

Kenyon College - Office of Student Engagement

COVID-19 Guidelines for the Performing Arts Student Organizations

The following guidelines have been established in consultation with the Music Department and the COVID-19 Event Coordination Committee. These guidelines apply when the College is operating at the “low alert level.” If the College switches to operating at the “moderate or high alert level,” all activities will cease. Refer to the [Kenyon College Alert Status and Response](#) chart for details regarding campus operation protocols.

The directives below must be followed by all student organizations and are specifically designed for the safety of student performers. These stipulations apply to both rehearsals (practices) and performances (productions typically open to the campus or the public).

Masking:

- Singing masks are required at all times while actively singing.
- Regular masks are required at all other times, including performances.

Venues:

- Outdoor rehearsal and performance venues are preferred.
- Indoor Music Department-managed spaces are not available for practices.
- In rare circumstances, Music Department spaces can be reserved to perform a livestream of a special performance. For further details, contact Donna Maloney (maloneyd@kenyon.edu).

For assistance in acquiring an appropriate rehearsal or performance space, contact the OSE.

Gatherings & Distancing:

- Only groups of 10 or fewer may gather both indoors and outdoors.
- Indoors venues must accommodate the following distancing requirements:
 - Singers must stand 9 feet apart while singing.
 - If an audience is permitted, singers must stand 12 feet from the audience.
 - At all other times, students must be 6 feet apart.
- Rehearsals and performances cannot exceed ten attendees, including the student compliance officer.
- No live audiences are permitted.

Time Limits:

- Singing rehearsals and performances will be limited to 30 minutes. No exceptions. A student compliance officer (counted in the max. 10) must be present the entire time.
- Rehearsals and performances involving instruments will be limited to 30 minutes.
- Performances not involving singing or musical instruments should last no longer than 90 minutes.

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Compliance Officers

- All gatherings of student organizations must have a compliance officer who is responsible for enforcement of the College's COVID-19 guidelines.
- For gatherings of 10 or fewer, the compliance officer is designated as the President (or the senior most officer in attendance) at the rehearsal or performance.
- Follow the College's guidelines regarding compliance officers for approved gatherings larger than 10.

Equipment

- Due to reduced availability of rehearsal and performance spaces on campus, student organizations may have a special need for rental equipment, such as pianos. Organizations who desire additional funding for equipment should submit a Student Council [BFC request](#).
- Shared equipment must be properly sanitized between use by both individual performers and student organizations.

Special Performances

- Requests for gatherings/performances larger than 10 students may be made by completing this [proposal form](#) at least 10 working days prior to the event. The proposal form is reviewed by the COVID-19 Event Advisory Committee (EAC). Special performance questions may be directed to Laura Kane, Dean of Campus Life (kanel@kenyon.edu).
- Limited requests will be accepted per week and are subject to campus operating conditions.

Questions may be directed to Mick Steiner, Director of Student Engagement at steiner1@kenyon.edu