



Philharmonic Orchestra

AUDITIONS 2026

Leader (40%)

PREPARED EXCERPTS

Audition Repertoire

Solo concerto

Please prepare the complete first movement (including cadenzas) for:

Any Mozart Concerto

AND

A Romantic / 20th Century Concerto

Orchestral Solo Excerpts

BACH: St Matthew Passion, BWV 244 No. 47 (NBA no. 39)

Opening 8 bars ending at fig. A

BEETHOVEN: Missa Solemnis, Sanctus - Benedictus

Bars 110 – 134 and 186-214

BRAHMS: Symphony no. 1, Op. 68

II. Andante sostenuto, bar 90 until fine.

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV: Scheherazade, Op. 35

Solos from movements I-III

STRAUSS, R.: Ein Heldenleben, Op. 40

Fig. 22+2bars until Fig. 31.

STRAUSS, R: Also Sprach Zarathustra, Op. 30

Bars 441-502 (Schnell)

SCHOENBEG: Verklärte Nacht, Op. 4

Bars 255-294 (Adagio)

Orchestra Tutti Excerpts

BRAHMS: SYMPHONY No. 4, Op. 98

IV. Allegro energico e passionato. Bars 33-82

DEBUSSY: La Mer, No. 2, 'Jeux de Vagues'

No. 2, 'Jeux de Vagues', Fig. 33 – 38+6bars

MENDELSSOHN: A Midsummer Night's Dream, Op. 61

I. Scherzo. Beginning until bar 99.

MOZART: Symphony no. 35, K.385 (Haffner)

Opening 65 bars.

PROKOFIEV: Symphony No. 1 (Classical)

IV. Finale. Beginning until 1st time bar, omit 12 bars at Fig. 52.

Orchestral Solo Excerpts

BACH: St Matthew Passion, BWV 244 No. 47 (NBA no. 39).

Opening 8 bars ending at fig. A

Nr. 47 Arie (Erbarme dich, mein Gott)

Solo
f
piano sempre
tr
4
6
7II
tr
A
(Erbarme dich)
pp

BEETHOVEN: Missa Solemnis, Sanctus - Benedictus

Bars 110 – 134 and 186-214

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Preludium

Sostenuto ma non troppo

24

Clar. I, II

Violino Solo

78

78

Clar. I, II

Violino Solo

p

Benedictus

Andante molto cantabile e non troppo mosso

111

111

cresc.

dim.

p

115

115

tr

cresc.

119

119

dolce e cantabile

pizz.

123

123

tr

cresc.

127

127

espressivo

cresc.

131

131

f

cresc.

p

184 *a tempo* *colla voce* *a tempo* *pizz.*

f *p*

188 *arco* *sforz.* *pizz.* *arco* *sforz.*

mf *p* *mf*

191 *cresc.* *pizz.* *8va* *p cresc.*

mf *p*

195 *rinforz.* *arco* *f* *sforz.* *sforz.*

mf *p* *mf*

198 *sforz.* *dolce*

mf *p*

201

Measures 201-203. The top staff features a continuous sixteenth-note melody with various accidentals (b, natural, #). The bottom staff is marked *pizz.* and *p*, containing a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth and sixteenth notes.

204

Measures 204-206. The top staff continues the sixteenth-note melody. The bottom staff features a rhythmic pattern with eighth notes and rests, ending with a triplet of eighth notes marked with a '3'.

210

Measures 210-213. The top staff includes a trill in measure 212. The bottom staff is marked *cresc.* and *f*, with a crescendo hairpin. The melody in the top staff features dotted rhythms and a final flourish.

214

Measures 214-217. The top staff has a double bar line in measure 214. The bottom staff is marked *ben marcato*, *arco*, *f*, and *sf*. It begins with a double bar line and then contains a melodic line starting in measure 215.

BRAHMS: Symphony no. 1, Op. 68

II. Andante sostenuto, bar 90 until fine.

Violine Solo

90 **E**

espress. *cresc.* *f*

98 *f* *cresc.* *mf* *p* *cre* *scen*

104 **F** *dim.* *do* *p* *espress.* *p* *dim.*

114 *pp* *mf* *p* *pp* *mf*

120 *p* *pizz.* *arco* *pp*

The musical score is for a Violin Solo in E major, 4/4 time, measures 90-120. The key signature has three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The tempo is Andante sostenuto. The score begins at measure 90 with a forte (f) dynamic and a crescendo. The melody is supported by a piano accompaniment. The score includes various dynamics such as piano (p), mezzo-forte (mf), forte (f), piano-piano (pp), and mezzo-forte (mf), as well as articulation marks like accents, slurs, and staccato. The score ends at measure 120 with a final chord.

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV: Scheherazade, Op. 35:

I. The Sea and Sinbad's Ship - solos

Largo e maestoso.

pesante

tr

1

1

Recit. Lento.

Solo.

espress.

Cad.

Allegro non troppo.

1 *Tutti Violini.*

pizz.

B Tranquillo.

12

poco

f

8

9

10

11

12

C Solo.

