



ALBUQUERQUE 2018

Area 11 Festival/Conference

June 21–24, 2018

Embassy Suites Hotel and Spa

Albuquerque, New Mexico

FESTIVAL GENERAL INFORMATION **PLEASE READ BEFORE REGISTERING**

Check in begins Thursday, June 21st at 4:00 p.m.

OPTIONAL Pre-Conference Bell Tree OR Solo/Ensemble Workshop:

Thursday from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (*Check-in begins at 9:00 a.m.*)

OPTIONAL Saturday ONLY Session (*Check-in from 8:00 – 8:45 a.m.*)

Opening Night Buffet & Opening Bell: Thursday @ 6:00 p.m.

Festival Concert & Closing Bell: Sunday @ 2:00 p.m.

Ring Up! Tracks: *If you are not sure which track to choose, consult with your director*

Ring Up! Copper-Lite to Copper (Level 2 – 3)

Ring Up! Copper to Bronze (Level 3 – 4)

Ring Up! Polished Bronze (Level 4+)

Ring Up Position:

You will have up to three choices. We will do our best to accommodate one of these choices. If you do not request a ringing position, we will assign you where needed in the Ringing Up! Track you have chosen.

Repertoire: There is NO MUSIC to purchase! Music packets are included in the Registration Fee. You will receive the music packet for your ringing track when you check-in on June 21st in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The music is yours to mark as needed and for you to keep. Yes, everyone will be sight-reading on Day 1.

OPTIONAL Conference Choir: This option is for Polished Bronze ringers only who can't get enough ringing! It will be a more concentrated, advanced ringing experience. You must also sign up and participate in the Ringing Up! Polished Bronze Track. Conference Choir rehearsals might take priority over class time. **Music (2 pieces) must be purchased by registrant and prepared in advance. Repertoire and ringing position will be available by April 1st.** Minimum of 12 registrants needed. Other than cost to purchase music in advance, there is no additional cost to registrant for this option.

OPTIONAL Pre-Conference Bell Tree OR Solo/Ensemble Workshop: Thursday, June 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., \$50.00. Lunch is available for \$25.00. Forté will be our clinicians for

these workshops which are open to all ringers, regardless of experience level. You can only register for **ONE** of the workshop options. Come prepared with a piece you are working on, or just come to sit in on the workshop and learn the tips and techniques for this style of ringing. *A minimum of 12 registrants is required for each workshop by March 15th to avoid cancellation of the workshop.* All Pre-Conference Bell Tree **OR** Solo/Ensemble Workshop participants are invited to stay through the evening for our Opening Night Buffet and evening activity. See Fee Options below.

Feature Showcase Concert:

We're excited to announce the feature showcase concert by *Forté* from Colorado. They are one of the world's finest handbell ensembles. Tickets can be purchased by the general public at the door for \$10.00.

OPTIONAL Showcase Concert:

The Saturday Showcase Concert features performances by many of the Festival Registrants AND YOU! Perform as a choir, a small ensemble, or a solo. Participation is 'optional.' If you choose to participate, please come prepared! Rehearsal time is limited.

Classes:

Forté will serve as our primary faculty teaching a variety of classes on topics from ergonomics-based techniques, to conducting, to assignment methods, as well as musical concepts for beginners and veterans alike.

Handbell Musicians of America Membership:

A current Handbell Musicians of America membership number must accompany every registration. This number can be found on your "Overtones" cover label. If you are not an Individual Member, you may use your Director's or Group's number. If a membership number is not provided, \$95 is added to the registration fee. Area 11 will enroll the Registrant and provide a one-year Handbell Musicians of America membership.

HOTEL INFORMATION: Registration fee **DOES NOT** include hotel accommodations. The Embassy Suites Hotel and Spa, 1000 Woodward Place NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico is the festival/conference headquarters hotel. ***You must make you own room reservation by contacting the hotel. Reservations must be made by individuals no later than May 20, 2018.*** Identify yourself by using *Handbell Musicians of America Area 11* group name. Call 1-800-362-2779 or contact the hotel directly at 1-505-245-7100 to make your reservation, or use the link below.

<http://embassysuites3.hilton.com/en/hotels/new-mexico/embassy-suites-by-hilton-albuquerque-hotel-and-spa-ABQEMES/index.html>

Room rates: Room rates are exclusive of local taxes and fees. Room rates include a Complimentary cooked-to-order breakfast and Complimentary 2 hour Evening Reception to include cocktails and light snacks, daily. Also included is complimentary parking; refrigerator and microwave in each suite; 24 hour business center; 24 hour Fitness Center; Heated Pool with sundeck and hot tub.

