

RFC audition procedure

RFC is an auditioned choir in order to maintain its high standard of performance and blended quality.

To that end, it strives to have members who are committed to learning a full range of choral music and to attending rehearsals; who are happy to practice their parts in between rehearsals and who will not 'pick and choose' which concerts they rehearse for and perform in.

Whilst being able to read music is not essential, those who do not are expected to support the choirs' development by learning their music at home regularly.

Auditions will be arranged by the Registrar after you have been to several rehearsals and you must have passed an audition before you can sing in a concert. All RFC members are re-auditioned every 3 years.

Auditions take place during the break in a rehearsal and, whenever possible, are done in groups of 4 or 5 singers of the same section of the choir with the MD and accompanist.

They will usually consist of singing excerpts of the music currently in rehearsal, alongside a very short piece of sight-reading and some aural tests – all delivered in a supportive manner. These will be followed by written feedback from the MD.

Following a successful audition, the annual membership subscription will be payable within 3 weeks and you will receive an RFC membership pack.