

PRISM November 2022 Updates

Prism Men's Chorus is off to a great start this concert season. Here are just a few of the exciting things we've already accomplished as well as plans for the future. We've added 21 new singers to our membership this season. With those new members and several returning members from seasons past, our current roster shows 89 active singing members for our upcoming concert.



This past fall, PRISM undertook new fundraising opportunities with the University of Michigan, working concessions at multiple sporting events including football, soccer, hockey, and volleyball—with more upcoming dates planned. Between all of these events, over 70 PRISM members, friends, and family have already joined in these efforts. To date, we have earned over \$20,000 to help fund the George Jonte-Crain Excellence in Music Scholarship, replace and upgrade our recording and sound equipment, invest in the initial inventory for a PRISM merchandise store (to aid our fundraising efforts), and provide new PRISM polo shirts for our members, which will be used at various public events and gatherings.

On August 13th, we performed at Royal Oak Pride, and on September 23rd we were invited to perform for Affirmations' annual Big Bash banquet at The Dearborn Inn.

We are always proud to represent PRISM out in the community and in support of other LGBTQIA+ affirming organizations.



On October 22nd, PRISM members and friends gathered at Plymouth Orchards for a Cider Mill Social. This was purely a social outing—a chance for members to connect with each other, bring friends along, and enjoy some fall weather and apple cider and donuts. (And to pull out those flannels)



On October 23rd, we hosted another successful "Strike a Note for PRISM" bowling event. The evening was full of laughter, fun, food, and friendships. Oh, and we bowled a little, too. We had raffles to help raise funds in addition to the ticket sales for the event. Food and beverages were provided by a very generous PRISM member as well.



Our December 17th concert, "PRISM Celebrates the Season" is quickly approaching and we are well into polishing and fine-tuning our music and singing. Included will be a wide variety of songs, from light and happy holiday favorites (complete with a dance troupe) to some more challenging and impressive choral literature. PRISM is musically diverse and versatile. You won't be disappointed. Tickets can be purchased now by going to our website at **www.prism-chorus.org** and clicking on the "events" tab. Once again, we will be performing at the magnificent Macomb Center for the Performing Arts. The concert begins at 8 pm, but be sure to arrive early to peruse the raffle baskets and materials from other organizations we partner with.



We hope to see you there.

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