



Orange Community Master Chorale
Tree Lighting and Candlelight Procession

Dear Chorale Members and Friends,

The **30th Annual City of Orange Tree Lighting and Candlelight Procession** will be on December 8, 2024, at the City of Orange Plaza Park. This event will be attended by over 5,000 residents, friends, and local dignitaries. The Orange Community Master Chorale along with high school and local church choirs will be joined by a full orchestra and the St. John's Lutheran School Children's Choir to ring in the holiday season.

In past years, the City of Orange has funded the event. The City is currently experiencing a budget deficit that has impacted many of the community events that are important experiences for those who live in this historic and treasured city. While the City Council wants to continue funding these events, they have determined that it will not be possible now. This provides an opportunity for those who are willing and able to underwrite cherished events with the full support of the city council. We need your financial support.

Below are two separate ways you can be a financial partner in the 2024 Tree Lighting event.

Master Chorale Orchestra

The Master Chorale has committed to fund the cost of the orchestra in 2024. There are approximately 50 musicians as part of this ensemble. To fully cover this cost, we need to raise \$12,000. Of course, any donations will be graciously accepted. Below are some specific donor options for which we will provide recognition among the musicians. To support this fundraiser, please make checks payable to **OC Friends of Music**.

Designated sponsor levels:

Scissor Lift (1)	\$1,000
Harp (1)	\$500
Keyboard (1)	\$500
Herald Trumpet	\$500
Violin (12)	\$300
Other strings (10)	\$250

Percussion (2)	\$250
Wind (6)	\$250
Brass (12)	\$250

General Tree Lighting Costs (lighting, sound, security, traffic control, etc.)

Should you be interested in supporting other areas of the Tree Lighting, your separate donation should be paid through the **Community Foundation of Orange**. Further details are provided in the attached including a summary of the major donor levels along with the recognition summaries for each level. Consider speaking with organizations you work with about donating. A separate letter with the donation details can be provided to you to help initiate this conversation.

To meet the financial commitments to fund the **30th Annual City of Orange Tree Lighting and Candlelight Procession**, we are asking that donations be sent by October 15, 2024.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly at 714-325-7648.

Sincerely,

Michael Short
Director, Orange Community Master Chorale