

# Let's sing!

**It's time to prepare for Sangerfest 2020.  
Here are a few tips to help you get ready:**

**Registrations are due by April 1.** Make sure that you register and pay your registration fees to your local chorus representative before April 1. Registration materials have been sent to your chorus president. Registration information can also be reviewed at the NSAA website—<http://www.nsaaonline.org/>

- **Hotel**—a block of rooms is being held at The Madison Concourse Hotel. The best way to fully participate in Sangerfest is to be on site. It's the closest hotel to all the Sangerfest activities.
- **Be prepared to sing.** After all, we come to Sangerfests because we love to sing, and we love to carry on the Norwegian and Scandinavian-American heritage.
- **Activities**—A lot of thought and effort has been put into giving you and your wife or companion interesting things to do in your free time. Look over the events and plan on attending one or several of the offered events.
- **The Grand Banquet** will be held at the Concourse Hotel where we will have special recognition of our diamond medal recipients. We are lucky to have the Intermezzo String Quartet as music for the social hour. The Intermezzo Quartet is a traditional string quartet whose members have played with the Madison Symphony Orchestra and the Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra. Check them out at <http://www.intermezzostringquartet.com/>.
- **After the Banquet** we will be entertained by the Waunakee Big Band, an eighteen piece big band that will play many of the great jazz classics that many of us grew up with—great for listening and dancing! Check them out at <https://waunakeebigband.com/>.
- **The Grand Concert**—the highlight of Sangerfest 2020 will be at the Overture Center, a world class performance center. In addition to our concert program we are thrilled to have Jeni Houser, soprano, appear as a special guest. Jeni has performed at many national venues and had her recent debut at the New York Metropolitan Opera. Do you think maybe that because she grew up in Stoughton, WI, and her father is a tenor in the Edvard Grieg Chorus, that we are lucky enough to entice her here? Check out her website: <https://www.jenihouser.com/>
- **Most of all, prepare to have fun.** It's always a thrill to participate in our NSAA biennial Sangerfests.

**"Let all men sing." Keith Christopher**

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