on the lips.



Hair

HALF UP HALF DOWN - Out of your face

