

**Scottish Opera**  
**Assistant Leader Auditions**  
**2026**

**1st round: Digital Submission (screened audio-visual recording)**

1. Puccini            Madama Butterfly, Act 1: opening to 13 bars after Fig.1
2. Mendelssohn    Symphony No.4, 1<sup>st</sup> Movement (two excerpts)
  - b.210 to b.247
  - b.391 to b.405
3. Brahms            Symphony No.1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Movement, Allegro: b.90 to end of Movement

**2nd Round: in-person audition**

**Set Piece**

Mozart            1st movement: start to recapitulation, from one of the following:  
Violin Concerto No. 3, No.4 or No.5

**Excerpts**

1. Mendelssohn            A Midsummer Night's Dream, Overture, b.8 to b.39
2. Rimsky-Korsakov        Capriccio Espagnole, 3<sup>rd</sup> Movement 'Alborada'
3. Rimsky-Korsakov        Scheherazade, 3<sup>rd</sup> Movement, 8th bar of Fig.K to Fig.N
4. Schumann                Symphony No.2, Scherzo, start to b.55
5. Tchaikovsky              Swan Lake (two excerpts)
  - Act 2, No.13, Movement V, White Swan
  - Act 3, No.19A, Black Swan

**3<sup>rd</sup> Round: in-person ensemble audition**

1. Haydn            String Quartet No.3 in G minor, Op.74, 4<sup>th</sup> Movement,  
Allegro con brio, complete
2. Puccini            Crisantemi
3. Schubert            String Quartet in A minor, Op.29, 4<sup>th</sup> Movement,  
Allegro moderato, start to letter E

# MADAMA BUTTERFLY

VIOLINO 1°

G. PUCCINI

ATTO 1°

sul G to \*

ALLEGRO

*ff*  
*vigoroso*

(Stampato in luogo di manoscritto)

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MENDELSSOHN  
SYMPHONY No. 4, FIRST MOVEMENT

①

210 *fp* 2. 5

222 *p*

228

235

244 *sempre pp*

②

378 *sf* *p* *sf*

386 *sf* *sf* *p*

394

400 13

# Brahms - Symphony No. 1

## 2nd Movement 'Andante sostenuto'

Violine I

7

74 **D**

*f dim.* *p dim.* *f*

*p dim.* *espress.*

90 **E** **Violine Solo**

*espress.* *cresc.* *f*

*p* *cresc.* *f*

98

*f* *cresc.*

*mf* *p*

104 **F**

*dim.* *p*

*do* *p* *espress.* *p* *dim.*

114

*pp* *mf*

*p* *pp* *mf*

120

*p* *p*

*p* *pizz.* *arco*

# A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM OVERTURE AND INCIDENTAL MUSIC

1

## Ouverture.

## VIOLINO I.

Felix Mendelssohn  
Op.61

Allegro di molto.

Bl.

div.

pp

11

*sempre stacc.*

*sempre stacc.*

17

23

*pp stacc.*

*pp stacc.*

29

35

VIOLIN I.

III. Alborada.

Vivo e strepitoso.

