

## **Chorus History:**

The Girl Scouts of Rhode Island Chorus was founded by Krystle Poirier in March of 2012 and began its first choral season in September of 2012.

Girl Scout ages 8 and up (through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) are able to audition for the chorus, where anywhere between 30 and 70 girls are selected to join the group every year. The Girl Scouts of Rhode Island Chorus studies a repertoire of music ranging from patriotic songs, Girl Scout classics, folk songs, and popular pieces of today. Singers learn to sing in 2-3 part harmonies and learn their parts to songs well. Participants also learn the fundamentals of song leading and become well versed in Girl Scout camp songs and cheers.

Krystle Poirier, B.M.E, is a private vocal instructor at Noteworthy Music in North Smithfield and the Music Teacher at Central Falls High School. She is a Girl Scout Gold Award Recipient, and a lifetime member of Girl Scouts of Rhode Island, and is the leader of a Girl Scout Troop in Woonsocket.

## **<u>General Information/How to Join:</u>**

-The GSRI Chorus is part of the Girl Scout Series Program and is open by audition to girls ages 8 through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

-Girls may audition for the chorus at any time during the year. During an audition the director and assistant director will listen to a girls voice to determine readiness to sing in a choral setting. Girls who do well in their audition will become members of the chorus on a performance level, and girls who need a bit more work in getting ready to join a chorus will still be accepted on a non-performance level, then moved up to the performance level when ready.

-Rehearsals are every Friday from 5:00 – 6:30 PM at the Lighthouse Christian Church right off of 146, near the Walmart entrance. The Chorus runs from September-June each school year.

-There is a \$30 fee for music, supplies, and uniform shirts due with registration form to GSRI. Girls DO NOT necessarily have to be Girl Scouts when auditioning for Chorus, but if accepted MUST be willing to register as a Girl Scout.

-All rehearsals are MANDATORY for members. The chorus will be available to sing at Girl Scouting events, city and statewide events, and other musical opportunities in the community. These performances will be announced as early as possible, and attendance at the performances is mandatory as well. Rehearsal schedules, and performance dates will be announced at the beginning of the chorus season.

-We are here to CHANGE THE WORLD through music and song! Singing in a chorus is one of the most rewarding and beautiful things a girl can do, and is an experience that builds confidence, friendship, and character! But most of all we are here to have fun!

## Location and Directions

The Lighthouse Christian Church located at 322 Eddie Dowling Hwy. North Smithfield, Rhode Island.

The Lighthouse Christian Church is located right off of Rt. 146 and is easy access from Providence and the Hwy. To get step by step directions to the church please click this link <u>http://lfwc.org/?section=directions</u>

## For more information:

Youtube Page: <u>http://www.youtube.com/user/GSRIChorus</u> Like us on Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/girlscoutsrhodeislandchorus</u>

Watch for signups in your annual GSRI Program Guide

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