



Gay Men's Chorus of Washington, DC  
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Washington, DC 20002  
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## PERMISSION FORM FOR 2018-19 GenOUT CHORUS

### GENERAL INFORMATION

(Legal Name is requested, in case it is needed in an emergency situation.)

Singer's Full Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

First Name

Middle or M.I.

How do you want to be called / have your first & last name printed? \_\_\_\_\_

When referring to yourself, what pronouns do you use? \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

ZIP Code

Is your Home Address the same address as Parent 1/Guardian 1 below?  Yes  No If No, indicate address of Parent 1/Guardian 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

ZIP Code

Singer's Mobile Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Singer's E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Age Today: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Adult Tee-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in Fall 2018: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your school have a Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA)?  Yes  No

If yes, do you participate in the GSA?  Yes  No

If you know the name of your GSA's faculty advisor, please indicate it here: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION (TO BE COMPLETED FOR ALL SINGERS)

Parent 1/Guardian 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

First Name

E-mail address

Parent 2/Guardian 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

First Name

E-mail address

**BEST NUMBER TO CALL IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:** (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

The number above is the  mobile number  home number  work number  
of  Parent 1 / Guardian 1  Parent 2 / Guardian 2

Alternate Phone 1: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone 2: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

### A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT SINGER'S MUSICAL BACKGROUND

Do you read music?  Yes  A little  No

Have you ever sung in a choir? If yes, what part(s) did you sing and how many years did you sing?  
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Do you play any instruments? If yes, which one(s) and how many years have you played it/them?  
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## **GENOUT CHORUS RULES & EXPECTATIONS**

I agree to participate in the 2018-19 GenOUT Chorus and to appear in public performances with the GenOUT Chorus and/or the Gay Men’s Chorus of Washington, DC. By signing this form, I agree to follow the rules listed here and to meet the expectations required for all participants in the GenOUT Chorus.

1. GenOUT Chorus participants will follow instructions as given by chorus staff, adult volunteers, and adult chaperones. Instructions may be provided verbally or in written form (including by e-mail and text).
2. GenOUT Chorus participants will always behave in a way that is respectful to self and to others.
3. GenOUT Chorus participants will not use or be under the influence of any illegal substances (including prescription drugs not specifically prescribed to the user) at any time during GenOUT Chorus events. Since all GenOUT Chorus participants are under the age of 21, this applies to the consumption of alcohol, either privately or publicly.
4. GenOUT Chorus participants will not use tobacco at any time during GenOUT Chorus events, either privately or publicly. This applies to all GenOUT Chorus participants regardless of age.
5. **GenOUT Chorus participants are expected to participate fully in the rehearsal and performance schedule.** “Flaking out” (e.g., a late-notice cancellation) is not an option. Punctuality and preparedness for all events are expected. Students with excessive absences or who demonstrate lack of preparation may be excluded from performances, at the discretion of the artistic staff. If a GenOUT Chorus participant is not able to attend an event on the Chorus schedule, the singer must notify Chorus director Paul Heins at 202-271-2689 (or cpheins@gmcw.org) with as much advance notice as possible.
6. Music assigned to GenOUT Chorus members will be protected from damage. Rehearsal markings will be added in *pencil* only. Music will be promptly returned when instructed. If a GenOUT Chorus member leaves the ensemble, that member must promptly return all music.
7. GenOUT Chorus participants are expected to dress appropriately. For rehearsals, casual attire is expected (unless directed to wear costumes or other specific attire). Modesty is expected at all times. For concerts during the regular season, our usual attire is all-black (including black belt, black socks, and black dress shoes) or khaki shorts and GenOUT tee-shirts. The artistic staff will announce attire specifics before each show. Any questions or disputes on the appropriateness of attire are determined 100% by the artistic staff.
8. No GenOUT Chorus participant shall engage in behavior that will endanger others or themselves. If someone around you is behaving in an unsafe way, leave the situation immediately and tell chorus staff, adult volunteers, or adult chaperones.
9. No GenOUT Chorus participant shall have intimate relations with another GenOUT Chorus participant during a GenOUT Chorus event.
10. Private one-to-one interactions between a GenOUT Chorus participant and GMCW staff or volunteers are discouraged. For situations that require personal meetings, the meeting shall be conducted in view of other members or in safe public settings.
11. Any suspected case of sexual misconduct shall be reported to a GMCW staff member immediately. The staff or chorus leadership will initiate contact with the appropriate investigative agencies and offer assistance to the affected individual(s).
12. In the event of extreme misconduct, GenOUT Chorus participants may be sent home early from an event and/or dismissed from GenOUT Chorus. The singer and the singer’s parents will be responsible for any additional costs resulting in an early dismissal.

### **RULES/EXPECTATIONS – TO BE SIGNED BY THE SINGER:**

I have carefully read the rules/expectations stated above and agree to follow them throughout my participation in the 2018-19 GenOUT Chorus. I understand that if I do not follow these rules, I may be ineligible to perform and/or dismissed from the ensemble.

