



NORTH PORT
PERFORMING ARTS ASSOCIATION

To: The North Port City Commissioners

From: The North Port Performing Arts Association (NPPAA)
Barbara Johnson, President

The North Port Performing Arts Association (NPPAA) consists of 3 performing groups:
The N.P. Concert Band, The N.P. Symphony and The N.P. Chorale.

The members of the Board are representatives from all 3 performing groups plus a representative of The Society of the N.P. Performing Arts Center. We hold monthly meetings starting in October and running through April for a total of 14 hours.

We are responsible for the cleaning of the music suite. The suite has a large rehearsal room where we keep our percussion instruments, music stands, and chairs from week to week, a kitchen, 2 bathrooms, an office, a music library room, and 3 storage rooms. Hours for cleaning this year totaled 70.

Total Hours for the NPPAA USAGE REPORT for 2017/18 season is 84.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Johnson

Report to City Commissioners

To: The North Port Commissioners

From: The North Port Choral

Rita Hart, President

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Re: Music Use Agreement Annual Report

The North Port Chorale is a volunteer, not for profit, group performing three concerts per season at the performing Arts Center on high school campus. Under the direction of our Director and our Board of Directors, the chorale has performed before a record number of patrons this year. At our peak season, the Chorale has around 80-85 singers who are from North Port , Englewood and Venice areas.

During the 2017-2018 season, the Chorale performed before a total audience of approximately 1800 , averaging 600 per concert.

Preparation for concerts include: The librarians work approximately 85 hours for the concert season pulling music form the library, preparing individual music folders for each singer, refiling music after each concert and updating our computerized inventory list.

Chorale rehearsals each week on Monday evenings from 6;45 pm-9:00pm. Actual hours for rehearsals, plus 2 extra Tuesday night rehearsals approximately .85 hours including tech rehearsal and time spent on performance nights.

Auditions for soloist require 6 hours, with extra 8 hours rehearsals with soloist. Librarians and Membership person and setup committee arrive at 5;30pm and stay until 9:30 pm to put everything away .67 hours

Board Meetings: The chorale has one meeting per month in the music suite which runs an average of two hours for a total of 14 per season.

Total hours for the Chorale this season : 265 hours.

To: The North Port City Commissioners

From: The North Port Concert Band

RE: MUSIC SUITE USE AGREEMENT ANNUAL REPORT

The North Port Concert Band is a volunteer, not for profit musical group performing six concerts per season at the Performing Arts Center located on the High School Campus. Under the direction of our conductor, Dr. Dennis Silkebakken and our board of directors, the concert band has performed for another record breaking season. We have between 80-90 members depending on the time of year, with some traveling from Ft. Myers and St. Petersburg to perform with the band and we have a wait list for prospective members. We also have a dozen high school students who have played with the band this year and enjoy the experience of performing and learning from older, more experience musicians. The band also features outstanding guest soloists at each concert.

During the 2017-2018 concert season the band performed before nearly 6000 happy patrons.

Scholarships: The Concert Band also awards Scholarships to students who pursue a career in music. This year there are five students receiving \$1000 per year. As long as their grades are a B or better each marking period, they will continue to receive the \$1000 scholarship for 4 years. As of this date, the band has awarded \$13,000.00 in Scholarships.

Preparation for Concerts includes:

The Band librarian works approximately 329 hours for the concert season pulling music from the library stacks, preparing individual music folders for each musician, refiling music after each concert. Work is also spent during off season to update the library and update our computerized inventory list.

Physical preparation for rehearsals requires resetting of chairs for

rehearsals since the music suite is shared by two other performing groups. 26 hours per season.

BAND REHEARSALS: The band rehearses each week on Thursday evenings. The conductor and board members arrive early to set up the sound system, to utilize the hearing loop and for special individual group rehearsals when necessary. Regular rehearsals start at 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. We also hold Band Board meetings monthly following rehearsal. Rehearsal and meeting time amounts to **180 hours including concerts.**

There are probably another **30 hours** spent in the suite doing incidental projects related to concert preparation.

Total hours of Use for the Concert Band this season: 535

The Band is a member of Association of Concert Bands and through that membership we have a blanket performance license with ASCAP (American Society of Composers, Arrangers & Publishers) and BMI (Broadcast Music International). We are also members of the N.P. Chamber of Commerce.

We are proud to say that the band has a website that is linked to the City of North Port's site showcasing Arts and Entertainment in the North Port area. Our patrons have the option of ordering and printing their tickets on line. Since the box office is only open for 3 hours each day, M-F, it is a convenience to the North Port and surrounding communities who patronize the PAC and the musical presentation offered there. Since the demographic of North Port is changing, we are constantly attempting to make it more convenient for younger families to attend concerts by changing our concert time from 7:00 pm to 7:30 PM to make it more convenient for busy, working families to attend our performances.

To: The North Port City Commissioner

From: The North Port Symphony
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Re: Music Suite Use Agreement Annual Report

The NPS is a volunteer, not for profit community orchestra that performs five concerts per season at the Performing Arts Center on the North Port High School campus. Under the direction of our musical director, Robert Romanski, and our Board of Directors, the symphony has performed for a large number of patrons this season. We are comprised of approximately seventy musicians who travel from as far south as Punta Gorda and as far north as Tampa to perform with us each season.

During the 2017-18 season the orchestra performed before an approximate total audience of approximately 4800 patrons.

Preparation for Concerts:

Our librarian and her assistants work approximately 160 hours for the season researching music, going through our library, preparing individual music folders for each musician, and restocking music at the completion of each concert. The orchestra room must be reset each week for our Saturday rehearsals since the suite is shared by two other performing groups. We also have a cleaning person who spends several hours each month working on the suite.

Symphony Rehearsals:

The orchestra rehearses each week on Saturday mornings. The conductor, concert master and Board members arrive early to get things organized for the practice. Rehearsals begin promptly at 9:30 am and end at noon. During the course of the season, depending upon the challenging nature of the music, rehearsal might begin as early as 9:00am. Sometimes we have sectional rehearsals afterwards until 1:00pm. On average 150 hours are spent for rehearsals.

Office Use:

On occasion Board Members meet prior to rehearsals in the office to discuss issues that cannot wait until our monthly meetings. Also, time is spent using the copy machine and computer. On average, 25 hours per season.

Board Meetings:

The Symphony has one meeting per month, usually the 2nd Saturday of the month, immediately following our rehearsal. Each meeting last on average 90 minutes for an approximate 12 hours a season.

Stage Manager

Our stage manager arrives every concert (5) approximately two hours before our sound check rehearsal to set up the stage. 10 hours

TOTAL HOURS OF USE THIS SEASON: 352

Society of the North Port Performing Arts Center

2017-2019

Monthly use of the Music Suite for meeting purposes.

Society uses the room 11 months out of the year for

2 hours approx. 6pm to 8pm.

Exception of not using the suite in December for Xmas.

22 hours altogether for the use of the Music Suite.

Respectfully submitted:

Helen Marchese

President of the Society