

# SINGING OR PLAYING INSTRUMENT INSIDE THE SANCTUARY

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## **Before anyone comes to CVUUS, you must set it up with Laura.**

A maximum of 10 persons can be in the building. Two or more unrelated persons must both wear masks and stay  $\geq 6$  feet apart. *The recommended policy is subject to change as conditions change in coming months.*

### **Rules for Musicians and Singers**

1. Sing, play, practice, and record outside whenever possible.
2. A maximum of 10 people may gather indoors at CVUUS.
3. Musicians and singers should come ready to record or perform – this is not a space for rehearsals or warm-ups. Minimize the number of takes of a recording.
4. The space used should have as much outside air circulation as possible (windows open, fans, etc.)
5. Everyone except singers and wind musicians must be masked. Singers and wind musicians may be unmasked only while actually singing or playing.
6. A maximum of 5 persons may be unmasked.
7. 45 minutes is the upper limit for a gathering involving unmasked people.
8. Unmasked people must be  $\geq 10$  feet away from others – more distance is recommended.
9. After unmasked singers and wind musicians have been in an indoor space, that space must be empty until the next day.
10. Microphones: After use, label the mic, using blue tape and a Sharpie, with the date of use and put in the “used microphones” bin in the sound closet.

### **Decision-tree for Musicians and Singers**

1. Did Laura say that the space is available?
  - a. Yes – go to step 2
  - b. No – STOP. Go ask Laura, then go to step 2
2. Are all the people in the Sanctuary from the same household?
  - a. Yes – masking not required but need to read about microphone use
  - b. No – go to step 3
3. Are there more than 10 people, including tech persons?
  - a. Yes – STOP. Not permitted.
  - b. No – go to step 4
4. Will 6 or more musicians or singers be unmasked?
  - a. Yes – STOP. Not permitted
  - b. No – go to step 5
5. Will anyone be singing or playing a wind instrument?
  - a. Yes. Singers and wind musicians may be unmasked while actually singing/playing, but must be at least 10 feet from other participants while performing and must be masked the rest of the time. Piano, string, and percussion players must remain masked.
  - b. No. Musicians (piano, strings, percussion) and tech person must be masked at all times and must maintain  $\geq 6$ -foot distance from each other

*The Music Ministry Team pays close attention to the developing literature, including <https://www.nfhs.org/articles/unprecedented-international-coalition-led-by-performing-arts-organizations-to-commission-covid-19-study/>*