



Senior Regional Orchestra Auditions – Strings, Piano & Harp

Monday, October 2nd, 2023

Justice High School

3301 Peace Valley Lane

Falls Church, VA 22044

Scales (30% of total score)

- All strings (and piano when applicable) will prepare all major and melodic minor scales up to three sharps and three flats; 3 octaves for violin, viola, cello, and 2 octaves for string bass. Four octaves for Piano. NO SCALES FOR HARP - there is a separate cadenza requirement instead. (see harp audition details).
- String scale bowings: ASCENDING: Two slurred, two martele, DESCENDING: four slurred.
- All scales will be played at quarter note = 120.
- ALL SCALES MUST BE MEMORIZED!

Prepared Excerpts (40% of total score)

- Please prepare each of the selected excerpts. You may be asked to play all of them, some of them, or parts of each. ***PLEASE NOTE* There is a brand new string rotation!** This is called "Rotation A"

Violin

- Von Weber: Overture to Oberon
- Beethoven: Symphony #9, 3rd mvt.

Viola

- Mozart: Symphony No. 35 "Haffner", 4th mvt.
- Elgar: Enigma Variations (play top/solo line + top divisi)

Cello -

- Rachmaninoff: Symphony #2, 2nd mvt.
- Wagner: Tristan and Isolde, Prelude (bracketed section)

Bass -

- Mahler: Symphony #2, 2nd mvt. (mm. 1-20) (top divisi)
- Tchaikovsky: Symphony #4, 4th mvt.

Harp -

- (in lieu of scales) - Tchaikovsky: Waltz of the Flowers, cadenza from "The Nutcracker"
- Debussy: Prelude to an Afternoon of a Faun, figure 2-4
- Capriccio Espagnol, mvt. 5, letter S through letter T

Piano -

3 Excerpts to be taken from the chosen repertoire of the 2023 NVSRO Event Program.

Sight-Reading (30% of total score)

- Sight-reading will be required of all the string and piano auditions.
- You will be given **30 seconds** to look at the sight-reading excerpt. You may not play during this time.
- After the time is up, you will be asked to start playing.