*pizz.*

*ff*

Solo *H*  
arco

*con forza*

*spiccato*

*tr*

*tr*

*tr*

*tr*

*I*

*pizz.*

*ff*

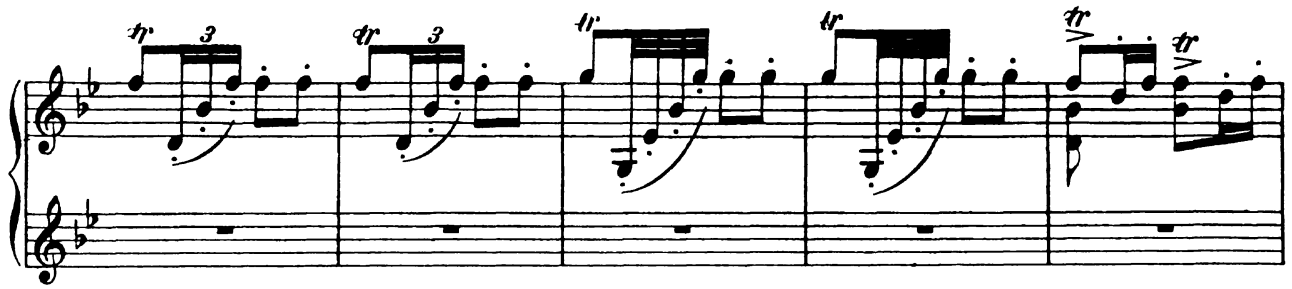
Solo *K*  
arco

*con forza*

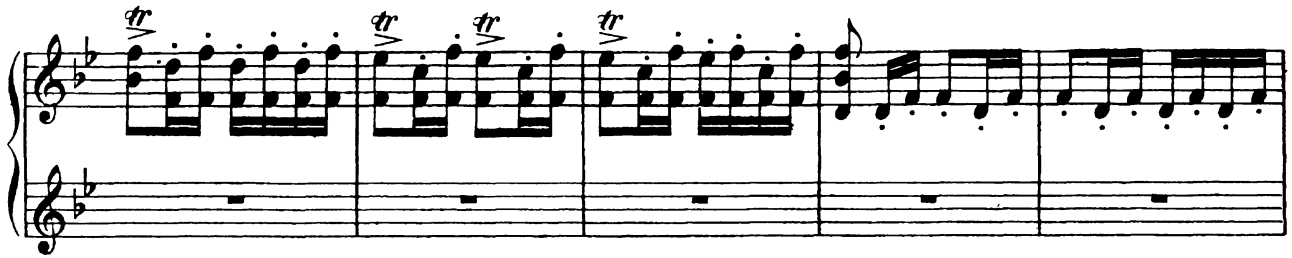
Rimsky-Korsakov — Capriccio Espagnole, Op. 34

4

VIOLIN I.



Violin I staff 1. The staff contains five measures of music. The first measure has a trill (tr) and a triplet (3) over a quarter note. The second measure has a trill (tr) and a triplet (3) over a quarter note. The third measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The fourth measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The fifth measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The key signature is one flat (B-flat).



Violin I staff 2. The staff contains five measures of music. The first measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The second measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The third measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The fourth measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The fifth measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The key signature is one flat (B-flat).



Violin I staff 3. The staff contains five measures of music. The first measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The second measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The third measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The fourth measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The fifth measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The key signature is one flat (B-flat).



Violin I staff 4. The staff contains five measures of music. The first measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The second measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The third measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The fourth measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The fifth measure has a trill (tr) over a quarter note. The key signature is one flat (B-flat).

IV. Scena e Canto gitano

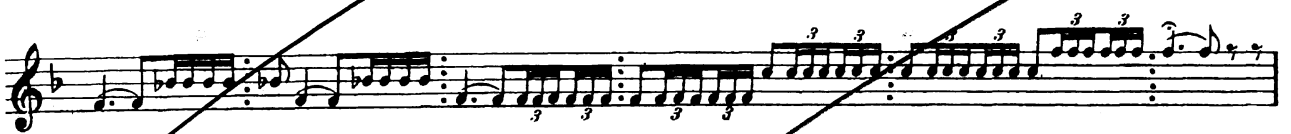
Allegretto.

quasi Cadenza (I)

(Corni)



Cadenza staff 1. The staff contains a series of eighth notes and sixteenth notes, forming a melodic line. The key signature is one flat (B-flat).



Cadenza staff 2. The staff contains a series of eighth notes and sixteenth notes, forming a melodic line. The key signature is one flat (B-flat).