Single - \$149.00 per night

Double/Triple - \$159.00 per night

Off-Site Lodging Surcharge:

Registrants who live outside a 60 mile radius from the hotel and choose not to stay at the Embassy Suites Hotel must pay an off-site lodging surcharge of \$100.00. This helps insure we meet our contracted room blocks, keeping all costs as low as possible.

FULL FESTIVAL REGISTRATION FEE includes all concerts, workshops and classes, music packet for Ringing Up! Track, meeting space, and ringing equipment needed to participate (bells, chimes, tables, pads). Meals that are included with registration are Thursday opening night buffet, Friday lunch, Saturday lunch, Saturday evening Ring of Fame Banquet, and Sunday lunch.

Registration Options:

We have two methods for registering. Online registration and payment with credit card is available. Processing fees will apply when registering online. You can also register by snail mail and pay by check. Registration links for the method you choose are at the bottom of this instruction sheet.

Full Festival Registration (postmarked on/or before **March 15, 2018**) \$350.00

Additional Late Registration Fee (postmarked between **March 16, 2018 and May 1, 2018**) \$100.00

Non-Registrant Package (includes ALL concerts and Festival Meals)
Must be postmarked before **May 1, 2018** \$200.00

Saturday Evening Ring of Fame Banquet ONLY (includes *Forté* Concert) \$70.00

Non-Registrant Feature Showcase Concert ONLY with *Forté* \$10.00

OPTIONAL PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP FEE OPTIONS:

Pre-Conference Workshop (postmarked before **March 15, 2018**) \$50.00

Thursday Lunch \$25.00

Opening Night Buffet and Evening Activity \$50.00

Handbell Musicians of America Membership Fee (if not a member) \$95.00

OPTIONAL SATURDAY ONLY OPTION:

Although we hope you will want to have the Full Festival experience, a Saturday ONLY option is available which includes workshops, classes, ringing track observation for Saturday ONLY and Saturday lunch buffet. Check-in will be on Saturday, June 23 from 8:00 – 8:45 a.m. Six class options will be offered. Classes begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 6:00 p.m. Tickets to Saturday Evening Ring of Fame Banquet and *Forté* Concert are available for additional fee. See Saturday ONLY Registration Form for fee breakdown. Registration must be paid in full and postmarked on or before **May 1, 2018**.

Refund Policy:

Refunds, minus a \$200 cancellation fee, will be allowed until June 1, 2018. After that date, if special circumstances prevent a registrant from attending, you may petition the Area 11 Executive Committee for a refund. Please contact the Area 11 Chair, chair.area11@handbellmusicians.org.

FESTIVAL T-SHIRT OPTIONS

Unisex 5.2 oz. ComfortSoft® Cotton T-Shirt

Adult Unisex 6.1 oz. Tagless® Long-Sleeve T-Shirt

Yellow



Yellow



Hanes Short Sleeve Yellow, Model 5280

Sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL

Features:

Shoulder-to-shoulder tape

Tag-free neck label

Coverseamed neck with lay flat collar

Double-needle stitching throughout

100% ComfortSoft Cotton

S—XL \$12.00

2XL— \$15.00

3XL— \$16.00

Hanes Long Sleeve Yellow, Model 5586

Sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL

Features:

Comfortable rib knit cuffs

Shoulder-to-shoulder tape

Tag-free neck label

Coverseamed neck with lay flat collar

Double-needle stitching throughout

100% ComfortSoft Cotton

S—XL \$20.00

2XL— \$22.00

3XL— \$23.00

Gildan Adult Unisex Ultra Cotton® 6 oz.
Gold



Gildan Adult Unisex Ultra Cotton® 6 oz.
Gold



Gildan Short Sleeve Gold, Model G200

Sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL

Features:

Taped shoulder-to-shoulder

Seamless collar

Double-needle stitching throughout

100% preshrunk cotton

S—XL \$12.00

2XL— \$15.00

3XL— \$16.00

4XL— \$17.00

5XL— \$18.00

Gildan Long Sleeve Gold, Model G240

Sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL

Features:

Ribbed Cuffs

Taped shoulder-to-shoulder

Double-needle stitching throughout

100% preshrunk cotton

S—XL \$20.00

2XL— \$22.00

3XL— \$23.00

4XL— \$24.00

5XL— \$25.00

You're ready to start!

Mail-in Registration form (*links to forms are on website*) with payment by check:

Online Registration with payment by credit card:

<https://2018albuquerque-area11festival.eventbrite.com>