

Region 3 Convention and Competition 2023

#1 – SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 4, 2023

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Harmony Boutique	4 th Floor Registration
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Registration (pick up only)	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 5, 2023

8:30 am – 11:00 am	Sound Check	Miller High Life Theater
11:00 am – 1:00 pm	All Events Ticket Sales	4 th Floor Registration
11:00 am – 2:30 pm	Registration (pick up only)	4 th Floor Registration
11:00 am – 2:30 pm	Harmony Boutique	4 th Floor Registration
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm	Education Class	Wright Ballroom
3:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Mass Sing	Miller High Life Theater
3:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Registration & Ticket Sales	Miller High Life Theater
3:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Harmony Boutique	Miller High Life Theater
4:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Quartet Contest	Miller High Life Theater

Saturday, May 6, 2023

11:00 am – 2:30 pm	Registration & Ticket Sales	Miller High Life Theater
12:00 pm – 4:30 pm	Chorus Contest	Miller High Life Theater
4:30 pm – 5:15 pm	Parade of Champions	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.

Check-in time is 3:00 pm. Check out time is 12:00 pm. Early check-in prior to noon requires a \$30 fee - no fee from noon to 3:00 pm. Late check out is also based on availability. Complimentary late check out 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 for incidentals. 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 \$12/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 2nd floor, to the left of the front desk

Monday – Friday: 5:30 am – 5:30 pm

Saturday & Sunday: 6:00 am – 4:00 pm

Café – breakfast buffet, on 1st floor

Everyday 6:30 am – 11:00 am

Cost is \$21.95 plus tax. They do offer a ‘to go’ container and drink. You may get your breakfast to go and enjoy in your chorus room

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 open 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. Below is the menu and pricing. Concessions are CASHLESS – you must pay with credit or debit cards. Happy eating and drinking.

\$10.00 – Mac & Cheese Curdful

\$ 8.00 – Hot Dogs

\$ 6.00 – Milwaukee Pretzel

\$ 6.50 – Nachos

\$ 4.50 – Assorted Candy

\$ 4.00 – Coffee

\$ 4.50 – Bottle Water

\$ 5.00 – Assorted Soda

\$ 6.00 – Assorted Gatorade

\$ 8.00 – Domestic Beer

\$ 9.00 – Craft Beer

\$ 8.00 – Assorted Wines

#5 – NO SMOKING POLICY

The Hilton and the Miller High Life Theater are smoke-free facilities. A cleaning fee will be assessed 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:

- \$120 – All Events
- \$ 60 – 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 this year. Visit the region's website to download your copy now.

#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 & SALES

Be sure to stop by Harmony Boutique to support the Louisville bound choruses. They will have incredible items for raffle or purchase. Raffle winners will be drawn after intermission of the quartet competition.

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| Thursday | 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm, 4 th floor Hilton |
| Friday | 11:00 am to 2:30 pm, 4 th floor Hilton |
| | 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Miller High Life Theater |

#10 – FRIDAY MORNING SOUND CHECK

The Sound Check will begin at 8:30 am at Miller High Life Theater. Join directors, Amy Brinkman and Bonnie Fedyski, 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 – THE ART OF CONNECTING WITH OUR AUDIENCE

Is there anything better than performing for an audience? Not for Sweet Adelines. We all love performing. Join Visual Communications judge, Renee Porzel, at 1:00 pm in the Wright Ballroom. Explore how to reach your next audience with one of the best.

#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

It's the Music That Bring Us Together – Vivian Gerrietts, Heart of IL Chorus

Let's Sing Again – Sue Williams, Riverport Chorus

One Song At A Time – Melissa Dalton, Great Lake Sound Chorus

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

Jean Barford – Sound Judge

Carolyn Schmidt – Music Judge

Marcia Pinvidic – Expression Judge & Panel Chair

Tori Postma – Visual Communications Judge

Janice McKenna – Panel Secretary

Beth Kimlick – Visual Communications Trial Scorer

Susan Krisnik – Visual Communications Trial Scorer

#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

Crosstown Harmony – Walker
Heart of Illinois – Mitchell
River City Sound – Wright C
Riverport – Wright A
Toast of Champaign – McArthur
Yahara River – Pabst

5th Floor

Choral-Aires – Regency
Great Lake Sound – Kilbourn
Melodeers – Crystal
Midwest Crossroad – Juneau
Vermillion Valley Show – Oak

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.

#16 – VISIT MILWAUKEE

Not sure how to get to the Miller High Life Theater from the Hilton? Don't worry – help will be on hand. Volunteers from Milwaukee's convention bureau will be lining the walking route to make sure we all know where we are going. They will be on the route for both sound check and prior to the quartet competition. Route starts in the lower lobby near the Miller Time Pub.

Check out their website (visitmilwaukee.org) for more Milwaukee info.

#17 – YOUR CONVENTION STEERING COMMITTEE

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

Chair of the Regional Convention (CRC)

Shelly Hughes, Melodeers &
Midwest Crossroad

Events Coordinator (EVC)

Cindy Slowik, Midwest Crossroad

Competition Coordinator (CC)

Michelle Adams, Vermillion Valley Show

Official Panel Liaisons (OPL)

Jane Baines & Barb Godwin, 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**