Violino I.

unis. arco **Come prima.**

*p dolce e cantabile.*

**K 1**

*pp* pizz. 2

**Recit. Lento.**

Solo. *espress.*

**Cadenza.**

*p*

**Tempo I.**

**L** 6/8

*dim.*

*cantabile, con forza.*

**Tutti.** **M**

*ff allarg. assai.*

Solo. *a tempo*

*colla parte.*

Rimsky-Korsakov — Scheherazade, Op. 35

Violino I.

13

colla parte.

Tutti.

*p*

*p*

*cresc.*

*poco* *a* *poco*

*f* *dim.*

*p* *cantabile* *dim.*

*mf* *dim.* *sul D.*

*p* *P*

*poco rit.*

*pizz.* *rit. molto* *a tempo* *schierzando*

*pp* *pp* *dolce*

Schumann — Symphony No. 2 in C Major

8

VIOLINO I

SCHERZO

Allegro vivace  $\text{♩} = 144$

mf

cresc.

1. 2.

f mf p

Fl.

poco rit. a tempo Viol. II

cresc. p cresc.

f

Fl.

p

Fl. poco rit. a tempo Viol. II

The musical score is for the first violin part of the Scherzo movement from Schumann's Symphony No. 2 in C Major. It is in 2/4 time and marked 'Allegro vivace' with a tempo of 144 beats per minute. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The score consists of ten staves of music. The first staff begins with a mezzo-forte (mf) dynamic. The second staff includes a crescendo (cresc.) marking. The third staff features a first and second ending, with dynamics of forte (f), mezzo-forte (mf), and piano (p). The fourth staff has a flute (Fl.) entry. The fifth staff includes a 'poco rit.' (slightly ritardando) and 'a tempo' marking, with a second violin (Viol. II) entry. The sixth staff has a crescendo (cresc.) and piano (p) dynamic. The seventh staff has a forte (f) dynamic. The eighth staff has a piano (p) dynamic. The ninth staff has a flute (Fl.) entry. The tenth staff includes a 'poco rit.' and 'a tempo' marking, with a second violin (Viol. II) entry.

