



How to Join the Threshold Choir of Ann Arbor

The Ann Arbor Threshold Choir is always interested in singers who might want to join our choir. However, it is important to determine that singers who might want to join are a good match with our mission and our singing style. We have the following exploratory process, which allows new possible members and the choir members to reach a mutual decision about membership. The steps are:

1. Contact our membership coordinator. If you are interested in joining, call Pat at (734) 531-7960 or email her at thresholdofaa@gmail.com to let her know that you will be attending a general choir introduction.
2. Attend a general choir introduction. Learn about the choir and our mission. Everyone is expected to attend 3 rehearsals per month on Tuesdays from 12:30 to 2:30pm. If your schedule conflicts with this time window, we cannot invite you to membership. During the choir introduction, you are encouraged to ask any questions you might have. This year's choir introduction date is **Tuesday June 6, 2:45-3:30pm.**

Following this session, if you want to join the choir, we ask you to sign up for a personal meeting.

3. Attend an initial meeting with 2 choir leaders. This is an opportunity to get to know each other, to answer any further questions about the choir, and to sing a simple song or two together. Each meeting is about 30 minutes. These meetings will take place in June, dates to be announced. If you are interested in joining, we will let you know by the third week of June who we are inviting as prospective new singers.
4. Attend summer introductory rehearsals. On July 25th and August 22nd, there will be special introductory rehearsals to begin learning some of the Threshold songs.
5. Attend all fall choir rehearsals. In the fall, you will be invited as a visitor and expected to attend rehearsals on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of September, October and November (unless you are ill or out of town). This will give you the opportunity to meet the other choir members and experience our culture.

6. Attend a follow up meeting with 2 choir leaders. Following this experience with the choir, the time has arrived to decide whether to become a choir member. This is an important mutual decision. The follow up meetings will be held during the last part of October and first part of November, dates to be announced.
7. Make a mutual decision. We will let you know our thoughts at the end of the personal meeting or via email by November 17. We will ask for your response no later than November 22. We expect to complete this process before Thanksgiving.
8. Join the choir and purchase materials. As soon we invite you to join our choir and you accept our invitation, you will formally join both the local and international choirs. We will let you know how to purchase our song book and order CDs of Threshold songs when you join.
9. First rehearsal as a new member: December 5

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