



MDDC NATS Newsletter

May 2020



District Governor's Letter
May 15, 2020

Singing and the Coronavirus, Covid -19

Singing publicly in choirs, ensembles or within any group is not recommended at this time because it may promote the spread of covid-19. In addition to the virus itself, this restriction has really hit many of us where we live as singers and as voice teachers.

Singing can have a positive effect on our health, physically, emotionally and spiritually. This holds true for those who sing as well as for the listener. We want to keep the joy of singing positive for all involved. Since research has shown that group singing in public places may promote the spread of covid-19, sing alone, continue to sing at home with family, sing online with groups, give virtual concerts and share them with others online. Just continue to sing! As performing artists and teachers we are creative. Tap into this wonderful energy and find a way to continue to lift your voices in song. Stay strong, stay safe!

Our NATS National Chapter is active in addressing many of the issues that we are facing during covid-19 as teachers and performers through NATS Chat. Archives of NATS Chats are always available if you cannot watch live. You can find these sessions at www.nats.org or on the NATS You Tube channel. Also, if you have not joined MDDC NATS on Facebook please be sure to do so. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/marylanddcnats/?ref=bookmarks>

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Grants and Funding for Artists and Arts Organizations

MSAC Maryland State Arts Council

<https://www.msac.org/programs/grants-organizations>

GBAC The Greater Baltimore Cultural Alliance

<https://www.baltimoreculture.org/list-regional-grants-and-awards-0#.Xr734mhKi6o>

Baker Artist Awards

<https://bakerartist.org/>

Baltimore County Government, Grants

<https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/commartsosciences/grants.html>

Howard County Arts Council

<http://www.hocoarts.org/explore/opportunities-artists-arts-groups/grants/>

Creative Capitol

<https://creative-capital.org/award/about/>

Washington DC Grant Watch

<https://washingtondc.grantwatch.com/cat/2/arts-and-culture-grants.html>

The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Arts and Humanities Grant

<http://www.cafritzfoundation.org/what-we-fund/arts-humanities>

GrantSpace, finding grants for Musicians

<https://grantspace.org/resources/knowledge-base/funding-for-musicians/>

National Endowment for the Arts, Music

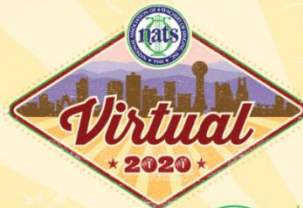
<https://www.arts.gov/artistic-fields/music>

The Kennedy Center Mellon Foundation Grant

<https://www.kennedy-center.org/press-releases/mellon-foundation-grant/>

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

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REGISTER TODAY

- NATS Member rate is \$75 in celebration of NATS' 75th birthday
- Non-Member rate is \$195 - includes NATS Membership through 2021.
- Non-Member Student \$46 - includes NATS Membership through 2021.
- NATS Student Members and NSA Competitors are free

For more information and to register click [HERE](#)

Pre-Conference Workshops

All Pre-Conference Workshops will take place at different times, you can register for more than one (additional ticket purchase required to attend).

- #1 [Teaching the Singer Songwriter](#)
- #2 [Acoustic and Perceptual Voice Pedagogy: From impulse and affect to pedagogy and performance](#)
- #3 [Voice and Hearing Health for Singers and Voice Teachers](#)
- #4 [When Pedagogy Meets Profession](#)
- #5 [Emotional Safety on Stage, In Rehearsal and In the Studio](#)



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