



## Music Scholarship Audition and Application Instructions

### Music Scholarship Information & Requirements

Northwest University is pleased to offer music scholarships to talented musicians for participation in a musical ensemble during enrollment. Scholarship amounts vary by instrument and ensemble at the discretion of Music Department faculty. Scholarships are renewable for a maximum of eight semesters when scholarship recipients remain in good standing with the university. Successful participation is required in at least one music ensemble as determined by Music Department faculty each semester for the duration of enrollment at Northwest University. Failure to meet these requirements results in loss of scholarship.

### Audition Overview

Regardless of whether you are an instrumentalist or vocalist, you may only be asked to perform only part of your prepared pieces. Faculty desire to see variety in your repertoire. This is a serious audition requiring appropriate business-casual attire. It is expected that you will come prepared to perform and to sight read/sight sing.

- Auditions typically last 10-15 minutes but may be shorter due to time constraints.
- If you play more than one instrument please choose the one you are most proficient in for your audition.
- Your audition should demonstrate variety in your repertoire.
- Please provide your own accompaniment or prepare an audition without accompaniment.  
No accompaniment is provided.
- Please arrive 10 or more minutes early to check-in and warm-up.

If you are unable to meet these expectations, this scholarship audition is not for you. The Music Department invites all students to audition for music ensembles at the beginning of the academic year.

### Instrumentalists

- Be prepared to play one piece. This should be a standard piece for your instrument, showing exact reproductions of all articulations, tempos, rhythms, phrasing, and dynamics.
- Be prepared to sight read something of the music faculty's choice.
- Please bring a copy of the music you will be performing.

### Pianists

- Be prepared to play two pieces in two different styles, showing piano technique and musicianship.
- Be prepared to sight read something of the music faculty's choice.
- Please bring a copy of the music you will be performing.

### Vocalists

- Be prepared to sing 1-2 pieces.
- Be prepared to sight read something of the music faculty's choice.
- Please bring a copy of the music you will be performing.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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