SWAN LAKE ACT II

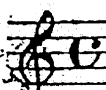
Nº 13

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Andante

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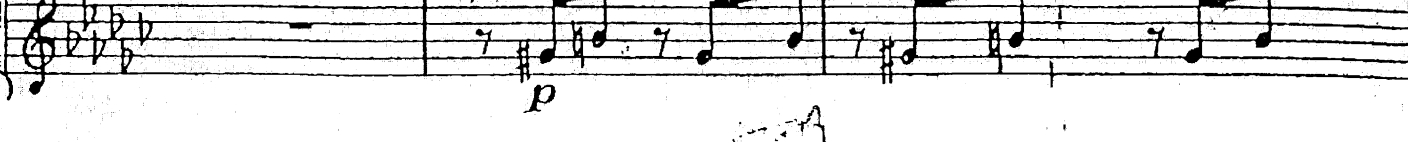
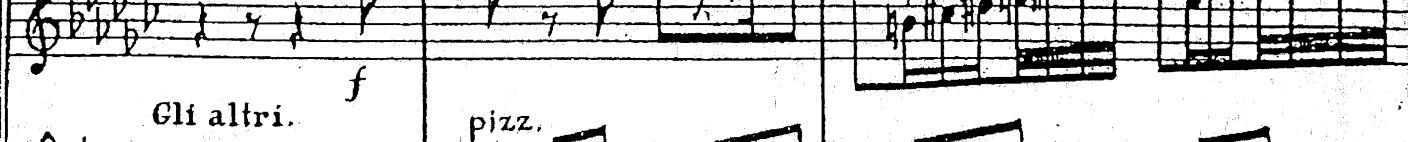
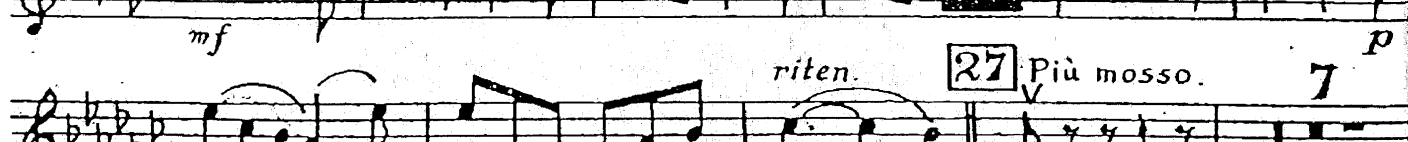
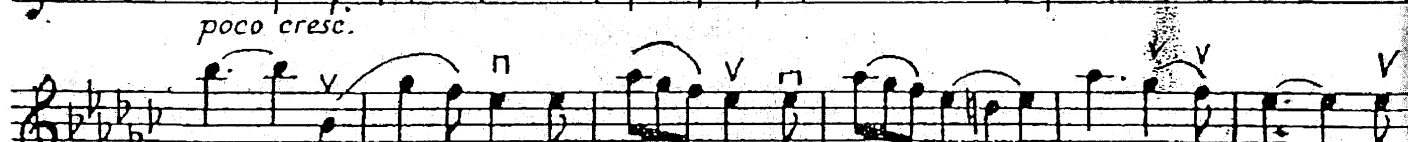
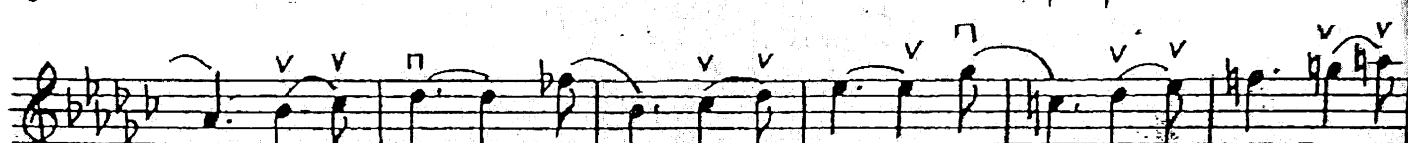
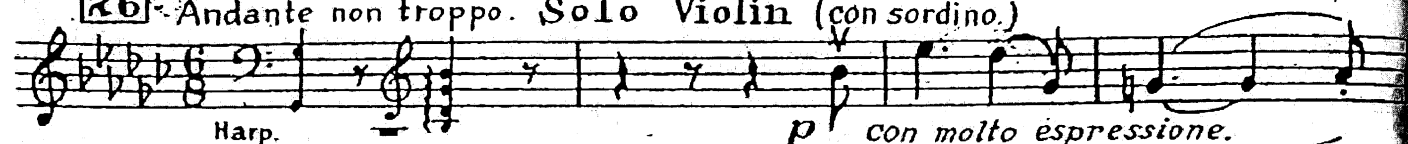
Nº V



Harp Cadenza.

26

Andante non troppo. Solo Violin (con sordino.)



Solo.

28

Gli altri.

pizz.

p

## Violin I

This page contains the Violin I part of the Swan Lake score, page 8. The music is written in treble clef with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The tempo and meter are 3/4. The score consists of ten systems, each with a single staff. The music features a variety of notes, rests, and ornaments. There are several measures with triplets and sixteenth notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a final measure marked with a '7'.

Violin I

29

7



# Haydn - String Quartet No.3

42

Violine I

Finale

Allegro con brio

5 *f* *p* *f* *p* *fz*

11 *fz* *fz*

18 *p* *f*

24 *p* *fz* *p*

31 *(f)*

35 *fz* *fz*

40

45 8

51 8

58 *(f)* *p* *f* *p*

64 *(f)* *p*

71  
G.P. Viol. II G.P. *f* G.P. *p*

78

82  
*ff*

86  
*p* *fz* *p* *f*

91

96  
G.P. *p*

102  
*f* *p* *fz*

107  
(*f*)

114

119  
*fz* (*fz*)

