

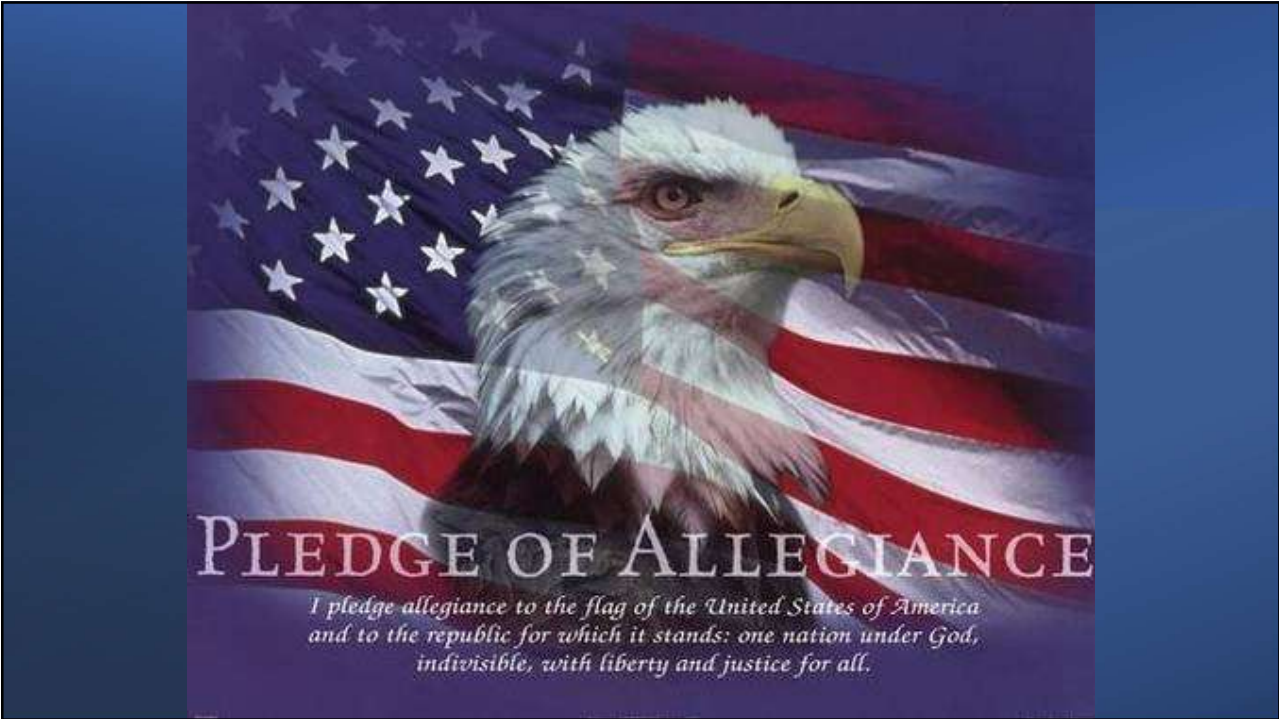
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All About Purdue Musical Organizations

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**William E. Griffel**  
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## *PMO - Who We Are*

Purdue Musical Organizations (PMO) is a department of **8** staff members and **300** students.

For more than 90 years (since 1933), our students have proudly served as Ambassadors of goodwill on campus, across the country, and around the world. PMO allows Purdue students to engage with music at a high level, embedding the arts into their Purdue education through extra curricular participation, while pursuing degrees in a wide variety of disciplines.



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## *PMO - The Basics*

- All members of PMO ensembles are volunteers. Students do not receive credit for their participation.
- Our budget is supported:
  - 21% university support
  - 17% performance income
  - 62% donor support
- PMO students put in a minimum of 10 hours a week in rehearsals as well as 75 performances a year (in total). In addition, they participate in many other activities at Bailey Hall such as social, professional development, and philanthropy events.
- PMO is a nearly fee-free organization. Students are charged a one-time costume fee upon joining, and each student pays \$100 per semester to support our technology program. Domestic travel is covered nearly 100% with the exception of an occasional meal. We are committed to remaining accessible to all students.
- PMO turns away 50-70% of its auditioners annually due to space, budget and staffing limitations. Demand is much higher than we can currently meet.



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## PMO - Our Ensembles

Purdue Varsity Glee Club



Purdue Bells



Purduettes



Heart & Soul



University Choir



All Campus & Community Chorale (AC3)






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## Purdue Christmas Show



Now in our 93<sup>rd</sup> Year!

Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Payne and Mencias Palladium for the Performing Arts  
Carmel, IN

12:00, 4:00, 8:00 p.m. performances

Tickets can be purchased on Ticketmaster or by calling the  
Palladium directly.

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*PMO – Thank You!*



Thank you for your support of PMO and our students!  
Please visit us at an open rehearsal in Bailey Hall sometime! We'd love to give you a tour.

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**Next Meeting – July 6, 2026**  
10AM – Kurz Purdue Technology Center

What’s in Your Bathroom Cabinet

Sarah Kennedy and Pharmacy Students

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