

# EARLY CHILDHOOD MUSICIANSHIP CLASS

## ANNANDALE CAMPUS

### 2016-2017 SEASON

Regular classes are held on Mondays at Annandale United Methodist Church:

**Early Childhood:** 4:45-5:30pm

For this class, parents should accompany children and plan to be part of the class every week. The ideal ratio is one parent per child, however multiple children can potentially be supervised by one parent. Check with the instructor for more information.

In addition to this class, FCS has five choirs that also rehearse at FCS on Monday's:

**Da Capo Choir:** 4:45-6:15pm

**Lyric Choir:** 4:45-6:15pm

**Treble Choir:** 5:30-7:30pm

**Concert Choir:** 5:30-7:45pm

**Master Singers:** 7:00-8:30pm

### FAIRFAX CHORAL SOCIETY'S 55TH SEASON

Although all of FCS's concerts are family-friendly, the following are specifically designed for our younger singers and are perfect for little ones too. All children in FCS programs are free, and all children 4 & under are free to all FCS performances.

#### SOFTLY FALLS THE WINTER SNOW

*Annandale Youth Choruses*

**December 6, 2016, 7:00 p.m.**

Annandale United Methodist Church  
6935 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA

#### HARMONIOUS ART: JOURNEYS

*FCS Da Capo, Lyric, & Treble Choirs*

**March 18, 2017, 1:00 pm**

Annandale United Methodist Church  
6935 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA

#### SPRING FOLLIES

*Annandale Youth Choruses*

**May 12, 2017, 7:00 p.m.**

Richard J. Ernst Theatre  
NVCC Annandale Campus  
8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA

## FCS Early Childhood Class Schedule 2016-2017

\*NOTE: FCS Youth Choruses do not follow public school calendars for holidays.

### Session 1

Monday, September 12	Open House	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, September 19	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, September 26	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, October 3	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, October 10	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, October 17	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, October 24	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, October 31	NO CLASS		
<b>Thursday, November 3</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>4:45-5:30</b>	<b>Annandale UMC</b>
Monday, November 7	NO CLASS		
Monday, November 14	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, November 21	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, November 28	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC

### Session 2

Monday, January 9	Open House	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
<b>Monday, January 16</b>	<b>NO CLASS</b>		
Monday, January 23	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, January 30	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, February 6	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, February 13	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
<b>Monday, February 20</b>	<b>NO CLASS</b>		
Monday, February 27	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, March 6	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, March 13	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, March 20	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, March 27	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, April 3	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC

### Session 3 – Mini-Session

Monday, April 17	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, April 24	Class (Da Capo Choir Open House)	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, May 1	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, May 8	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC
Monday, May 15	Class	4:45-5:30	Annandale UMC

## STANDARDS FOR BEHAVIOR

The Fairfax Choral Society strives to provide a safe and welcoming learning environment for our singers and families. As such, we ask that all singers and families uphold the following standards of behavior:

- Exhibit appropriate and controlled behavior at all times.
- FCS Instructors, Staff, and Volunteers should be treated with respect.
- Property of AUMC, the Fairfax Choral Society, and individuals should be treated with respect and caution. In the event of an accident, an FCS staff member or volunteer should be alerted immediately.
- Singers, families, staff, and volunteers will recognize and celebrate the diversity of the FCS program, and be mindful of different cultural norms.
- Singers and families will refrain from disrupting rehearsal or conferencing with instructors before or after the rehearsal. Instructors can be contacted to schedule a meeting, or you can leave your questions and information with the Youth Parent Coordinator.
- Singers will exhibit an eagerness to learn and take corrections from all in authority.
- Families will support their singers by getting singers to rehearsals on time, picking singers up on time, ensuring they have the correct uniform, and attending performances.

Failure to meet these standards for behavior, whether as a singer or family member, will result in a probationary status and possible dismissal from the choir.

## GUIDELINES FOR USE OF AUMC

We are fortunate to use the facilities here at Annandale UMC. Our rehearsal/classroom/performance space is excellent and we have established a wonderful reputation with this congregation and staff here at AUMC. That being said, it is our hope that we will be able to maintain our good name for many years to come. Here are some guidelines concerning the use of the facilities at Annandale UMC:

1. Youth Chorus members and parents are allowed to be in the lobby, Atrium, Coffee Café, Sanctuary, Choir Room, and Media Center. They are also allowed in the following rooms for Musicianship classes – 300, 307, 309, and 310. Any other space than the ones listed here are off limits to FCS students, siblings and parents.
2. There is to be no food or drink (other than water) in ANY of the rehearsal areas or classrooms. If you choose to purchase a cup of coffee or a soda, please do not bring it into any area other than the lobby, Atrium or Coffee Café.
3. Out of respect to the facility and others who are using the church for various other meetings, there will be **absolutely NO running allowed** in the church at any time. Any student or sibling ignoring this request will be asked to leave and possibly forfeit their tuition for the remainder of the year.
4. Our Coffee Café now has free wi-fi for those of you who wish to access the Internet while waiting for your son/daughter to complete rehearsal or musicianship class. We ask that you respect the church and not access any sites that would be considered unlawful, dangerous, or unethical. Instructions on how to access the wi-fi are posted in the Coffee Café, just off the Atrium.
5. Families are welcome to use the playground when a parent or guardian is present and when they are not being used by the preschool.

## FUNDRAISING & MARKETING

Families participating in the Early Childhood Class are encouraged to participate in fundraising and marketing efforts. We'd love to provide you with flyers for your child's preschool or play group, and there are many fundraisers you can participate in throughout the year. For more information, on either of these opportunities, please see the front desk when you arrive for class.

## COMMUNICATION

The FCS Office Staff communicates to the class members through regular emails and the organizational website ([www.fairfaxchoralsociety.org](http://www.fairfaxchoralsociety.org)). Please be sure that we have your most current email address and that you check your emails regular for any last minute changes or updates.

## HAVE QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

Questions regarding general class information, voice check for the Da Capo Choir, volunteering, marketing, fundraising, etc.

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\*Please note that it is preferable to contact your teacher via e-mail. Approaching teachers before and during class interrupts our preparation, and does not allow adequate time to address properly your student's needs.

## **\*INCLEMENT WEATHER\***

In the event of inclement weather, please check your email communication, the FCS website, and the FCS Office voice mail for rehearsal cancellation notices. FCS does not necessarily adhere to Fairfax County Public School system emergency closure policies.