

Convention News ~ January 30, 2025



Ready, Set, SOAR!

Convention team members conducted an on-site walk-through of the Spokane Convention Center on January 24th and then met via Zoom on January 26th. We are excited to be "Soaring in Harmony" for the 2025 Region 13 Convention, scheduled for May 15-18, 2025 at the Spokane Convention Center.

We have considered feedback from the 2024 post-convention survey and are making changes accordingly, such as...

- A smaller stage footprint with draping for privacy, both for entering and leaving the stage
- Staggered seating for better viewing
- Moving Registration closer to the connector doors
- A digital convention program with QR codes and clickable navigation links available for download before the event
- A double-sided handout at the door for each contest with contestant

information in a large font and space for personal notes

 An Afterglow event with a DJ, tag and quartet/chorus singing rooms, and social gathering areas

We are updating the convention pages on the Region 13 website to make information easily accessible and user-friendly, with links and hyperlinks for easy navigation. We appreciate your patience as we aim to complete this work as soon as possible.



Hotel Reservations

The DoubleTree by Hilton, Spokane Center is Region 13's only convention hotel. Reservations will open on Monday, February 17, 2025. Details will be updated on the convention webpages as they become available.



Registration for our Regional Competition will open January 31, 2025.

Be sure the watch for emails from your Convention Team as we update the website and share convention news with you.



Chorus and Quartet sponsored events at Competition

Please join AJoy and GlamChowder in the Rainbow Room on Saturday night from 9:30pm to midnight for another fun evening of karaoke! Bring your beverage of choice! All are welcome!!

** Sponsoring a gathering for your chorus or quartet during convention weekend? Space at the DoubleTree is limited, so send any requests to Denise Thomson. Allocations will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. Choruses who wish to sponsor a room/event at convention need to send their proposed idea to the RLT for review and approval before it can be posted anywhere. To share details about your event, kindly send the information to Kari Flint for inclusion in our upcoming Convention Newsletter. **



ATTENTION: QUARTET AND CHORUS CONTACTS

2025 Contest registration at the international level opens FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2025.

Sweet Adeline International fees:

- Quartet Entry Fee = \$125 USD (deadline: 3/17/25)
- Quartet Late Entry Fee = \$225 USD (deadline: 4/1/25)

- Chorus Entry Fee = \$200 USD (deadline: 3/18/25)
- Chorus Late Entry Fee = \$300 USD (deadline: 4/2/25)

Regional Competition Portals for Quartets and Choruses: Quartets / Choruses

Directors who are either directing or singing with another chorus MUST indicate this on the SAI registration form to avoid a back-to-back draw for the order of appearance. *Directors are the ONLY competitors that will receive this consideration*.

Region 13 registration opens March 5, 2025 ~ ALL COMPETITORS must also register at the regional level.



Your Convention Team looks forward to seeing all of you at the 2025 convention. We encourage you to watch your email as we share our monthly Convention News Updates!



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Member Information Update Request

Please take a moment to log in to the <u>R13 Members Only</u> webpage to update your member profile information. If you have any login issues, please contact <u>Mindy Engelberg</u> or <u>Diana Jordan</u>.

REGION 13 WEBSITE sairegion13.org

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Please send your name and preferred email to: eblastupdate@sairegion13.org