Singer’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature & Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**RULES/EXPECTATIONS – TO BE SIGNED BY THE PARENT/GUARDIAN OF THE SINGER (EVEN IF OVER 18):**

I have carefully read the rules/expectations stated on the previous page, and I give permission for my child to participate in the 2018-19 GenOUT Chorus. I understand that my child will be under the supervision of GMCW staff and adult volunteers. I have reviewed the rules with my child, and we will work together to commit to expectations (including the attendance expectations, listed in # 6) and appropriate behaviors.

Parent/Guardian’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature & Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDIA RELEASE – TO BE SIGNED BY THE SINGER:**

I grant permission for the GMCW and GenOUT Chorus to use my unrestricted image including the display, distribution, publication, transmission, or other use of photographs, electronic images, and/or video recordings taken of me for use in materials including, but not limited to, printed materials such as promotional brochures and newsletters, video recordings, and digital images such as those on the GMCW/GenOUT web sites and other internet platforms. I understand that these images and recordings may be used for a variety of purposes and that these images and recordings may be used without further notifying me. I also understand that my full name may be included in conjunction with any audio or video recordings or digital images.

Singer’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature & Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDIA RELEASE – TO BE SIGNED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN OF THE CHORUS MEMBER, IF UNDER 18:**

I consent to the Media Release as described above.

Parent/Guardian’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature & Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**TRANSPORTATION – TO BE SIGNED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN OF THE CHORUS MEMBER, IF UNDER 18:**

GenOUT’s typical rehearsal and performance venues are:

- Mt. Vernon Place United Methodist Church (MVP) – 900 Massachusetts Ave., NW / Washington, DC 20001  
● ● Mt. Vernon Sq/7<sup>th</sup> St-Convention Ctr Metro
- Lincoln Theatre – 1215 U St., NW / Washington, DC 20009 (13<sup>th</sup> & U Sts., NW) ● ● U Street Metro
- UDC Theater of the Arts – Windom Pl. & Connecticut Ave., NW / WDC 20008 ● Van Ness/UDC Metro
- Clarendon Presbyterian Church – 1305 N. Jackson St. / Arlington, VA 22201 ● ● Clarendon Metro

Additional venues will be announced as they are confirmed.

For transportation to/from events, students and their parents make their own arrangements for on-time arrival and pick-up. On-time arrival means at least 5 minutes before the published start of the event, and on-time pick-up means within 5 minutes of the published end of the event. On-time arrival for a performance means arrival no later than the stated call time. On-time pick-up for a performance means within 10 minutes of the performance conclusion. Late arrivals and pick-ups negatively impact the entire ensemble, so please avoid them.

At performances with meal breaks, singers have the option of leaving the venue to eat at nearby restaurants. At the conclusion of performances, a parent/guardian of a student under 18 must sign out the student from the chaperone, unless advance permission is granted for the student to leave with another adult or GenOUT Chorus member.

Please **initial** any and all that apply to your child:

\_\_\_\_\_ For meal breaks at performances, my child may sign out and leave the venue to eat at a local restaurant. My child understands that signing out with a chaperone is required before departing.

\_\_\_\_\_ At the conclusion of rehearsals and performances, my child may sign out on his/her/their own. My child understands that signing out with a chaperone is required before departing.

\_\_\_\_\_ At the conclusion of rehearsals and performances, my child may be signed out by another adult for transportation home. I will communicate the name of the authorized adult(s) prior to the performance date.

I understand the transportation guidelines as stated above.

Parent/Guardian’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature & Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL INFORMATION**

Please note that the information on this form is for emergency medical purposes only. The questions you answer cover important information that a doctor may need to know to provide proper care for you in an emergency. Any information you provide will be kept strictly confidential and will be disclosed only in an emergency, and only for the purposes of obtaining emergency medical treatment. Even if you are over 18, you are required to fill out this medical form for your safety and for the assistance of medical personnel in the case of an emergency.

Are you currently under a doctor’s care for any medical condition? Do you have any medical condition that may impact your participation in GenOUT Chorus (even if you are not currently being treated for the condition)? If yes, please describe the condition and any information that will be helpful for Chorus staff to know.

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Please list any allergies you have:

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Physician’s name and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance Provider: \_\_\_\_\_

Card and/or Group # \_\_\_\_\_

*In addition to Parents/Guardians listed on the first page, list any additional Emergency Contacts here:*

1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile phone : \_\_\_\_\_

2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile phone : \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL INFORMATION – TO BE SIGNED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN OF SINGERS (EVEN IF OVER 18):**

I/We certify that my child's current health status will allow him/her to participate safely in the 2018-19 GenOUT Chorus. I/We hereby authorize an adult representative of the GMCW to give consent for all reasonable medical, surgical, and/or dental treatment prescribed by a duly licensed physician or dentist for my child in a medical emergency.

Parent/Guardian’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature & Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL INFORMATION – TO BE SIGNED BY SINGERS WHO ARE 18 OR OVER:**

I certify that my current health status will allow me to participate safely in GenOUT Chorus. I hereby authorize an adult representative of the GMCW to give consent for all reasonable medical, surgical, and/or dental treatment prescribed by a duly licensed physician or dentist for me in a medical emergency.

Member’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature & Date: \_\_\_\_\_