Tutti Viol.

Solo

10

11

12

Tutti

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV: Scheherazade, Op. 35:

II. The legend of the Kalendar Prince - solos

Recit. Lento.

Solo.



Cad.

rit. assai.

Andantino.

19

1

A a tempo

20

Oboe

21

rit.

22

B Poco più mosso. (Tempo giusto.)

Tutti.

8

p grazioso.

Poco meno mosso.

pp

pp

Viol. Solo.

senza sord. 3

senza sord. 3

dolce ed espressivo

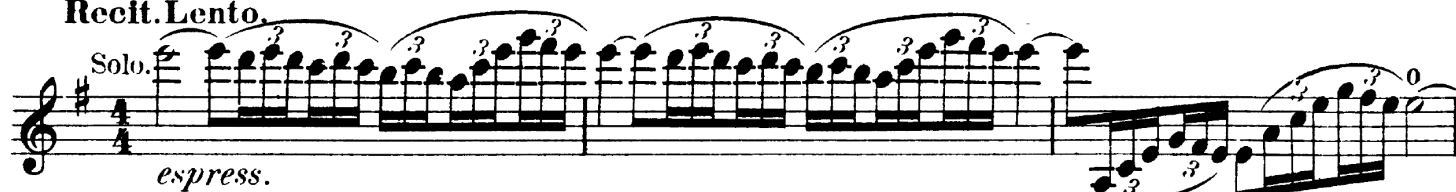
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RIMSKY-KORSAKOV: Scheherazade, Op. 35:

III. The Young Prince and Princess - solos

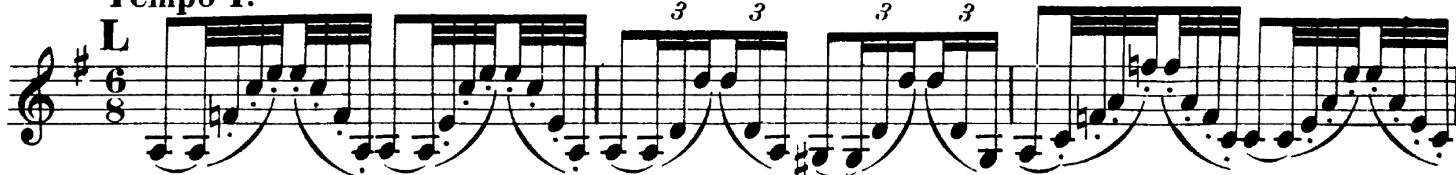
Recit. Lento.



Cadenza.



Tempo I.



Solo. a tempo



STRAUSS, R.: Ein Heldenleben, Op. 40

Fig. 22+2bars until Fig. 31.

Erstes Zeitmass. (lebhaft bewegt)

22

geteilt

Solo.

die übrigen

12

Soloviola.

viel ruhiger

Lebhaft.

p

mf

viel ruhiger

23

sfz

poco calando sfz

beinahe doppelt so schnell

(heuchlerisch schmachkend)

f

(lustig)

Wieder sehr ruhig.

1 2 4

3

beinahe doppelt so schnell

25 *Wieder sehr ruhig; voll Sehnsucht.*

leichtfertig *zart, etwas sentimental* *viel lebhafter* *(übermütig)*

p *f* 26

cresc. *ff* *ff sehr scharf*

calando *dim.* *sehr ruhig* *getragen mf*

doppelt so schnell *(spielend)* *mf* 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6

dim. 12 8 4 4

27 *wieder etwas ruhiger.* *f* 1 *f dim.*

hafter 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 *pp3 (liebenswert)*

p *poco ritard.* *Wieder langsamer.* *poco accel.* *a tempo* 28 *ff*

p *(lustig)*

immer schneller und rasender *cresc.* *ff* 6

plötzlich wieder ruhig und sehr gefühlvoll

29 *espr.* *f* *drängend*

(beruhigend) *p* 30 *drängend und immer heftiger* *ff* 20

Solovioline. *(zornig)* *sfz* *pizz.*
die übrigen *sfz* *sfz* *sfz* *sfz* *fff*
geteilt *ff* *pizz.*

allmählich nachlassen *sfz* *fz* *sfz* *dim.*

31 *sehr ruhig* 1

STRAUSS, R: Also Sprach Zarathustra, Op. 30

Bars 441-502 (Schnell)

437 *2* *solo* *4*

437-438 *Vc.* *p* 445-448

451 *2* 453-454 **465**

460

468 (1. solo) *f espr.* *pp* *A-string* *gliss.*

1. stand, div. 2. 3. 4. stand *pp*

476 *f* *p* *on A-string* *gliss.*

1. stand 2. 3. 4. stand *p espr.*

485 *cresc.* *p* *2. 3. 4. stand* *pp* *cresc.*

493

sf

1. stand

f

2. 3. 4. stand

*mf*³

503

dim.

f

501

tr

1. stand

p

2. 3. 4. stand pizz.

