

Ring Sarasota

Ring Sarasota is looking for advanced handbell ringers who might be interested in ringing challenging music with us as substitute ringers for the next season.

Applicants must be able to ring level 3 and higher music.

Auditions for open positions are held in the Spring.

Ring Sarasota has adopted a COVID-19 policy stating that all ringers will be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 as recommended by the CDC. Also, ringers are expected to adhere to all mitigation protocols (such as masking) per CDC recommendations.

Auditions consist of four main sections:

- Written application (attached) covering musical background and handbell ringing experience.
- Assessment of sight-reading, rhythm, proper form, and technique.
- Ringing a given selection with the full ensemble.
- Conversation with the Principal Conductor and Audition Committee about the group's expectations.

Successful applicants will be required to commit to the ensemble for one year, including regular sectionals, weekly full-group rehearsals, and all concert appearances. The group rehearses on Monday evenings starting with sectionals at 6:30 p.m., followed by full-group rehearsals from 7-9 p.m.

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 Shelley? Y N Can you ring 4-in-hand? Y N

Name the most challenging piece of music you have performed including difficulty level if known. _____

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

If so, how many octaves does your choir ring? 2 3 4 5

Name of Church/School _____

Director's Name _____

Other Musical experiences (other instruments, music education, etc.)

To schedule your audition, email this form to: Rick@ringsarasota.org or mail to: Ring Sarasota, PO Box 21153, Sarasota, FL 34276