



Creative Arts Team

Commitment & Expectations

1. Spiritual Preparation:

We believe in order for us to feed others, we must first be fed to the core of our being. Some of the best moments with God can be when it's just you and Him together where He crafts your character. We encourage you to have different outlets of ways to connect with God.

Examples: personal daily devotions, life groups, one on one time with a mentor.

You never know, God may use your time with Him as a way to give you inspiration or ideas for this very team! As you put your focus on God, remember to pray for the people you are about to serve and reach during services.

Like in James 4:8 (NIV) "Come near to God, and he will come near to you."

2. Personal Preparation:

To move from being just artists to artisans, we must always seek to improve and master our craft. We want to grow and be prepared in our craft of music, video, audio, lighting, online, and connecting.

Rehearsals are infinitely smoother when everyone has listened to, practiced with and memorized the scheduled music and/or familiarized themselves with the service flow and scripts. Being prepared also means having any gear or equipment that you intend to use on Sunday with you for practice

For musicians and singers: Lyric sheets or chord charts are provided on Planning Center Online

Unless otherwise posted, you are expected to learn your parts exactly like the MP3 (for worship team) , giving special attention to the tonal qualities of each instrument. For teamwork to happen effectively, we rely on you to play your part accordingly.

3. Social Media Lifestyle:

Not only are people watching you when you are LIVE on a Sunday, they are watching how you post and interact on your personal social media accounts during the week. We ask that you use wisdom and discernment about what you are posting/sharing and ask yourself before you share or post, *“Will this be pleasing and gratifying to God as a representative and ambassador of Christ?”*

Like it says in Ephesians 4:29 (NIV) “Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs.”

4. Attitude:

When ideas or suggestions are presented and received with a good attitude, the results are monumental for effective team building. If there are technical, communication or miscellaneous complications, keep attitudes positive and morale high. Be open to the constructive criticism of the team leader and team members. They are trying to pull out every bit of greatness, so be patient and receptive of constructive feedback.

As in Romans 12:10 (NIV) “Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.”

5. Punctuality:

Everyone's time is valuable. It's important that everyone be punctual for rehearsals so that we can use our limited time as efficiently as possible. Arriving early is always a great idea. If an unexpected situation arises and you know you will be late, please communicate as quickly as possible with your team leader.

Like it says in 1 Corinthians 14:40 (NIV) "But everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way."

6. Dress:

We want to avoid as many wardrobe malfunctions as possible. But we also want to eliminate as many distractions as possible from people experiencing God fully. This will make for a more comfortable experience for both you and those attending in-person and online.

*Remember this saying: Touch the sky... touch your toes...
if anything shows... change your clothes!*

Examples of clothes that aren't appropriate:

- Holey jeans
- Hoodies with strings
- Tops that show cleavage
- Flip flops, slides, slippers, or crocs
- Tops that show shoulders (unless you can cover it with a cardigan or shawl),
- Pants or leggings that are too tight that show every contour (unless you have a long enough
- top that extends well below your fingertips),
- Shirts with words, big labels, writing, or pictures on them
- Shorts & Short skirts (make sure the length of dresses are well below the knee)

We ask that you refrain from wearing any clothes with labels, words, writing, or pictures on them. This can be distracting and make it to where the viewer is paying more attention to your clothes than what is being said or portrayed. Our attention and the focus of the church's attention should be on God. Our goal is to help people experience the

fullness of God, not ourselves. Even though some people say: “If you aint crocking you aint rockin!” We ask that you refrain from wearing crocs, casual flip flops, slippers, slides, and others types of footwear while serving. Girls can wear opened toed shoes, but we ask that guys keep their piggly wiggles covered up with closed toe footwear. We hope these simple guidelines can help you feel more confident while serving our church.

Like it says in Matthew 5:16 (NIV) “In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your father in heaven.”

7. Flexibility:

Life happens! The word “flexibility” is just a slang for grace. We understand that things can come up at the last minute and we will be as flexible as we can with your schedule and time! We also appreciate you being flexible and working with us. We will all operate and treat each other with grace and love.

John 13:35 (ESV) reminds us that “By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Please read, sign, and date at the bottom of this page

I _____ (please print name) have read the commitments and expectations expected of a team member of the Creative Arts Team and I will commit to these expectations and to serving Jesus through this ministry.

Signature: _____ Date: _____