

Region 3 Convention and Competition 2024

#1 – SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 2, 2024

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Registration (pick up only)	4 th Floor Registration
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Harmony Boutique	4 th Floor Registration
7:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Briefing Registration*	Wright Ballroom
7:30 pm – 8:00 pm	Combined Briefing	Wright Ballroom
8:30 pm – 10:30 pm	Quartet Reception**	Empire Ballroom

Friday, May 3, 2024

8:30 am – 11:30 am	Sound Check	Miller High Life Theater
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	All Events Ticket Sales	4 th Floor Registration
9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Registration (pick up only)	4 th Floor Registration
9:00 am – 2:30 pm	Harmony Boutique	4 th Floor Registration
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm	Membership Crescendo - Games People Play with Nancy Flynn & Carol Thompson	Wright Ballroom
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Mass Sing	Miller High Life Theater
3:00 pm – 6:30 pm	Registration & Ticket Sales	Miller High Life Theater
4:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Quartet Contest	Miller High Life Theater

Saturday, May 5, 2024

11:00 am – 2:30 pm	Registration & Ticket Sales	Miller High Life Theater
12:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Chorus Contest	Miller High Life Theater
Evening	Chorus Parties	Hospitality Rooms

* Chorus & Quartet contestants to turn in competition paperwork

** By Invitation only

#2 – HILTON MILWAUKEE CITY CENTER HOTEL

The Hilton Milwaukee City Center Hotel is located at 509 W. Wisconsin Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53203. Phone number is 414-271-7250.

Hotel rate is \$159/night plus tax. Check-in time is 3:00 pm. Checkout time is 12:00 pm. Early check-in prior to noon requires a \$30 fee - no fee from noon to 3:00 pm. Late checkout is also based on availability. Complimentary late checkout to 12:30 pm. Fees are \$50 for 2:00 pm and a full night's stay if not vacated by 2:00 pm.

The Hilton's front desk is on the second floor (same level as the walkway from the parking garage). A credit card is required at check-in. If using a debit card, an authorization will be taken based on the number of nights in your reservation.

The Hilton has an attached parking garage. The entrance is on 5th Street. The walkway to the hotel is on the 2nd level and there is an elevator with access to each level.

Discounted parking of \$15/night is available for those staying at the hotel. Bring your ticket to the front desk for validation. The parking will be charged to the credit card provided for incidentals.

The Hilton has complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the hotel. You will be given an access code at check-in.

#3 – HOTEL RESTAURANTS

The Hilton has several restaurants for your enjoyment. Here is a brief description of what they serve, where they are located and when they are open. Please note that the Hilton does not have room service.

Starbucks – on 1st floor

Monday – Friday: 5:30 am – 5:30 pm

Saturday & Sunday: 6:00 am – 4:00 pm

Café – breakfast buffet, on 1st floor

Monday – Friday: 6:30 am – 11:00 am

Saturday & Sunday: 6:30 am – 12:00 pm

Monarch Lounge – bar with small plate/appetizers, on 2nd floor across from front desk

Closed Sunday & Monday

Tuesday – Thursday: 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Friday & Saturday: 4:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Miller Time Pub – general restaurant featuring some Milwaukee favorites, on 1st floor

Everyday: Opens at 11:00 am

Sunday – Thursday: Closes at 12:00 am; kitchen closes at 11:00 pm

Friday & Saturday: Closes at 2:00 am; kitchen closes at 1:00 am

To go orders accepted (when kitchen is not overwhelmed). Call from room or go to host stand to place to go orders.

Chophouse – finer dining dinner restaurant, on 1st floor

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tuesday – Saturday: 5:00 pm – 10:00 pm

#4 – MILLER HIGH LIFE THEATER

The Miller High Life Theater (MHLT) is located at 500 W Kilbourn Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53203. The MHLT is 2 blocks from the Hilton.

During the sound check, you will NOT need your badge to enter. You will need to show your All Events badge or single event ticket to enter for the competitions.

No outside food or drink is allowed in the theater except for water. Water must be in a closable container.

Concessions anyone? MHLT Theater concessions will be open during our competitions. Concessions are CASHLESS – you must pay with credit or debit cards. Happy eating and drinking.

#5 – NO SMOKING POLICY

The Hilton and the Miller High Life Theater are smoke-free facilities. The Hilton will charge a cleaning fee if you smoke in your room. Smoking is allowed outside away from any entrance.

#6 – BADGES & TICKETS

Name badges will serve as your All Events Tickets. The badges are needed to enter the competition venue.

