

CODE OF CONDUCT and CONSENT FORM

Welcome to Vocal Waves – a community-based choral experience aimed at providing enjoyable and challenging artistic opportunities for the fulfillment of its members and the wider community.



To provide a unique range of choral arts programs, events and projects, Vocal Waves implements the following objectives:

- 1) to promote, support and advance the development of the arts through choral music;
- 2) to celebrate and enhance life in our communities by providing opportunities to connect with choral experiences;
- 3) to promote and foster appreciation, interest, and enthusiasm for the arts within our members through regular engagement with, and learning of, music within the choral context;
- 4) to encourage members' active participation in the association's rehearsal, workshop and performance opportunities and to attract and maintain interest in the association and its objectives from members and the broader community;
- 5) to provide facilities and resources for the engagement with choral experiences for our members;
- 6) to encourage and foster connections, communication, cooperation, collaboration and participation with cultural, creative, and educational programs, associations, and individuals;
- 7) to develop, promote, produce and present public choral performances, either individually or in collaboration with cultural, creative, and educational programs, associations, and individuals;
- 8) to develop, promote, produce and present choral workshops, either individually or in collaboration with cultural, creative, and educational programs, associations, and individuals;
- 9) to encourage, mentor and/or commission artists, composers, and educational programs to further the development of choral music and related artistic fields;
- 10) to participate in local, regional, national and international forums, festivals and symposia relating to cultural discourse, particularly those benefiting the furtherment of the arts and choral music;
- 11) to promote the objectives of Vocal Waves and do all things incidental to, or conducive of, the attainment of the objectives.

Please read the following and sign your name if you agree.

VOCAL WAVES CODE OF CONDUCT

To ensure that our objectives are being met, it is vital all participants, staff and volunteers understand and comply with our Code of Conduct so that Vocal Waves is always a safe, happy, supportive and encouraging environment for everyone involved.

To this end, we ask that each participant adheres to the following principles:

1. SHOW RESPECT

Act and speak respectfully - all participants, staff, volunteers and guests will be respectful of the beliefs, needs and backgrounds of others and show care for the property and possessions of everyone. As members of Vocal Waves, we are proud of each other and our achievements and enjoy sharing them with our communities.

2. BE ACCOUNTABLE

Take personal responsibility for your involvement in our programs. This includes attending and being punctual at rehearsals and events, wearing the appropriate attire, listening and following the instructions of the Artistic Director and management team (section leaders and working parties), making sure you come prepared (eg. correct music, pencil, water bottle, food, medications as needed, costumes, etc), supporting members of your team, and keeping the Artistic Director and management team informed if you have any issues.

3. BE EMPATHETIC

Create an inclusive and welcoming environment by maintaining a positive outlook in your interactions, being sensitive and supportive to those around you, and working cooperatively for the benefit of all participants.

4. BE KIND

Choose your words and actions carefully. Treat others as you would have them treat you. Through a kind and caring outlook, we nurture a positive environment that encourages the development of artistic excellence.

5. HAVE FUN

Enjoy yourself and have fun! Please always remember that you are here because you have chosen to be, and as much as we want to give of our best all the time, it is important to enjoy the journey and make sure you are having fun along the way!

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To ensure the choir's objectives are being met, I understand that it is vital that I adhere to the Vocal Waves Code of Conduct, outlining my responsibilities in the organisation.

To be eligible to join Vocal Waves programs, I understand that I must first sign that I have read and will adhere to the Code of Conduct outlined above. In the event of non-compliance with the Code of Conduct, I accept that the matter will be managed by the Artistic Director.

I acknowledge that I have read and will adhere to the Vocal Waves Code of Conduct and Consent as outlined in this document.

VOCAL WAVES PERMISSION TO USE CONTRIBUTIONS AND TO TAKE PHOTOS, RECORDINGS OR FILM FOR PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION

Thank you for being a member of the Vocal Waves. The organisation, and/or our partners, are keen to publicise and promote our programs, projects, and events. As part of this promotion, we request your permission to take your photo, record, and film you. These photos, recordings and footage may appear on websites, emails, newspapers, Facebook pages, Twitter feeds, Blog postings etc.

CONSENT

I agree that my photo or a video or sound recording may be taken and used by Vocal Waves, and/or any of our partners, for publicity or promotional purposes now and in the future.

I understand this means my photo, sound recordings or footage could appear on websites, emails, newspapers, Facebook pages, Twitter feeds, Blog postings etc.

While consent for media release is not a requirement of participating in the project (e.g., those who opt out of visual images, for instance, will be given the opportunity to step aside or avoided by our photographers), we don't have control over photos or videos taken by others, and we cannot guarantee that an individual's image won't be captured.

Please note, you will be given options regarding how you wish your name to be included in printed material.

I release any claim to intellectual property rights for contributions of music and/or words that I create that relate to a Vocal Waves project, to Vocal Waves. The exception to this is when Vocal Waves have contracted someone to write arrangements, music, etc., specifically for us, and a separate agreement will be entered into.

I acknowledge that I have read and will adhere to the Vocal Waves Code of Conduct and Consent as outlined in this document.

NB: Please tick box upon online registration for electronic acknowledgement or print a copy and sign below.