Britten Sinfonia Principal Viola Auditions 2025



Online Round

Vaughan Williams Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis: bars 79-85 and 95-105

Shostakovich Chamber Symphony for Strings in C Minor, Op. 110a: 4th bar of fig.46 to fig.47

Bach St John Passion: Mvt 20: Erwage, bars 1-22 (violin 1)

Prokofiev
Symphony No.1: Mvt 1 beginning to 3rd bar of fig 3 and fig 12-15

Extended bars rest, particularly in the Bach, do not need to be observed.

First Round

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Mozart Sinfonia Concertante in Eb major: Mvt 1 bars 72-158 (unaccompanied)

EXCERPTS

The panel may ask to hear any of the excerpts from the online round, plus the following.

Prokofiev
Symphony No.1: Mvt 4 3rd bar of fig 50 to 9th bar of Fig 57
Grieg
Holberg Suite: Mvt 5: Rigaudon (start to 6th bar after fig U)

Schoenberg
Verklärte Nacht: 8 bars before letter H to letter K, 3 bars after letter P to letter R
Bartok
Divertimento for strings: Mvt 1 bars 25-43, bars 53-73, Mvt 3 bars 317-453

Bach Brandenburg Concerto III: Mvt 3: Allegro, bars 31-38

• Mozart Symphony No.41: Mvt 4 bars 1-98

• Britten Variations on a Theme of Frank Bridge: March (entire mvt), Wiener Walz 2 crotchets before fig 17 to 7 bars before fig 19, Fugue and Finale: start to 6 bars after fig 33.

Second Round (Chamber)

Mozart Divertimento (Streichtrio) in Es: First Movement exposition
Bach trs. Sitkovetsky The "Goldberg" Variations: Variations 11 and 27 (no repeats)

Copies of the audition excerpts for all rounds can be downloaded in Musical Chairs, once an application has been started.