All Events and Single Event tickets prices are:

- \$125 – All Events
- \$ 65 – Single Events
- \$ 30 – Child Single Events (guests 12 and under)

The region only accepts cash or check (payable to Midwest Harmony Region 3, Inc.). Credit card transactions are not available.

Please refer to the convention schedule for times and locations.

#7 – PROGRAM

The convention program will be digital again this year. Visit the region's website to download your copy now. www.region3sweetadeines.org

#8 – DON'T FORGET YOUR LANYARDS

Pack your lanyards, badge holders, or whatever you like to use to display your name badge. At registration, you will receive the paper badge insert only. An assortment of lanyards and badge holders will be available for sale at the Region's sales table.

#9 – RAFFLES

Be sure to stop by Harmony Boutique to support the Kansas City bound choruses. They will have incredible items for raffle. Raffle winners will be drawn Saturday evening.

Open

Thursday	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 4 th floor Hilton
Friday	9:00 am to 2:30 pm, 4 th floor Hilton
	Evening, near cash bars Hilton

#10 – FRIDAY MORNING SOUND CHECK

The Sound Check will begin at 8:30 am at Miller High Life Theater. Join director, Renee Porzel, on the stage to sing “Send Your Love” and “How We Sang Today”.

We need ALL of you to attend and help us set the sound levels. Here’s your chance to sing on the stage before you compete!

#11 – MEMBERSHIP CRESCENDO – THE GAMES PEOPLE PLAY

Members are everything to Sweet Adelines. Join Nancy Flynn and Carol Thompson for this interactive experience at 1:00 pm in the Wright Ballroom. Explore how each of us can attract and keep members.

#12 – MASS SING

Kick off your convention weekend with a song. This year’s Mass Sing will be held in the MHLT grand rotunda lobby at 3:00 pm. Sing a few songs with your sisters in harmony before the quartet competition while we feature our assistant directors

Let’s Sing Again – Lora Wright, Heart of Illinois
Send Your Love – Vivian Gerrietts, Heart of Illinois
It’s The Music That Brings Us Together – Melissa Dalton, Great Lake Sound
How We Sang Today – Evelyn Phebus, Toast of Champaign Chorus

Visit the member’s only section of the website for music and learning tracks.

#13 – BUSING

Contestants will be bused to the competition venue. Contestants may be asked to present their All Events badge to enter backstage. To avoid problems at the theater, all contestants will be required to present their All Events badge to board the bus.

There is no return busing for contestants and no busing for the audience.

#14 – WELCOME JUDGES

Our judging panel

Valerie Taylor – Sound Judge & Panel Chair
Carolyn Schmidt – Music Judge
Karen Sweeters – Expression Judge
Gina Kaiser – Visual Communications Judge
Kelli Hinton – Panel Secretary

#15 – SATURDAY NIGHT IS PARTY TIME!

After all that competition, it's time to let loose and have some fun!

Many choruses have hospitality rooms. Below is a list of all the rooms. Join in for an evening of fun and celebration!

4th Floor

Choral-Aires – Wright C
Great Lake Sound – Walker
Heart of Illinois – Mitchell
Melodeers – Wright B
Midwest Crossroad – Wright A
Vermillion Valley Show – MacArthur

5th Floor

Crosstown Harmony – Oak
Riverport – Kilbourn

Cash bars will be set up in central locations. Please be advised that no outside food or alcohol is allowed – please purchase your drinks from the hotel bars.

At approximately 8:30 pm Choral-Aires, Melodeers and Midwest Crossroad Choruses will be opening the air walls in the Wright Ballroom to create a bigger party room. All are welcome to join!

#16 – VISIT MILWAUKEE

Need more information on Milwaukee. Visit Milwaukee is here to help. Check out their website visitmilwaukee.org.

#17 – YOUR CONVENTION STEERING COMMITTEE

It is our pleasure to assist all of you in having a wonderful convention and competition experience!

Competition Coordinator (CC) &
Chair of the Regional Convention (CRC)

Shelly Hughes
Melodeers &
Midwest Crossroad

Events Coordinator (EVC)

Kristin Farwig
Midwest Crossroad

Official Panel Liaisons (OPL)

Barb Godwin & Linda Gross
Melodeers

#18 – MAP

Below is a map of the area around the Hilton Milwaukee City Center and the Miller High Life Theatre.



SAFE TRAVELS - SEE YOU SOON!

**For more information, visit our website
www.region3sweetadelines.org**