125

132  
(*f*) Viol. II *pp*

140  
*f*

# Crisantemi

String Orchestra Version

First Violins

Giacomo Puccini (1858-1924)

**Andante Mesto**

*pp dolce rit.*

*rall. rit. rit. pp*

*accel. rit. ppp rall. rit.*

*rit. un poco affrettando allargando*

**Sostenuto** **Rallantando**

*f ff con forza pp trattenuto f*

**A A tempo**

*pp p con molta espressione*

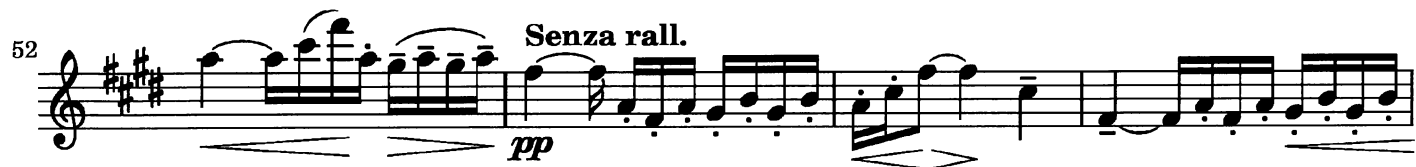
*pp 3 poco rit.*

**Poco rall.**

*mf pp p molto espressivo*

First Violins

47 

52 

56 

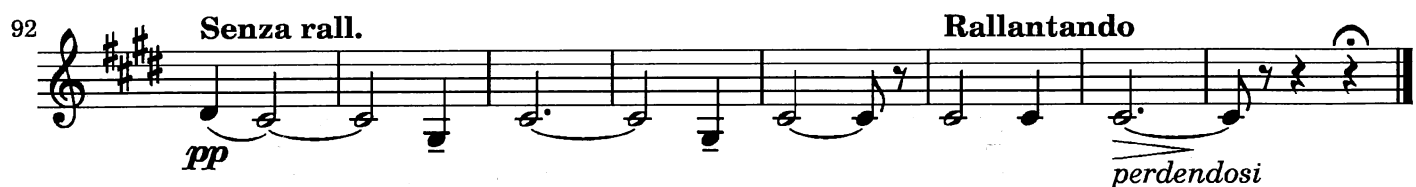
61 

67 

73 

79 

85 

92 

# Schubert - String Quartet in A minor

## Violino I.

9

Violino I. measures 1-10. The key signature is A minor (three sharps). The first staff begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic and a crescendo (*cresc.*) marking. The second staff starts with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic. The third staff begins with a pianissimo (*pp*) dynamic and a ritardando (*ritard.*) marking, ending with the instruction *Men. D.C.*

## Allegro moderato.

Violino I. measures 11-30. The tempo is marked *Allegro moderato.* The first staff begins with a pianissimo (*pp*) dynamic. The second staff includes a crescendo (*cresc.*) and a ritardando (*ritard.*) marking. The third staff is marked *a tempo* and begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The fourth staff includes a fortissimo (*f*) dynamic. The fifth staff begins with a pianissimo (*pp*) dynamic. The sixth staff includes a fortissimo (*f*) dynamic. The seventh staff begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic. The eighth staff includes a crescendo (*cresc.*) and a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic. The ninth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The tenth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The eleventh staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twelfth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The thirteenth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The fourteenth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The fifteenth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The sixteenth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The seventeenth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The eighteenth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The nineteenth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twentieth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-first staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-second staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-third staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-fourth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-fifth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-sixth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-seventh staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-eighth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The twenty-ninth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking. The thirtieth staff includes a fortissimo (*fp*) dynamic and a decrescendo (*decresc.*) marking.

## Violino I.

Violino I. musical score, measures 1-24. The score is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features various dynamics (pp, p, f, ff, cresc., ritard., a tempo, ten.), articulations (accents, slurs, staccato), and fingerings. Section markers B, C, D, and E are present. Measure 24 ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.