

AALBORG SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
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2nd Solo Double Bass

Audition Date: Thursday, March 19, 2026
Audition Venue: Musikkens Hus, Aalborg

Orchestral Tuning to be used for all audition rounds (G-D-A-E)

Audition Rounds:

Round 1

First movement with cadenza from one of the following concertos.

Either:

- Dittersdorf OR
Vanhel
- Orchestral excerpts:

J.S. Bach: Violin concerto in E Major BWV 1042, mvt. 2 (until bar 15)
W.A. Mozart: Symphony no. 40, mvt. 1 (from bar 114 until 138)

Round 2

First movement from one of the following concertos:

Either:

- Koussevitsky OR
Bottesini
- Orchestral excerpt:

Schubert: Symphony no. 8 – “The Great” D.944, mvt. 3
(Bar 1 until bar 31, & bar 105 until bar 151)

Round 3

Orchestral excerpts only

- Mahler: Symphony no. 1, mvt. 3 (bar 3 until bar 10)
- Haydn: Symphony no. 31 “Horn Signal” (Last movement: Finale, Variation 7 – Solo)
- Stravinsky: Pulcinella Suite mvt. 7 (Solo)
- Brahms: Symphony no. 2, mvt. 4 (Bar 1 until bar 32)
- Beethoven: Symphony no. 5, mvt. 3, (Bar 1 until bar 100, & from 140 until bar 217)
- Nielsen: Overture to Masquerade (excerpts as marked)

Interview:

After the third round, an interview will be conducted. This conversation is a central part of the recruitment process, ensuring that the artistic and human values align between the candidate and Aalborg Symphony Orchestra’s vision and values.

A piano accompanist will be provided, and the piano will be tuned to 442 Hz.

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We ask that candidates discard audition materials after the audition date.



Violoncello e Basso

Konzert in E-Dur für Violine, Streicher und Basso continuo

Concerto in E major for Violin, Strings and Basso continuo

BWV 1042

Johann Sebastian Bach

1.

2. Adagio

The musical score is written for Violoncello and Bass in E major (three sharps: F#, C#, G#) and 3/4 time. It begins with a large bracket on the left side of the first staff. The tempo is marked 'Adagio' and the dynamics are 'sempre piano'. The score consists of five staves of music. The first staff contains measures 1 through 3. The second staff is marked with a '4' at the beginning, indicating measure 4. The third staff is marked with a '7' at the beginning, indicating measure 7. The fourth staff is marked with a '10' at the beginning, indicating measure 10. The fifth staff is marked with a '14' at the beginning, indicating measure 14. The music features a variety of note values, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The piece concludes with a large bracket on the right side of the fifth staff.

Basso

(1. und 2. Fassung)

(1st and 2nd versions)

Sinfonie in g Symphony in G minor

2.

Bars 114 - 138

KV 550

Molto Allegro

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

8 *p*

17 *f*

25 *f*

31 *sf sf sf sf sf sf*

38 *G.P. p*

47 *4*

60 *cre - - scen-do f sf*

69 *p p f*

78 *p f*

88

94 *3*

105



113



119



124



129



134





Round 2

Schubert: Symphony no. 8 in C Major, D 944 - "The Great"

Third movement - Scherzo

SCHERZO
Allegro vivace

8 6

23 *f* *fz* *f* *fz* *p* *fp*

cresc.

1

86 3 1-8 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 *pp* *cresc.*

101 *ff* *fz* *fz* *fz* *fz*

110 *fz* *fz* *fz* *p*

121 *cresc.*

136 *f* *ff* *ff* *fz*

149 *fz* *fz* *ffz* *pp* *pp*

9 8

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- **Brahms:** Symphony no. 2, mvt. 4 (Bar 1 until bar 32)
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- **Nielsen:** Overture to Maskarade (excerpts as marked)

Mahler — Symphony No. 1 in D Major

Contrabass.

III. Satz.

Feierlich und gemessen, ohne 'zu schleppen.

1 (Pauken)

pp

p mit Dämpfer

3

Alle Dämpfer ab

Haydn: Symphony no. 31 "Horn Signal" (Last movement: Finale, Variation 7 – Solo)

'CELLO & BASS



Var. 6.



