

Taos Jewish Center High Holiday Chorus 2023-2024

Hebrew Calendar Year: 5783 ends 5784 begins

Rosh Hashanah begins sundown Friday, September 15, 2023.

Yom Kippur begins sundown, Sunday, September 24, 2023.

Hello, TJC Chorus Members, Past, Present and Future!

Yes, it's that time of year again! Once again, I want to thank you all for your enthusiastic participation in last year's High Holiday services. Your voices added so much to the spirit of the High Holy Days. For those of you who were not able to participate last year, I do hope you will find time to lend your voices this year.

This year, **Rosh Hashanah** begins Friday evening, September 15th – the year 5783, 1 Tishrei, with services that evening and the next day, 9/16. As of now, it looks like services for Erev RH will be at the Wildflower Playhouse Theater. Services on Saturday will be at the TJC.

Yom Kippur begins with Kol Nidre services on Sunday evening, September 24th and services the next day Monday, September 25th. Both Yom Kippur services will be at the Wildflower Playhouse.

I would like to hold our first rehearsal/get-together on **Monday, July 24th, at 4:00 p.m., at the Taos Jewish Center**, for a quick get together. I apologize in advance, for the lateness of this notice and if that is not a good day or time for some of you, but it is the only day I have available, at this time. Please note there are **2 exceptions in this schedule**.

Rehearsal dates:

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING REHEARSAL SCHEDULE CAREFULLY!!!!!! AND ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR

Rehearsals will all begin promptly at 4 p.m. at the TJC, on **MONDAYS, EXCEPT WHERE NOTED**, so please read the schedule carefully. Please notify me if you will be late or cannot attend.

1. July 24 2. July 31 3. Aug 7 4. TUESDAY - Aug 15 5. Aug. 21 6. Aug. 28
7. Sept. 4 8. Sept. 11 ***9. WEDNESDAY, Sept. 20

Please do not hesitate to contact me with ANY questions, comments, etc. Also, if you know of anyone who would like to sing with us, but may be a bit shy about it, do let me know. I'm also looking for some folk who might like to add some instrumentation to some of our music – guitar, flute, drums, etc. – so, again, let me know if someone comes to mind.

We will most likely chant most of the same songs we did last year, with a few changes and hopefully add some more to our repertoire. Please, please bring your music and notebooks from last year. It's quite cumbersome to make so many copies and in the interest of being as "green" as possible, I'd like to reuse/recycle our music.

Also, if you are unable to participate, but would still like to remain on the email list, please let me know. The reverse is also true: if you would like to be removed from this list, let me know as well.

Please RSVP to this email and let me know your intentions.

Thanks so much and I look forward to seeing you this coming Monday.

Shalom,

Cindy
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Rehearsals will begin promptly at 4:00 p.m. Please text me, or call, if you cannot come. Each rehearsal will last a max of 2 hours, including one 15-minute break. Wear comfy clothes.

Please bring:

Fun attitude and curiosity
Water
pencils
highlighter
black 3 ring notebook
recording device - phone, iPad, etc.

Rehearsals will consist of:

10-15 minutes of warm-up, both vocal and physical, before singing/rehearsing the liturgy
Review of pronunciation of transliteration of Hebrew words
Explanation of the meaning and location in service of prayers we are chanting
Learning music
Singing
FUN!

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE AND LOCATION
CAREFULLY**

9/15/23, Friday: Erev Rosh Hashanah Services will be held at the Wildflower Playhouse.

9/16/23, Saturday: Rosh Hashanah day, Sept. 16, will be at the TJC

9/24/23, Sunday evening: Kol Nidre at the Wildflower Playhouse.

9/25/23, Monday: Yom Kippur Day Services, at the Wildflower Playhouse.