



SENIOR FESTIVAL - VIRTUAL AUDITION INSTRUCTIONS FALL 2021

MMEA-ED Sr. Auditions will be “Virtual” this year. The MMEA-ED audition registration system has been modified to allow directors to upload each student’s video (format: Google Drive Link (recommended) or youtube unlisted - see below). The deadline to register students for the Sr. Festival Auditions with links to videos is Friday, November 5, 2021. Please do not register students until their video is ready to submit. Directors are expected to preview all of their students’ videos to make sure privacy settings are set correctly and audition guidelines are followed.

The audition fee is \$20.00.

Modified Audition Requirements:

- Please see [MMEA-ED Sr. Audition Piece/Scale Requirements 21-22 \(modified\)](#) for specific scale and piece requirements for each audition.
- There will be **no sight reading or auxiliary percussion** for the 21-22 Senior auditions (updated 10/4/21)
- Auditions limits have been suspended for this year and students may also audition for multiple ensembles. If a student is selected for multiple ensembles, placement will be determined by the audition committee. Please register students separately for each audition and pay the appropriate fee.

Basic Instructions to students:

- Scales and solo piece must be recorded in the same video. There is no editing allowed on any of the videos.
- At the beginning of your recording state your name and instrument.
- Perform the scales required for your instrument. You are allowed to pause without stopping the video and take a breath in between each scale.
- Perform the required solo piece.
- The recording may have slight pauses between the scale and solo excerpts, but should not be spliced together with multiple takes or videos. The recording should be one continuous audition as if you were in a live audition.
- No accompaniment allowed (jazz and choral may play/sing with provided mp3s with headphones only).
- Reminder: There is no editing allowed on any of the videos.

Requirements for Setting up the camera and your space

- Position your camera in LANDSCAPE mode (long way left to right; not typically the way you would hold your phone to scroll on Instagram).
- Your face, hands, and instrument should remain in the frame for the duration of the video. If you are using a music stand, please be sure that it is not blocking the musician.
- Please use proper lighting. Light yourself from the front, NOT behind.
- If you must stand in front of a window, close the curtains or blinds.
- Clear the frame of distracting items.

- Clear clutter away so that the judge focuses on you.

Video Format:

- Google Drive Link (recommended) or Unlisted Video on YouTube.
- Please note that school YouTube accounts will no longer allow students under 18 to share their videos.
- For Google drive links, please make sure privacy settings are set to “Anyone on the internet with this link can view”
- Video should be unedited and unaccompanied, performing the REQUIRED REPERTOIRE for each instrument or voice part.

Please name videos: student name_Instrument

- Example: MacJones_Violin