

Stage Etiquette

Our wonderful choir is now truly going from strength to strength with over 100 members. However, in order for our stage presentation to reach the same level of excellence as our singing, it is crucial that we enter and exit the stage in a safe, professional, and dignified manner. Our performance begins before we even arrive at the stage. Therefore, for all future concerts, competitions, etc., please be mindful of and adhere to the following instructions.

Julie BS will, as always, distribute a staging plan and inform us whether we will access the stage from the left, the right, or even the centre. Once the staging plan is sent, we will update you on who leads on and off first for each row.

- Check the staging plan carefully to see who is next to you on both sides
- When lining up, please do so quietly
- Line up with the back row at the front, as they will be the first to go on
- If we are accessing the stage from the left, the person on the very end at the right will lead on
- If from the right, it will be the person on the very end at the left who will lead on
- The next row from the back will follow on directly behind in the same way, with the front row coming last
- It is important that you all access the stage going up one side, holding on to the barriers, and then across your row to your allocated position
- Although it is exciting, nerve-wracking or one of many other emotions, please do not talk or turn around when you are on the stage
- At the end of the performance, please leave the stage one row at a time, always from the same side, usually from the front, but this will be dependent on the access to the stage
- Once again, walk across the stage on the row that you are on and then use the barriers to ensure your safety and that of fellow choir members
- Please do not talk as you leave the stage, this tends to take the shine off the amazing singing that we have done
- Keep the flow from the stage going and move to the back of the venue
- The audience will be asked to remain in place until the choir has left the stage
- Occasionally, we will make access to the stage from the centre. This can be sorted as and when required, dependent on who is participating
- During this process, we will have several choir committee members there at the front to support you should there be any confusion

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. It is these small details that will elevate our choir from fabulous to exceptional.

If you have any questions, please speak to a member of the committee.