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THE PODD BROTHERS Virtual Choir Kits

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This guide walks you through the process of making your video for your virtual choir in four easy steps:



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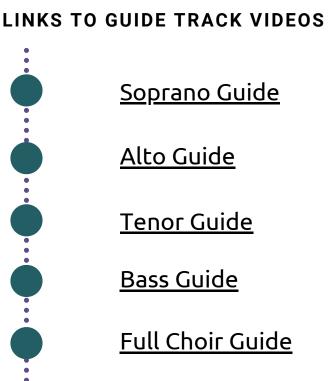
Learn the U1Music

Each track in the Virtual Choir Kit comes with a collection of Guide Track Videos, where the score and sound are synchronized. (No paper! No turning pages!)

There's one Guide Track Video for each voice part. You can hear only the part you sing, which makes learning the arrangement easy.

There's also a "Full Choir Guide" video if you'd like to hear all the parts together.





Full Choir Guide

Set Up Your Shot 02

Once you've learned your music and feel ready to record, you will need two devices to make your recording: a **Guide Device** (computer or tablet) and a **Recording Device** (smartphone). You will also need **Headphones**.

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SET UP YOUR GUIDE DEVICE

- Set up the Guide Device at eye level so your gaze is natural while you record. You may need to stack books or use a dresser.
- Connect Headphones to the Guide Device. (VERY important!)
- On your Guide Device, cue up the Guide Track Video that you plan to sing along with for your recording.

SET UP YOUR RECORDING DEVICE (SMARTPHONE).

- Set up your Recording Device as close to your Guide Device as possible so that your gaze is close to your camera. Frame your shot using the device's front-facing camera.
- Use a tripod or make your own stand for the **Recording Device**. Be creative!



A singer wearing **Headphones** attached to the **Guide Device**



Recording Device



An example of a good final setup. The **Recording Device** (smartphone) is very close to the **Guide Device** (laptop), and both are at eye level with the singer, who has her **Headphones** connected to her **Guide Device**.

03 Make Your Recording

Once both of your devices are set up, you are ready to record.

Make sure your **Recording Device** is set to take video and press "Record."

Press "Play" on your **Guide Device** to start your Guide Track Video. (The sound should <u>only</u> be coming through your headphones.)

Be sure to follow the directions and CLAP on beat 4 when indicated, making sure your hands are visible. Sing along with your part.

When you get to the end of the piece, wait at least 2 seconds after the music stops, then stop your Recording Device.

PRO TIPS TO MAKE SURE YOUR VIDEO TURNS OUT GREAT



An example of a well-framed, well-lit landscape shot.

LAYOUT/ORIENTATION

Your shot should be landscape/horizontal.

LIGHTING

Make your face is the brightest thing in the video by facing the window or light source. Avoid being backlit.

NOISE CANCELING

Minimize all background noise (air conditioners, fans, TVs, white noise machines, etc.)

HAVE FUN

Let your enthusiasm show! It makes a big difference. If you find yourself getting tired or frustrated, take a break, and come back refreshed to record a new video.

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Submit your recording to your group's organizer. The method of delivering your video recording can vary from group to group. Your group's organizer will outline the best way for you to share your video with them in order to begin assembling your Virtual Choir video. To keep your video high quality, we advise against trying to email or text your recording.

CONGRATULATIONS!

You're done!

The final product is now one step closer to completion. Once all the individual videos are collected, they will be assembled and edited into an awesome virtual choir performance that you can share with your virtual audience.



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