



March 1, 2021

Dear Alexandria Choral Society members and supporters,

Now reflecting on a year since our last formal, in-person, singing experience, we wanted to update you on where the Society stands now and where we seem to be headed.

Rehearsals, hosted on Zoom, are well underway for our first virtual choir experience. This spring, we will premier movement I, "Exile," from our Composer in Residence, Jonathan Kolm's multi-movement, crowd-sourced composition, *Refuge*, with the T.C. Williams High School Choir, along with a performance of "The Sun Never Says" from Dan Forrest's new work "*Lux: The Dawn from on High*," with the Washington Metropolitan Youth Orchestra. Stay tuned for more information regarding the anticipated May 15 release of these collaborative virtual-performances.

We are cautiously planning for live rehearsals and performances for our 2021-2022 season. Additional details will be shared as time passes and updated guidelines on large gatherings are released.

Our highest priority continues to be the health and safety of our singers, collaborators, and community.

We will consult with and rely on the best possible advice from medical professionals, our local and state governments, local schools (K-12 and university), and our membership, as we consider when and how to commence in-person rehearsals and performances next season. Returning to business as usual too hastily places the most vulnerable members of our choral family at great risk. We will therefore take a measured approach, allowing us to make these serious decisions with great care. If you have any questions, please visit our website at www.alexandriachoralsociety.org or email us at alexandriachoralsociety@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

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Brian J. Isaac
Artistic Director

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "JJ Norman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

JJ Norman
President



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