

# OC CENTER STAGE

## Now's the time to send in your submission for OC Center Stage 2020!

If you're not sure where to start, here are a few best practices for creating your submission video.

Submissions are judged on creativity, originality, technical ability and audience appeal. But the most important piece? Give us a sense of **YOU** performing live. Lyric videos, audio files, or music videos that do not show you performing can't show us how great you might look on our stage! For vocal submissions, please do not use vocal backing tracks.

Videos do not need to be professionally shot. The best videos show **YOU** off. When filming a video, consider:

- **Visibility** – Does the lighting allow us to see you performing? Is the camera stable? Does it give a clear picture of what your performance will look like?
- **Sound quality** – Are you in a quiet space, or are you unintentionally harmonizing with your neighbor's dog? If you've got a pesky echo, sound may be bouncing off hard surfaces, including floors, walls, and high ceilings. Recording in a carpeted or curtained space may help!
- **Content** – Does your video show the piece you intend to perform if selected? Does it contain any off-color language or subject matter? Is it six minutes or under?

Being a good citizen and practicing social distancing from other members of your performance group? We encourage you to submit a video from a previous performance or get creative through videoconferencing platforms like Zoom.

Still have questions?

Contact our Community Engagement team at [Community@scfta.org](mailto:Community@scfta.org).