



Aquidneck Singers Newsletter

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Want to be featured in our Singer Spotlight? Click [here](#) to complete the Questionnaire!

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Voice Part: Soprano 2

Favorite Aquidneck Singers song (so far)? La Lluvia

Why is it your favorite song? It's complex and simple at the same time, and sounds amazing (when we get it)!

What is your favorite song that you have ever sung with a choir? Why? One Voice, love the three part harmony ❤️

What is your "go-to" music? Folk, Americana, dance music (music I can sing and/or dance to! 😊)

What are THREE words you would use to describe yourself? Loving, busy, dedicated

Occupation (if retired, what was your occupation?) Dentist

What cities/towns have you lived in throughout your life?

Attleboro, MA; Syracuse, NY; Boston, MA; Mansfield, MA; Portsmouth, RI



What is your "can't live without" food? Tie between fresh fish, chocolate, ice cream

What is your idea of a perfect Saturday or "day off"? Time to myself, time with my family, then a party or cookout with all my friends and loved ones

Where would you like to travel that you have not been? Many places, but first to all our country's beautiful places and national parks

Where is a place you have visited that you would love to go back to? Europe, Aruba



What is an interesting thing about you that few people know? My middle name is Randolph 🤪

What is the last book you read? The Light Between Oceans, by M.L. Stedman

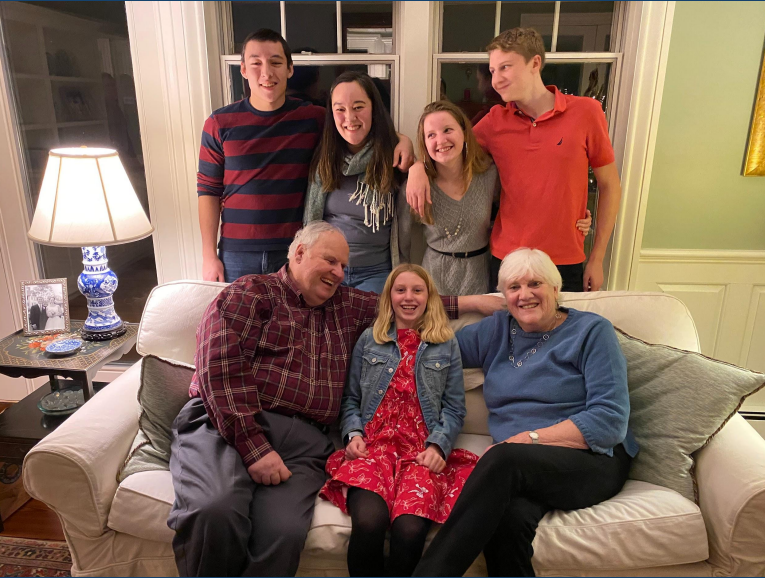
What is a book on your bedside table that you've been meaning to read, but haven't yet? Teeth; The Story of Beauty, Inequality, and the Struggle for Oral Health in America

What has been a challenge about quarantine? What has been a joy? Owning a small business with loss of income; A forced break to spend more time with my children ❤️



Singer Spotlight: Lindsay Cassidy

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Where would you like to travel that you have not been? New Zealand

Where is a place you have visited that you would love to go back to? Wales, Switzerland

What is an interesting thing about you that few people know? I am kind of an open book. I can't think of anything!!

What is the last book you read? Inland, by Tea Obreht

What is a book on your bedside table that you've been meaning to read, but haven't yet? I haven't finished Hillbilly Elegy. It's been next to my bed for at least a year.

What has been a challenge about quarantine? What has been a joy? It's been tough not to be with my friends and family, but we have learned to use Zoom. It's been lovely to take so many walks.

Barbara Watterson

Voice Part: Alto

Favorite Aquidneck Singers song (so far)? One Voice

What is it your favorite song? So hard to choose. I think probably one of the great requiems - either Mozart or Verdi.

What is your favorite song that you have ever sung with a choir? Why? Dona Nobis Pacem, by Vaughan Williams. I love both the music and the text. For the same reason, I also love Benjamin Britten's War Requiem. The text for that is a set of poems written, mostly by young British soldiers, at the time of World War One. Britten was a pacifist, and he expresses his belief in the futility of war in this beautiful requiem.

What is your "go-to" music? Anything by the Beatles. Great harmonies. I know I am dating myself!

What are THREE words you would use to describe yourself? Impatient, curious, loyal
Occupation (if retired, what was your occupation?) Retired high-tech marketing manager

What cities/towns have you lived in throughout your life? Newport, Washington, DC suburbs, Boston suburbs, Westport, one lovely year in England

What is your "can't live without" food? Chocolate

What is your idea of a perfect Saturday or "day off"? Playing with my grandchildren (in photo), a delicious meal, a concert in a wonderful venue

Song Feature: Cuatro Baladas Amarillas (Four Yellow Ballads) by Bob Chilcott



About Cuatro Baladas Amarillas:

This is a highly effective setting of poems by [Federico Garcia Lorca](#). The music suggests the sounds, colours, and atmosphere of the [Andalusian](#) landscape. This powerful and evocative setting perfectly encapsulates the impressionistic, fantastical essence of Federico Garcia Lorca's writing.

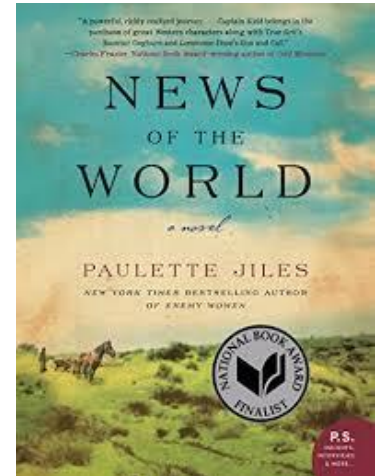
As a composer, conductor, and singer, [Bob Chilcott](#) has enjoyed a lifelong association with choral music, first as a chorister and choral scholar in the choir of King's College, Cambridge, and for 12 years as a member of the King's Singers. He became a full-time composer in 1997, and has produced a large catalogue of music for all types of choirs which is published by Oxford University Press. Bob has conducted choirs in more than 30 countries worldwide and has worked with many thousands of amateur singers across the UK in a continuing series of Singing Days. For seven years he was conductor of the Chorus of The Royal College of Music in London and since 2002 he has been Principal Guest Conductor of the BBC Singers.

Coming together to make music is a profoundly unique human experience. In this [video](#), Bob Chilcott talks about the art of learning music, as well as how music brings us together and crosses boundaries that otherwise might never be crossed.

Lindsay and Barbara recommend...

Barbara suggests:

News of the World by Paulette Jiles: In the aftermath of the Civil War, an aging itinerant news reader agrees to transport a young captive of the Kiowa back to her people in this exquisitely rendered, morally complex, multilayered novel of historical fiction from the author of *Enemy Women* that explores the boundaries of family, responsibility, honor, and trust.



Note: This book was recommended by the "Janets" in Volume 2, as well! Must be good!



Lindsay recommends
singer/songwriter
[Brandi Carlile](#).

Lindsay says:
*Brandi Carlile is my favorite!!
Amazing talent, folk
rock/singer songwriter,
feminist, best concert I've ever
seen (each time). She's tiny
with the most powerful voice.*



Barbara recommends these movies for a "fun lift" during lock-down:

[Best in Show](#)

[Being There](#)

Singer Recommendations