



# **About our Auditions**

Auditioning with the St Andrews Madrigal Group is a great way for us to get to know you and your voice. It is also a great way for you to build your own confidence singing in front of a small panel of fellow students. Remember: we all want to see you do well!

#### Where do I sign up for auditions?

You can book an audition slot via the link here:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1sHkZ\_Nc8VPvjCphE0p\_GLuUeT0wJnalS2qpnG99\_EYQ/edit

Please let us know your name and your chosen part, whether that be **Soprano**, **Alto**, **Tenor**, or **Bass**.

NB: For the 2023-24 academic year, there are slots available in the choir for **sopranos**, **altos**, and **tenors**.

#### What will I be asked to sing at auditions?

Our auditions are informal, friendly, and last in total no longer than **10 minutes**.

When you arrive for your audition, you will be given a **short extract** of sight-reading appropriate for your chosen part.

Please arrive **10 minutes** before your specified timeslot, so you have ample time to prepare for your sight-reading.

You **might** also be asked to sing the score below with some of the current members of the choir.

We will also do some ear tests, some exercises to establish your vocal range, and at the end we'll ask you some questions to get to know you and your musical background.





### Where and when are the auditions taking place?

Our auditions for the 2023-24 academic year are taking place at **St Leonard's Chapel**, which is close to Jannetas on South Street.

Don't mix it up with **St Leonard's Church**- they are different places on opposite sides of town!

Our auditions are being held on the Friday (8<sup>th</sup> Sept) and Saturday (9<sup>th</sup> Sept) of Orientation Week.

## How should I prepare?

For your sight-reading, it would be advisable to have a piano keyboard website or app already downloaded onto your smartphone. This is in case you need to give yourself notes during your 10 minutes of preparation time.

You needn't prepare any music before the audition, but it would be helpful if you have a look at the piece below.

Other than that, just remember to get some good rest the night before and drink plenty of water on the day!

#### What happens afterwards?

If you are successful, we'll send you an email inviting you to join Madrigal Group for the rest of your time as a student at St Andrews University, on a specific part.

If you are unsuccessful in your audition this time around, you may request feedback from our Musical Director for 2023-2024 at this email address: <u>madgroup@st-andrews.ac.uk</u>.



# **Blending Exercise 2023-24**



adapted by Michael Chamberlain taken from S.S. Wesley 'Lead me, Lord' Adagio J = 72Soprano 0 Lead me, Lord, lead me in true ho - li-ness, teach me to love and \_\_\_\_ trust in Alto 0 Lord, Lord, me,\_\_ Lead lead me in true ho - li-ness, teach me to love and trust in Tenor 0 • me, Lord,\_\_\_\_ lead me in true ho - li-ness, in\_ Lead teach me to love and trust Bass Lead me, Lord,\_\_\_\_ lead me in true ho - li - ness, teach me to love and trust in mf 0 Thee. Thou God, the of sal tion, all art our Lord our va \_ mf A 0 Thee. God, the Thou sal all Lord tion, art our of our va \_ тf T. 0 . 0 Thee. Thou art our God, the Lord of our sal va tion, all \_ тf P B Thee. Thou God, the Lord of sal tion, all art our our va \_ f  $p_{\uparrow}$ S shall tions praise Thy ho ly Name. na  $p \cap$ A e 6 0 0 0 0 tions shall Thy ho ly Name. na praise  $p_{\frown}$ T. 0. P P 0 Thy shall tions praise ho \_ ly Name. na f  $p_{\frown}$ B. 0 shall Thy tions ho ly Name. na praise\_