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If you listen carefully to the members of the Town Hall Choir after a rehearsal you will hear different sounds all the time. One time you hear “Nice singing this afternoon,” another time, “What a beautiful harmony.”

On the other hand, sometimes you also hear that the piano or grand piano was out of tune and even worse, sometimes you hear that the members as a choir sang out of tune or that there were a few members who were not so steady in tone “this afternoon”. Now the question is where this comes from and whether the piano and the singers become false in the same way.

<b>The piano</b>	<b>Man</b>
<p>A piano or grand piano becomes out of tune, there is little you can do about it. The longer there is between tunings, the harder it becomes to get your piano tuned and sounding nice again.</p> <p>Detuning happens even when you are not playing your piano.</p>	<p>Man becomes false, especially if you don't use the vocal cords. Everyone can learn to sing and as a human being you should also think that you can sing, so never say that the square empties when you sing. In the Feyenoord stadium, no one suffers from this modesty.</p> <p>It is also inadvisable for an elementary school teacher to shout that Bill had better shut up while singing because there will be a nasty hum in the song or even worse, as my music teacher at the Pedagogical Academy sometimes said to a student, “The words look familiar to me, but the melody.....”</p>
<p><b>What causes a piano to become out of tune?</b></p> <p>Your piano is made of natural materials. It is a wooden instrument with steel strings. These materials are both susceptible to deformation, due to temperature and humidity. Also, the strings of your piano will slowly stretch.</p> <p>Obviously, this happens when you play it, but even if it has been standing still for a while, the strings will lose tension. The tension of the string determines the frequency of vibration and therefore the note. If the piano is not tuned, it will sound out of tune.</p>	<p><b>What causes man to detune?</b></p> <p>Human beings, especially the vocal cords, are made of natural materials. The vocal cords are muscles and thus actually a kind of strings. This makes them sensitive to temperature and humidity. It is therefore better to go to the pub before rehearsal, than after that time. A decisive board takes care of this. For temperature, of course, we have to be with Graham and Dee, warm personalities, that's for sure.</p> <p>If the vocal cords are not tuned through proper breathing, lip trills, humming and soft bowls singing, then you can forget about pure singing.</p> <p>With this one, all excuses such as colds and dry throats are accepted.</p> <p>“I'm a little shaky,” from now on is no longer a good reason to cancel, the more trills the better.</p>

<p><b>Temperature and detuning</b></p> <p>Temperature changes and humidity have a great influence on the condition of your instrument. Even the sun shining inside, on your instrument, can cause large temperature fluctuations. Therefore, place your piano as far away as possible from a heater or fireplace and watch out for direct sunlight.</p> <p><b>Piano detunes due to move.</b></p> <p>Moving a piano is not easy. Its great weight and little grip makes it not easy to move your instrument. Do you like to change your interior? Try to keep your piano in the same place as much as possible. Do you really need to move? Then use professional piano movers. Sure, the basses of the Town Hall Choir are pot-bellied guys, but they can't match professional movers. Besides, they also have to deal with square wheels.</p> <p><b>A well-tuned piano, a delight to the ear.</b></p> <p>A well-tuned piano is wonderful to listen to and a joy to play.</p>	<p><b>Temperature and detuning</b></p> <p>We've already talked about humidity. Knowing the choir a little, we know that the humidity is fine, although in a new location many members do like to know where the restrooms are (rehearsal is only an hour and a half long!).</p> <p>Temperature changes also apply to choir members, of course. If you complain about the temperature you can't sing at the same time, don't even talk about "pure singing".</p> <p><b>Choir detunes due to move.</b></p> <p>Through the many moves of the Town Hall Choir, we have also observed that a choir can become detuned by a move. In the first place, of course, this is because the movers were not professional. You shouldn't leave something like that to the two board members, nice volunteers but clearly not professionals. With so many members you also have little to hold on to.</p> <p>The result was, and still is, that the voices are not in the right place and are still searching for the best arrangement. The conductor also notices this and regularly mixes up the whole thing. There you suddenly find yourself as a bass among forty-nine sopranos. That calls for a detuned choir.</p> <p><b>A well-tuned choir, a delight to the ear.</b></p> <p>Occasionally we manage to find the right arrangement, especially in the downstairs hall and then it is a joy to sing and to listen to.</p> <p>I am therefore pleased that vaccinations are now being given in the downstairs hall.</p>
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If you read the columns from left to right, you must come to the conclusion that the piano and man become detuned in roughly identical ways. Should you believe that there are other factors that could cause either of these two subjects to become detuned as well, I challenge you to write a column about it. I warn you in advance, you will have to be of good character to prove this.