



Are you an advanced handbell ringer with the talent, ambition, and the commitment to join Sarasota's only elite ringing ensemble – Ring Sarasota.

Auditions for our upcoming season will be held soon. Auditions for open positions are held annually and the most qualified 16 ringers will be selected. Neither the ringers nor the director are paid for their activities.

Auditions will be conducted by the Music Director and qualified assistant, and consist of four main sections:

- A written questionnaire covering personal background and basic handbell notation.
- Rhythm exercises.
- Ensemble ringing. All auditionees will be asked to ring a given selection. Sight-reading, proper form and technique will be judged.
- A conversation with the Musical Director and assistant about the group's expectations.

Successful applicants will be required to commit to the choir for one year, including regular weekly rehearsals, Monday evenings 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., and all concert appearances.

AUDITION APPLICATION

(Please print legibly)

Name _____ **Date of Birth** _____

Email Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Daytime Phone _____ **Evening Phone** _____

Position(s) normally rung _____

Position Preferred _____

Number of years you have been involved in handbells? _____

Can You Shelly? Y N **Can you ring 4-in-hand? Y N**

Do you currently ring with a Church/School handbell Choir? Y N

Name of Church/School _____

Director's Name _____

Other Musical experiences (other instruments, music education,

etc.) _____

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