Var. 7.

Double Bass Solo

Vel.



PULCINELLA SUITE

(Revised 1949 Version)

Double Bass, Solo

IGOR STRAVINSKY

7. Vivo

85 Vivo, ♩ = 132 - 138

86

Solo

ff *fff*

sempre sim.

87

sim. *f* *gliss.*

1. 2. 88

ff

89

90 détaché

très fort

91

dolce

92

3 4

93

ff risoluto, energico

Symphonie Nr. 2

D-dur

Kontrabass

Johannes Brahms op. 73

herausgegeben von Robert Pascall und Michael Struck

Allegro con spirito

The musical score is written for Contrabass in D major, 4/4 time. It begins with a large bracket on the left. The first staff starts with a bass clef, a key signature of two sharps (D major), and a common time signature. The tempo is marked 'Allegro con spirito'. The first staff contains measures 1 through 7, ending with a measure marked 'p sotto voce'. The second staff starts at measure 8 and includes a 'pp' dynamic marking. The third staff starts at measure 16 and features a 'dim.' (diminuendo) marking followed by a 'f' (forte) marking and a section labeled 'A'. The fourth staff starts at measure 24 and includes two 'sf' (sforzando) markings. The fifth staff starts at measure 30 and includes four 'sf' markings, with a large bracket closing the section at the end.

Symphonie Nr. 5

c-moll · C minor
op. 67

Ludwig van Beethoven

Allegro **poco ritardando a tempo**

pp *pp*

13 un poco ritard. a tempo

sf 1 *f*

25

38 *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *dimin. pp*

poco ritard. a tempo

51 *pp*

63 *cresc.* *f*

74

89 A *dimin. pp*

101 3 pizz. 3 14 Vc. arco cresc. - - - f

131 ff p f

141

150

159 1. 2. f

166

175 1-6 2 3 4

186 5 6

195 B f dimin. p

203 sempre più piano

211 8

Carl Nielsen

MASQUERADE

MASKARADE

Overture

Ouverture

Contrabbasso

Allegro, ma non tanto (♩. = 96 – 100)

Musical score for Contrabass part of Nielsen's *Maskarade* Overture. The score is in 2/4 time, key of D major, and consists of 47 measures. It features various dynamics (*f*, *mp*, *p*, *ff*, *cresc.*, *dim.*), articulations (accents, slurs, staccato), and structural markers (A, B, C). The piece ends with a repeat sign and a 3-measure rest.

Contrabbasso

D

53

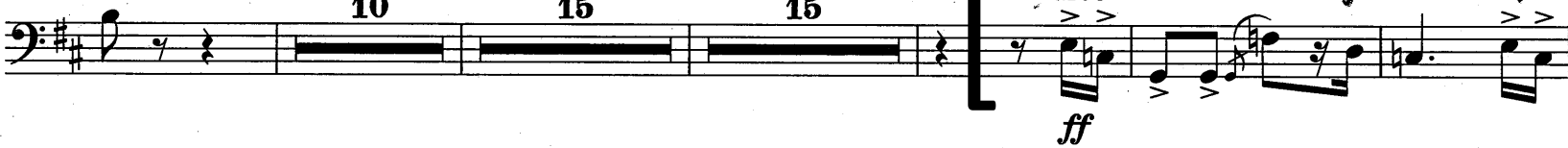


E

F

G

62



106



111



115



120



126



132



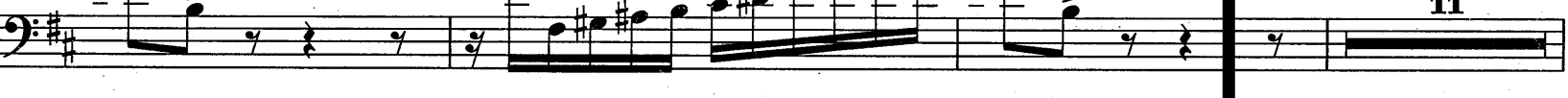
137



142



147



161 **L**

ff

164

167 *ff* V □ □