

# St. Croix Valley (SCV) Chapter Policy for Chapter Quartets Performing on SCV Chapter Shows

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## Policy Goals

This policy is being established to:

1. Fulfill the St. Croix Valley Chapter's commitment to promote quarteting and other small group singing ,e.g., octets, by Chapter members,
2. Encourage and promote quality singing by quartets and other small groups,
3. Ensure that quartet and other small group performances please audiences, other chapter members and foster a sense of accomplishment by quartet and small group members,
4. Outline the process by which quartets and small groups can qualify to perform on Chapter Shows,
5. Educate and inform Chapter members about the process for Chapter Quartets and small groups to perform on Chapter Shows.

## Chapter Show Quartet Selection

Show Chairs for the various SCV Chapter Shows are encouraged to include SCV Chapter Quartets and other small groups, where possible, in shows. They alone are responsible for establishing the show format and song selection, with concurrence of the SCV Music Committee, for the show and determining the need for SCV Chapter Quartet and other small group participation. The criteria for Chapter Quartets and other small groups to qualify and perform are as outlined below.

1. A Chapter Quartet is defined as a quartet that contains at least one SCV member. The quartet does not have to be registered with the Barbershop Harmony Society (BHS). Other small groups must contain at least one SCV member.
2. A maximum of 20 minutes for each Chapter Show will be assigned to Chapter Quartets and other small groups. The Show Chair is responsible for determining the maximum number of songs to be sung based on the length of songs, the number of quartets and small groups performing and how well songs can be integrated into the Show. It is expected that this policy would normally result in four songs being sung by Chapter Quartets and other small groups.
3. Songs to be sung are to support the Show Theme.
4. Selection of quartets and other small groups for performing on the show is as follows:
  - a. No later than four (4) months prior to the Show, the SCV Music Committee will determine the number of active SCV Chapter Quartets and other small groups,
  - b. No later than four (4) months prior to the Show, the Show Chair will solicit interest from each of the SCV Chapter Quartets and other small groups to perform on the Show. (Note: If when initiating this new established policy, there are more quartets and small singing groups than needed for the Show, a lottery system will be used to determine which quartets and small singing groups will be selected for the initial Show. Remaining quartets and small singing groups will assume the rights to perform in the next SCV Chapter Show.),
5. Chapter Quartets and other small singing groups selected to sing on the Show will prepare songs for the Show and will be required two (2) months before the Show to audition with the SCV Chapter Music Director and SCV Section Leaders and qualify for performing on the Show.
  - a. Coaching and assistance by the Director and Section Leaders will be provided to assist the Chapter Quartet to perform on the Show.