

Premier Audition Application Requirements for Show Choir

All applicants to Performers National Signing Day are required to record an audition video which includes the content outlined below.

- Each performance segment must be recorded in one take with no editing (though you may and should select the best of several takes).
- All videos must be recorded within the six months prior to the application deadline.
- Professional equipment and/or studio space is not necessary for a successful application to Performers National Signing Day. With attention to a few details, your music making can be conveyed using readily available consumer electronics; even iPhone or other smartphone recordings are acceptable.
- Please refer to [Audition Tech Tips](#) for additional information and suggestions for effectively recording your audition.

Required Video Segments for Show Choir

Video 1

Introduction: Before you record your first musical selection, please include a spoken introduction in which you state your name, instrument/voice part, hometown, and state.

Required Music Selections: You are asked to record only one video. Auditionees must select and sing three accompanied songs from the suggested list below:

- A rock song of the past 30 years
- A Broadway musical theater ballad
- A Country or Folk song
- A Latin fusion or Latin pop song
- A Disney movie song
- A pop ballad of the auditionee's choice

Optional: Memorization is not required but highly suggested on at least one of the selections. Note that adding a dance number and/or dance to a number is optional on the audition video but highly suggested.

Please note that if selected to participate in the actual New York event a short dance evaluation taught at the audition, will be used to assess your ability to move and potential for continued improvement. Event auditionees will be given a warm-up and

ample time to learn the musical theater combination, with options to increase the difficulty as needed. The audition combination will be performed in small groups.

- You are asked to announce the title of the number and composer and/or arranger before you begin the performance for each required selection.
- Applicants must perform accompanied, with a live rhythm section, or with prerecorded musical tracks.

Video 2

Video Essay: Please record a 2-3 minute answer to **one** of the following questions:

- What is a non-musical interest or activity about which you are passionate and why?
- What pop musician (of any specific genre/of any time) most inspires you and why (or how)?
- What do you anticipate your professional life to look like in 5 years, 10 years, and 20 years?
- What musical experiences have influenced your life and will continue to shape you as a person?

Print Music Resources

Lead sheets for the required titles can be purchased online:

- SheetMusicPlus.com
- Amazon.com

Also, here are two sources for finding public domain sheet music:

- Educational Music Service (www.emsmusic.com)
- Kalmus (www.efkalmus.com)