

Rehearsal & Stage Etiquette

Rehearsal Etiquette:

1. **Be PRESENT and ENGAGED!**
2. Be on time. Rehearsals begin at 7:00 PM. Be in your seat early.
3. Keep talking to a minimum. Socializing during rehearsal will result in a lack of focus. Enjoy socializing before and after rehearsal and during rehearsal breaks.
4. Bring music, in an organized folder, and a pencil to every rehearsal.
5. Use your pencil in rehearsal annotating, to mark mistakes and tough sections to be practiced at home. Do not use pen or highlighters to mark music, unless you have purchased it.
6. Practice music whenever given the opportunity. The choral arrangement playlist and voice parts are available online at <https://npassingers.org/audio-files/> for individual practice.
7. No gum during rehearsal.
8. Keep water in a sealable container.
9. Silence all devices (cell phones, smart watches, etc.) before entering the rehearsal area.
10. Please do not refresh cologne, perfume, lotion, or other scents before attending rehearsal. Many are sensitive to strong scents.



Stage Etiquette:

1. Music must be hole punched and carried in a plain black folder/binder.
2. Memorize as much of the music as possible. Try to keep your head up to be able to watch the conductor cues.
3. Facial expressions should reflect the “emotion” of the music.
4. During solos in the concert, singers should keep their focus out into the audience and NOT following along in their music.
5. No talking on stage during the concert. The microphones pick up EVERYTHING!
6. Wear comfortable shoes.
7. Silence all devices (cell phones, smart watches, etc.).
8. In consideration of other singers with allergies or sensitive noses, singers are asked not to wear perfume, cologne, shave lotion, or other scents (deodorant is encouraged 😊).
9. **Look up, smile and have fun! Be PRESENT and ENGAGED!**

Music Return Policy:

Music must be returned to NPAS within 30 days of the concert, with markings erased. Following these 30 days an invoice will be sent to the singer for the cost of the music. Future membership in NPAS will be withheld if the invoice is unpaid. Music may be purchased, upon request; see Librarian to purchase.