p

2

4

div. arco

p

Orchestra Tutti Excerpts

BRAHMS: SYMPHONY No. 4, Op. 98

IV. Allegro energico e passionato. Bars 33-82

31 arco
f ben marc. largamente

40 **B** *cresc. sempre più*

47 *espress. cresc.*

54 *f f più f* **C**

60 *cresc.* *ff*

66 *fp*

70 *dim.*

73 *fp dim.* *pp*

76 *pp*

80 **D** *poco cresc.* *pp*

Detailed description: This is a page of musical notation for the Orchestra Tutti Excerpts from the fourth movement of Brahms' Symphony No. 4, Op. 98. The music is in 4/4 time and G major. The score consists of ten staves, numbered 31 to 80. The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, beams, slurs, and dynamic markings. Key features include:

- Staff 31: Starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first measure is marked 'arco' and 'f ben marc. largamente'.
- Staff 40: Marked with a box containing the letter 'B'. The dynamic marking 'cresc. sempre più' is present.
- Staff 47: Marked with 'espress. cresc.'.
- Staff 54: Marked with a box containing the letter 'C'. The dynamic markings 'f', 'f', and 'più f' are present.
- Staff 60: Marked with 'cresc.' and 'ff'.
- Staff 66: Marked with 'fp'.
- Staff 70: Marked with 'dim.'.
- Staff 73: Marked with 'fp dim.' and 'pp'.
- Staff 76: Marked with 'pp'.
- Staff 80: Marked with a box containing the letter 'D'. The dynamic markings 'poco cresc.' and 'pp' are present.

DEBUSSY: La Mer, No. 2, 'Jeux de Vagues'

No. 2, 'Jeux de Vagues', Fig 33 – 38+6bars

33 Animé

Trills (tr.) are indicated above the first and last notes of measures 33, 34, 35, and 36. The piano part begins with a *pp* dynamic and a *DIV.* marking. Trills (tr.) are also present above the first and last notes of measures 33, 34, 35, and 36 in the piano part.

Measures 37 and 38 continue the musical texture. The piano part features a *p* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes in measure 37. Trills (tr.) are indicated above the first and last notes of measures 37 and 38.

34

Measures 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38 are shown. The piano part maintains a *p* dynamic throughout this section. Trills (tr.) are indicated above the first and last notes of measures 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38.

Measures 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 44 are shown. The piano part features a *p* dynamic and a *expressif et soutenu* marking. Trills (tr.) are indicated above the first and last notes of measures 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 44.

35 En animant beaucoup

Measures 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40 are shown. The piano part features a *p* dynamic and a *En animant beaucoup* marking. Trills (tr.) are indicated above the first and last notes of measures 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 40.

36

First system of measures 36-37. The music is in D major (two sharps). The right hand features a series of eighth-note chords and single notes, while the left hand plays a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include piano (*p*) and mezzo-forte (*mf*). There are also accents and slurs.

Second system of measures 36-37. The right hand continues with eighth-note patterns, including some triplets. The left hand maintains the eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include piano (*p*) and mezzo-forte (*mf*).

Third system of measures 36-37. The right hand plays eighth-note chords. The left hand continues the eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include mezzo-forte (*mf*) and forte (*f*).

37 Très animé

First system of measures 37-38. The music is marked "Très animé". The right hand features eighth-note chords and triplets. The left hand plays eighth-note chords and triplets. Dynamics include mezzo-forte (*mf*), forte (*f*), and fortissimo (*ff*). There are also accents and slurs.

38

Second system of measures 37-38. The right hand continues with eighth-note chords and triplets. The left hand plays eighth-note chords and triplets. Dynamics include fortissimo (*ff*).

En retenant

pizz.

Measures 38-39. The right hand plays eighth-note chords. The left hand plays eighth-note chords. Dynamics include forte (*f*) and fortissimo (*ff*). There are also accents and slurs.

MENDELSSOHN: A Midsummer Night's Dream, Op. 61

I. Scherzo. Beginning until bar 99.

Allegro vivace

14 Cl. I

24

33

42

50

59

68

76

84

91

98

14 Cl. I/II

p

cresc.

p

cresc.

sf

sf

sf

p

pp

p

cresc.

dim.

al

pp

p

cresc.

MOZART: Symphony no. 35, K.385 (Haffner)

Opening 65 bars.

Allegro con spirito

8 *f* *tr* *p*

15 *f* *tr*

20 *f*

23 *sciolto* *tr* *tr* *tr* *tr* *tr*

27 *sfz* *sfz* *f*

33 *tr*

39 *tr* *fp*

44 *tr* *tr*

48 *p*

55 *sciolto*

60 *p*

PROKOFIEV: Symphony No. 1 (Classical)

IV. Finale. Beginning until 1st time bar, omit 12 bars at Fig. 52.

Molto vivace

Arco 0 2 0 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 1

47 48 49 50 unis. 51 52 div. 53

di - mi - nu - en - do

54 *f* *p* *f*

55 *mf*

ff *dim.* *f* *p*

56 *pp* *pp scherzando*

57 *pp* *f* *ff*

div. *ff* *ff* *ff* *pp* *pp*