

36th Annual Southern Colorado Handbell Festival

Colorado Springs City Auditorium, Saturday, February 16, 2019

Julie Turner, Conductor

Festival Information

Thank you for being part of our 36th Annual Southern Colorado Handbell Festival!

Schedule: If at all possible, please plan to be at all the massed rehearsals from 9:00 – 11:15 AM and from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. At 7:00 PM, Dave Weesner will present a sing-a-long concert on the Auditorium Wurlitzer organ, followed by our Handbell Concert at 7:30 PM.

Location: The City Auditorium is located at Kiowa and Weber. Kiowa is a one-way street going east. From I-25, take the Bijou exit #142 east. (Bijou becomes Kiowa.)

Parking: Parking is available at the First Presbyterian Church lot, one block north of the Auditorium on Weber Street, and at the First Baptist Church parking lot, one block east of the auditorium. Please don't park in the reserved spots. Also, please park at the backs of both of these lots to leave the front spaces for those on church business. You may also use the City Parking Garage, one block west of the auditorium (\$6.75 for the day). Please don't park in the alley spaces to the west of the Auditorium next to the brick building wall; those are owned by Antiques Galley and in some years we've been towed.

Unloading: Please arrive after 8:00 AM. The City Auditorium will open promptly at 8:00 AM. Equipment may be unloaded at the West Entrance (the alley) of the auditorium and the East Entrance (Weber Street). Please move your vehicle to a lot after unloading to clear unloading space for others.

Directors' Meeting: There will be a brief directors' meeting in the theatre at 8:30 AM for last-minute information. If you have open positions, bring that info to the meeting (or email us ahead of time).

Banners and Tape: Please bring your banner to hang in the auditorium. Special tape, which is supplied by the auditorium management, must be used.

Morning Refreshments: Free donuts are available on the stage at 8:30 AM. Coffee is also available by donation, as a fundraiser for Mu Phi Epsilon, a professional music fraternity. You may bring water bottles (with non-leaking lids) for use during the day.

Dress: Dress comfortably for the day. Bring vestments or choir outfits for the concert. Dressing rooms are located under and off the stage; you may also dress in the restrooms (which do get crowded). Do not leave any valuables unattended in the auditorium or in the dressing rooms.

Music: A reminder – **WE OBEY THE COPYRIGHT LAWS!** You must have purchased enough original music for each stand in your choirs.

Children: Because of insurance rules, no children will be allowed in the auditorium during the day unless with a non-ringing responsible adult at all times. Thanks for understanding.

Concert Seats: To be fair to all, please do not reserve seats for the concert.

Restaurants: Lunch and dinner are on your own at local restaurants or you may "brown bag" in the Auditorium. You may want to make reservations if you are eating out.

February 15, 2020: Save the date for next year!