



## Salt Spring Baroque Music Society (SSB) COVID-19 Safety Plan

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Now that we are permitted to rehearse and perform concerts we all must continue to protect our community by doing our part to reduce the risk of further infection. Most infections occur between unvaccinated people, however, due to the highly transmissible nature of the Delta variant, SSB is requiring that all persons involved in the workshop follow these COVID-19 protocols.

### COVID-19 Health Protocols for the SSB Music Workshop

1. All participants are required to have had two COVID-19 vaccinations, completed at least 14 days prior to the start of the workshop. **We will be asking for proof of vaccination on the first day of the workshop.** You can show either the vaccination card that you were given when vaccinated, or the new BC Vaccine Card.
2. All participants will be required to take the Abbott Panbio Nasal COVID-19 Ag Rapid Test (sample collection to be self administered). If a participant tests positive, they will be required to withdraw from the workshop and see a health professional for further testing.
3. All participants must assess themselves daily for COVID-19 symptoms prior to engaging in-person. **If you are sick DO NOT COME.**
4. All participants will be required to maintain physical distance from others while rehearsing.
5. **Masks will be required by all members when setting up, at breaks and at all times when not physically distanced.**
  - Masks for singers while singing are highly recommended but not compulsory. Singers might consider a special singers mask, which allows for more room in front of the mouth, or an N-95 mask, which also has more room than a standard mask.
  - String and keyboard players are required to wear a mask while playing.
  - Wind instrument players are required to wear a mask while setting up but may take their masks off to play once seated and socially distanced.
  - It is recommended that wind players put their masks on when they are not playing for multiple movements.

6. Oboes, bassoons, and trumpets will be required to use bell covers on their instruments.
7. Windows and doors will remain open during rehearsal to provide adequate ventilation. Dress warmly.
8. The room will be aired out for 15 minutes during the morning break, the afternoon break and during lunch. During breaks, members will be encouraged to go outside. We will use Corsi/Rosenthal Box fans ([www.cleanaircrew.org/boxfanfilterfaq](http://www.cleanaircrew.org/boxfanfilterfaq)) to air out the rooms.
9. Do not share music stands or scores.
10. Guests will be prohibited from attending rehearsals, unless pre-approved by SSB.
11. Practice good hand hygiene at all times – sanitizer will be available.

Failure to follow these safety protocols may result in the individual being asked to leave the workshop. SSB will adapt to new concerns as we go and performers will be encouraged to raise safety issues if they feel concerned.

### **COVID-19 Health Protocols for the student concert (if there is one)**

1. We will only perform a live concert if it is permitted to do so by the BC Provincial Health Office (PHO).
2. Members of the choir, orchestra, and audience will be required to maintain physical distance from others during the concert.
3. Masks will be discretionary for singers for the concert.
4. String and keyboard players are required to wear a mask for the concert.
5. Wind instrument players are required to wear a mask while setting up but may take their masks off to play once seated and socially distanced. It is recommended that wind players put their masks back on if they are not playing for multiple movements. Oboes, bassoons and trumpets will be required to use bell covers on their instruments.
6. All audience members will be required to have had two COVID-19 vaccinations, completed at least 14 days prior to the date of the concert. **We will be asking for proof of vaccination from audience members.**

7. Audience members will be required to wear masks.
8. SSB will comply PHO regulations regarding the number of participants. At the time of writing, for indoor seated events participants are limited to 50 or 50% of the venue's capacity, whichever is greater – Beaver Point Hall is limiting us to 75 people.
9. Although there are no tickets required for the concert, audience members will be asked to pre-register on-line so we have their contact information in the event contract tracing is required.
10. Windows and doors will remain open during the concert to provide adequate ventilation
11. There will be no intermission or concession.
12. Hand sanitizer will be available.