

# Frequently asked questions

## 1. Where are we going to sing?

In front of the sanctuary. You can use the 5 steps and the space between the steps and the first row of pews. The balconies are not available.



## 2. Can we sing at masses?

Choir can perform on weekdays only. Masses during the week are adapted to people who work in the area and have limited time to attend mass during their lunch time. For that reason masses during the week last no longer than 30 minutes, so there is no time to add music. You can perform just before or after mass.

## 3. How long can we perform?

We recommend you to plan a 20-25 minutes program. We allow you a 30 minutes period of time for your performance, and rehearsal or "sound check" if needed. Ex: We allow you from 2pm to 2:30pm. Your performance must be over by 2:30pm as we have a guided tour planned at 2:30pm. We ask your collaboration to respect this schedule, our visitors often have a tight schedule and even if they will enjoy your performance they also want the guided tour they have planned.

## 4. Can we use the organ? Do you have a piano available?

Unfortunately, the organ will not be available and we don't have a piano. You are welcome to bring a keyboard or to rent one. We can provide the electrical outlet.

## 5. What the audience will be?

This is hard to answer. In the low season (mid-October to mid-April), don't expect lots of people. In the high season (June-September), you can easily expect 50 to 200, especially if you perform in the afternoon.

## 6. Where can we practice?

We can provide you a room for you to practice and change. You cannot practice in the main church as we have guided tours going on every 30 minutes during the day. You can use part of your 30 minutes to test the acoustic.

## 7. Can we sell our CD or other material?

Please note that it is strictly prohibited to solicit any funds or sell any merchandise (recordings, articles of clothing, etc.) either inside or outside the basilica.

## 8. Will the Basilica do some publicity about our venue?

Your venue will be announced on our web site and our staff at the entrance will inform visitors on the day of your performance.