

2026 Region Application Guide

The purpose of this guide is to support members in navigating the new online application for Performing Choirs, Interest Sessions, Poster Sessions, Insight Choirs, and all other 2026 Region Calls. The system is now integrated into your ACDA membership portal, which is designed to provide a streamlined process for all members.

Before You Begin: In order to apply or even be able to view the applications, your ACDA membership must be current. You are encouraged to check your status and log in NOW in order to secure help before you need to begin. See the Troubleshooting Guide at the end of this document for more information

Step 1: Access the Applications

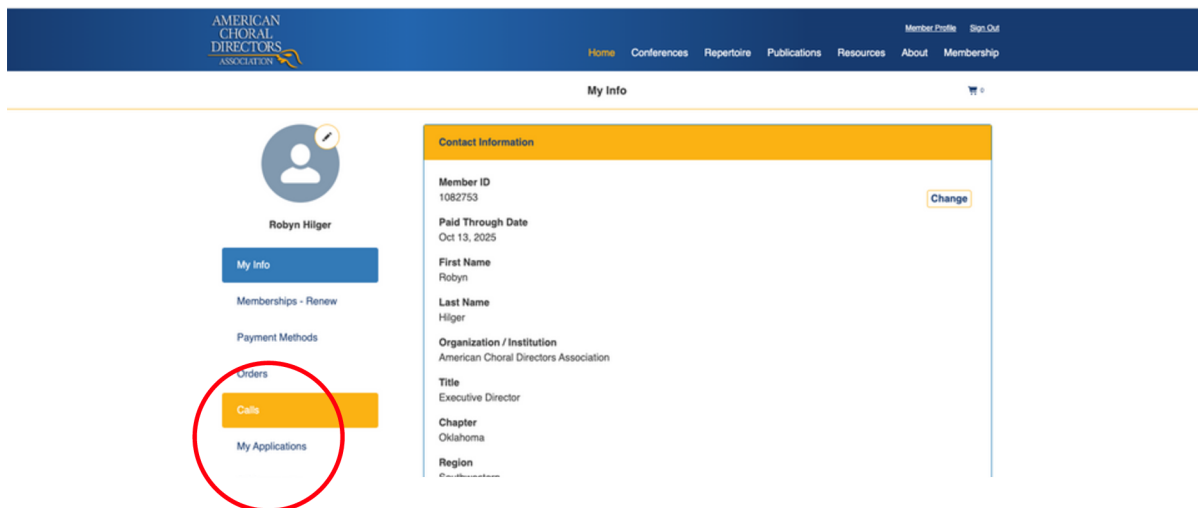
- Log in to your ACDA account with the instructions below
 - www.acda.org
 - Click the Sign In button in the upper right and sign into your ACDA account. *Need help? See Troubleshooting below or email membership@acda.org*



- Once logged in
 - Click the My Profile button in the upper right



- When you are on your profile
 - Click on **Calls** in the left navigation to see all the available applications
 - Click on **Applications** to see your Submitted and Incomplete applications



Example of the Open Calls Page

my.acda.org/ly/calls

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Preview Upcoming Calls

Open Calls

2026 ACDA Western Interest Sessions

Apply

Last Day to Submit	Fee(s)	Type
Apr 1, 2025	\$0	Interest Sessions

The ACDA Western Region (WACDA) welcomes submissions for innovative, applicable and inspiring interest sessions for our 2026 conference. We encourage submissions that address the conference theme *A Tapestry of Voices*, the depth and breadth of our membership and sessions that actively engage participants. All topics will receive consideration and will be evaluated for scholarly content, variety, innovation, value, pedagogical strength, and relativity to current trends in the choral profession. A detailed rubric for evaluating proposals will be provided on the conference website.

2026 ACDA Western Poster Sessions

Apply

Last Day to Submit	Fee(s)	Type
Apr 1, 2025	\$0	

The ACDA Western Region invites submissions for research and best practice poster presentations. We encourage submissions that address the conference theme *A Tapestry of Voices*, the diversity of our membership, and are theoretically grounded. Presenters will also have the option to participate in a private small group mentoring session before the poster session.

2026 ACDA Western Performing Choirs

Apply

Last Day to Submit	Fee(s)	Type
Apr 15, 2025	\$25	Performing Choirs

ACDA Western Region (WACDA) is extending an open invitation to performing groups for the 2026 *A Tapestry of Voices* regional conference in San Jose, California. We encourage submissions from conductors and choral ensembles that address the conference theme *A Tapestry of Voices*, highlighting the depth and breadth of our membership and how our individual threads intertwine to create a stronger musical fabric. Acknowledging the unique value of each ensemble, applicants will share how they connect within their communities and embody the conference theme.

Example of Applications Page

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New Application

Click below to start a new application or view and manage your applications below.

+ New Application

View / Manage Applications

IncompleteSubmitted

APP-000022: 2026 SWACDA Performing Choirs

Proceed to CheckoutView Submission

Application Status	Cognito Status	Fee
Incomplete	Submitted	\$50

APP-000013: 2026 SWACDA Performing Choirs

Proceed to CheckoutView Submission

Application Status	Cognito Status	Fee	Sales Order
Awaiting Payment	Submitted	\$50	010465739

Troubleshooting

These are the most common issues experienced when using the new system. You are encouraged to ensure your account access is up to date long before you need to submit your application.

The help desk is available up until 5:00pm central time on deadline dates. After that point, no help will be available and late applications will not be received for any reason. It is entirely the applicants responsibility to ensure they can access their applications and accounts prior to the deadline closing. You can reach the help desk at membership@acda.org.

- **Lapsed Membership:** If you can log into your ACDA account but do not see any applications, it is likely that your membership has lapsed. Please go through the renewal process to ensure your membership is current. Need help? Email membership@acda.org.
- **Account Access:** Are you trying to log in and find that you have forgotten your password and the password reset email never arrives? Please check your spam but it could also be that your online access is connected to an account you no longer use. You will need to contact us at membership@acda.org to have this access reset. We cannot retrieve your password for you. When you email, please indicate the new email you would like set for your portal access.
- **Log-In Loop:** Are you constantly being redirected to log-in and can't advance to the next step? To resolve this issue, you need to clear your browser cache (a google search can give you the quick directions) or try another browser.
- I've applied and now I want to see my application and status. Log into your ACDA account, click My Profile and then click Applications in the left navigation bar.
- Have other questions? Email us at membership@acda.org. Please be specific in your email regarding which application (indicate region and type of call) and be sure to provide a contact phone number in case we need to call you.

Application deadlines are firm. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure they can access their accounts and applications ahead of the deadline. Late applications will not be accepted for any reason, including account access or technical concerns.

For help or questions, email membership@acda.org