



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST : WHITEHORSE CAROLS COUCH CHOIR

After the success of the first Whitehorse Couch Choir, and to bring us all together once more in the spirit of Christmas - Whitehorse Council is currently putting together a Christmas Carols Couch Choir to bring our community together in a joyful holiday - albeit remote - way.

We are reaching out to the Whitehorse community to sing along to the uplifting Christmas Carols 'Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer', 'Santa Claus is Coming to Town' and 'We Wish You A Merry Christmas'.

We will be working with Oriel Entertainment Group who did the first Whitehorse Couch Choir:
<https://youtu.be/xDJOcpAhIYU>

We will be asking people from the Whitehorse community to record themselves singing/dancing/playing an instrument/ sharing joy on their phone which we will edit into a huge collage of Whitehorse coming together, at Christmas, at home.

We will provide you with all the information you need to make recording easy, as well as guide tracks to sing along with, tips and ideas to make it fun!

We are looking for individuals, families, businesses, community groups – anyone who lives or works in the City of Whitehorse, to be involved in one of 6 ways:

- Featured Singers – If you love to sing and feel confident with your voice to sing either a solo or some harmony lines then we want you to submit as a *Featured Singer* so we can allocate some featured moments from those in the choir.
(We will send successful Featured Singers sheet music, lyrics and a guide track of their solo/harmony to sing along to)
- Melody Singers – If you love to sing and would like to sing along to the melody of the song, either on your own or with your whole family. You will be mixed together with all the other community members singing as a big, beautiful choir, so will not ever be singing on your own.
(We will send Choral Singers a lyric sheet and a guide track to sing along to.)
- Sign Language or interpretive sharing of the song – If you speak or communicate through sign language, or love interpreting lyric through movement, we would love you to send in a video of yourself Signing the lyrics of the song, or interpreting the lyrics and feeling of the song through movement.
(We will send you a guide track to Dance/Sign along to)
- Musician – If you are a musician in Whitehorse that plays Piano, Guitar or Drums, we would love to get a video of you playing your instrument along to the song.
(We will provide Musicians with sheet music/chords and a guide/click track to play along to.)
- Joy, Fun, Dancing Video – If you and your family/business/community group want to have a boogie or share some joy and fun but not give us audio of you singing. We would love you to send in a short video of yourself miming or dancing along/ having a boogie and sharing joy with the guide track in the background. Either waving and smiling to camera, blowing a kiss to camera, hugging a pet or loved one from your home, hugging yourself, anything that feels joyful and relevant to Whitehorse community or sharing the Christmas spirit, sending love remotely, dressing up, playing air guitar, acting out the lyrics, props, pets all welcome! (We will send Dancing/Joy video participants a guide track to dance and have fun along to)

Please send your Expressions of Interest to: arts@whitehorse.vic.gov.au
BY No later than **Friday 13th November.**