



Competitor e-Packet

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Region 11 Convention & Competition

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Bakersfield, CA

Assisting Chorus:
Santa Monica

2014 Region 11 Chorus Champions

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Who to Contact

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Important Dates

HOUSING Form due to Colleen McCormick <i>(room reservations only; no money)</i>	December 5
Contest Entry Forms e-mailed* from International HQ <i>(sent to registered quartet contacts and to chorus Team Coordinators/Presidents)</i> <i>*Forms will be e-mailed only; they will not be sent via U.S. Mail</i>	December 5 <i>(watch your e-mail)</i>
Last date for new quartets to register or for current quartets to renew, if not done earlier	January 15, 2015
Entry Forms due to International HQ: - QUARTET - CHORUS	January 26, 2015 January 27, 2015
Late Entry Deadline (\$25 late fee will apply): - QUARTET - CHORUS	February 10, 2015 February 11, 2015
AET and SET Forms due to Patt Mueller <i>(forms and money)</i>	January 16, 2015
HOUSING \$\$ due to Colleen McCormick	January 16, 2015
Draw for Order of Appearance	February 2, 2015

Housing and AET/SET Forms can be downloaded from the Region 11 website: http://www.sai-reg11.com/seminars_conventions.html

Housing Information

Deadlines:

*Housing List (no money yet) **December 5, 2014***

*Housing Payments **January 16, 2015***

The Quartet and Chorus Briefing is held on Thursday evening. All competing Quartets and Chorus Directors and Presidents/TCs are expected to attend, so please be sure you indicate on the housing form that you will be arriving on Thursday.

Official Region 11 Hotels

- *DoubleTree*
- *Courtyard Marriott*

The housing lottery drawing will take place following the December 5 deadline for submission of housing forms. The lottery draw is for the purpose of housing choruses in the DoubleTree. Some choruses prefer the Marriott and are not included in the lottery. The Assisting Chorus (Santa Monica, this year) is always housed in the DoubleTree. The remaining choruses are then part of the lottery draw.

Each chorus will be notified of the results of the lottery drawing ASAP, giving you plenty of time to collect housing payments before the payment deadline of January 16, 2015.

Hotel Pricing

DoubleTree Hotel	Courtyard Marriott
\$ 124.39 (single/double) \$ 206.19 (junior suite) \$ 206.19 (parlor suite)	\$ 112.07 (single/double)
• 2 Queen beds (2-4 people)	• 2 Queen beds (2-4 people)
• 1 King (2 people)	• 1 King (2 people)

Hotel Policies

NOTE: All hotels have a noise restriction policy for hotel rooms after 10:00p. Please be respectful of all hotel patrons.

Check-in time at all hotels is 3:00p. Hotels will NOT hold empty rooms a preceding night, so if you absolutely need to have a room before 3:00p, you should reserve and check in the night before. An attempt will be made to see that rooms of competing quartet members are available early; however, we cannot make guarantees.

Quartet and Chorus Contests

International Division

- Competitors will be eligible for International medals/awards.
- You will compete with 2 contest songs and will receive a numeric score.
- Choruses can qualify for Harmony Classic and International, based on your winning scores, as usual.

Open Division

- Competitors will not be eligible for International medals/awards.
- You will present a 10-minute entertainment package that includes one contest arrangement, and will receive a level score.
- Competing in the Open Division satisfies the requirement that a chartered chorus must compete once every 3 years.
- Any International-bound choruses and quartets may also compete in the Open Division for level scores.
- There are no “winners”, except for the recipient of the Audience Choice Award.

**All choruses and quartets should read the [Competition Handbook](#).
Download it to learn about ALL the contest rules:**

<http://sweetadelineintl.org/index.cfm?id=468>

Contest Entry Forms

Quartet and Chorus Contest Entry Forms will be e-mailed by SAI HQ the week of December 5. This form will also be available for download from the SAI website after this date.

Completed QUARTET Entry Forms must be received by SAI HQ on or before January 26, 2015. If your quartet changed personnel during the year and/or you failed to re-register your quartet by the January 15, 2015 deadline, your Entry Form will bounce.

Completed CHORUS Entry Forms must be received by SAI HQ on or before January 27, 2015.

Quartet or Chorus Entry Forms received after the entry deadline are considered late – a late fee of \$25, along with the required entry fee must accompany the Entry Form. Late entries will not be accepted after 30 days prior to the competition.

NOTE: If you did not received a confirmation of receipt by SAI HQ of your Entry Form, be proactive and inquire about it immediately. SAI HQ has been known to have problems with faxes especially.

General Information

Riser Configurations

ALL choruses will be using the Standard Riser Configuration again this year.

Standard Configuration	11 sections of 6-ft. risers with inverted center riser and 4 steps with back railing
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Competing for Evaluation Only?

Again this year, choruses have the option of competing for evaluation only by DVD. Choruses choosing this option will be required to pay the usual competition entry fee. This process does not replace the existing competition rule requiring choruses to compete every three years in order to maintain their charters.

Sunday Brunch

If you weren't at the Sunday Brunch last year, you really missed out! This is a special way to end a fabulous weekend with 300+ of your closest friends! Music, awards, and fun are the order of the day! Sign up when you register for your AET ... although you can register onsite in Bakersfield, this fun event is typically sold out, so why take the chance?

The cost of the Sunday Brunch stayed the same as last year – \$30 – and will include fluffy scrambled eggs, breakfast potatoes, bacon, fresh fruit, assorted Muffins & danish, oatmeal & dry Granola served with milk, orange juice & apple juice, coffee & hot tea.

All-Event Tickets (AETs)

Beginning with the 2016 Spring Convention, the price for Region 11 member AETs will be included with your regional assessment.) For 2015, AETs are \$70 each, and all competitors must purchase one.

Single-Event Tickets (SETs)

The \$40 SET entitles the holder of this ticket to sit only in designated audience seats in the auditorium. Holders of an SET may not sit in the VIP section nor with a chorus.

If you would like your guests to sit with your group, they must purchase an AET and their names must be included on the completed chorus AET Registration Form.

General Information

Judging Panel

Sound – Mary Rhea
Music – Jan Meyer
Expression – Vickie Maybury (Panel Chair)
Showmanship – Sue Beck
Panel Secretary – Cammi MacKinlay

Winners' Circle Quartet Reception

The Region 11 Winners' Circle will hold its annual reception on Thursday night after the Quartet/Chorus Briefing for all competing quartets hosted by our 2014 Regional Champions, CHEERS! More specific details on this reception will be sent to all competing quartets in February.

Changes to Name / Contact Information

If you, your quartet, chorus, or director have changed names or contact information in the past year, be sure to notify International Headquarters immediately so Contest Entry Forms go to the correct person. Choruses and quartets should list both names on the Contest Entry Form.

Convention Charms

SANTA MONICA CHORUS will be offering charms of the Convention logo. Price is \$10 each. See the checkbox on the Registration Form!



2015 Convention Forms

Housing Reservation
[\(Excel\)](#)

All-Events Ticket (AET) Registration
[\(Excel\)](#)

Single-Event Ticket (SET) Registration
[\(Excel\)](#)

Hotel Registration Credit Card
[\(PDF\)](#)