

Covid Policies (Subject to change)

We know many hold varying beliefs about masks and social distancing; however, since we are a large community organization, we need to put safety precautions in place to protect those who are at risk of Covid-19. As such, all San Antonio Messiah participants must follow the below guidelines in order to participate in our 2021 rehearsals and performances. If you feel you are not able to abide by these policies, you are welcome to re-join us in 2022, when hopefully we can return to normal procedures Thank you for being flexible and understanding during this trying time.

Rehearsals

◆ **Messiah Choir & Soloists:**

- Wear a mask OR
- Socially distance every other seat from those who are outside of your family

◆ **Messiah Orchestra & Prelude Orchestra:**

- Wear a mask OR
- Socially distance every other seat from those who are outside of your family
- Bell cover/ instrument mask required on the end of wind & brass instruments

◆ **Youth Choir & Children's Choir:**

- Wear a mask OR
- Socially distance every other seat from those who are outside of your family

Before and After Rehearsals

◆ **All Participants**

- Wear a mask when walking to and from rehearsals or when walking in the building
- After rehearsals, please go outside if you wish to talk to others

Performances

◆ **All Participants**

- Wear a mask when lining up in rooms. If you need an exception, please contact samessiah@gmail.com and we will provide a separate space for you.
- Masks may be removed, if desired, once sitting down in your performance spot.
- Performance seating will be socially distanced every other seat. Exceptions will be made for those in your family.
- If Covid cases change, for better or worse, the performance seating will be readdressed. If Covid guidelines ever become loosened, and masks or social distancing are not required, socially distanced seating will still be available for performers who request it.

Other Precautions

- ◆ Hand sanitizing stations will be available at each door
- ◆ Masks will be provided if you forget yours
- ◆ Covid safety questions will be posted at each door
- ◆ Vaccines are encouraged
- ◆ Do not attend rehearsals or performances if you have any Covid symptoms
- ◆ Doors will be opened when possible to provide better ventilation

Audience

- ◆ Wear a mask since social distancing will not be possible

*If you need 6 foot social distancing, please contact samessiah@gmail.com