



Manual for a virtual choir video

1. Make sure you know the song well; text, pronunciation, dynamics ... (You have no neighbor to fall back on)
2. Make sure your voice is warmed up.
3. Make sure you are fit and able to sing undisturbed.
4. Do not hesitate; recording...everyone is a little tense and most people don't like to hear and see themselves. Remember that you will soon be part of a larger whole, just like in the choir. And if you make a big mistake, you can always redo the recording, in that sense it is less exciting than a live performance.
5. Sing the song with the same effort, energy and emotion as you would at a performance
6. Stick to the conductor's agreements and directions. It might look you are giving a solo performance, but it is not.
7. Do not take 10 shots in a row (unnoticed your energy and spontaneity will decrease. If it really isn't good enough for your feeling, practice a few more times and record it again later)
8. Check your recording: Be critical, but not too critical. A small mistake can be eliminated in the mix.
9. Have fun!

And the technical aspects:

1. You need two devices. One to play the accompaniment via ear- or headphones, and the other to film yourself and record your voice. So, only your own voice can be heard on the recording.
2. Hold the phone you are using to film yourself vertically. Preferably put it down firmly so that the image does not move.
3. Make sure your face is properly sized
4. Try to position the phone's camera at eye level. Too low creates less beautiful images (chins and ceilings)
5. Look into your phone's camera as much as possible. That's that 'eye' in the top center. So don't look at yourself on the screen, but just above it.
6. Good light; good light comes from the front and / or sides. Light from behind makes you less visible and the background attracts more attention.
7. Provide a calm background. A plain wall or door gives a much finer image than a busy kitchen or bookcase. You can also agree with the group to only use a white background.
8. Define a dress code

We would like to refer to 3 ChorusOnline arrangers who have experience in putting together all these videos into a beautiful unique whole.

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