

2025-2026

AUDITION EXCERPTS

trumpet

INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES

Symphonic Band Symphony Orchestra Jazz Ensemble Pep Band

Dear Auditioners,

Thank you for your interest in auditioning for our instrumental ensembles! It is a joy to offer these music making opportunities at Wheaton College, where we seek to glorify, honor, and praise Almighty God through the musical gifts with which He has blessed us.

In this packet, you will find audition materials for the following instrumental ensembles:

- Symphonic Band
- Symphony Orchestra
- Jazz Ensemble
- Pep Band

In light of Passage requirements, first-year woodwind and brass students may choose to audition in person (during the first week of the fall semester) or submit a video audition for Symphony Orchestra, Symphonic Band, and/or Pep Band.

- If you choose to audition via recording, please perform all of your chosen excerpts in one unedited video
 and upload the file to <u>this audition form</u> (<u>bit.ly/wheatonauditions</u>) by <u>Friday, August 8</u>.
- If, following review of your audition video, you are identified as a candidate for a principal position in any of these ensembles, you will be asked to audition again in person during the on-campus woodwind and brass auditions on Wednesday, August 27 (Symphony Orchestra and Symphonic Band) or Saturday, August 30 (Pep Band).
- Note that the video option is not available for Jazz Ensemble.

Students who intend to audition in person should complete the online <u>2025 Performing Arts Interest Form</u>. After submitting your form response, you will be contacted with an assigned day and time between August 27 and 30 (first week of fall semester classes).

We are grateful you are considering joining us for the 2025-2026 academic year and look forward to supporting you in your studies. Please reach out with any questions you may have.

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Dr. Crystal Rebone, Jazz Ensemble | crystal.rebone@wheaton.edu



TRUMPET

SYMPHONIC BAND REQUIREMENTS

- Perform mm. 3-28 of the Hummel Trumpet Concerto, Mvt. II.
- Perform any 1 of the 2 band selections provided:
 - Still's Folk Suite for Band, II. Deep River
 - Tchaikovsky's Marche Slav

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA REQUIREMENTS

- Perform m. 3–28 of the Hummel Trumpet Concerto, Mvt. II.
- Perform any 2 of the 4 orchestral selections provided:
 - Holst's The Planets, "Mars" (m. 81-Rehearsal 6)
 - Holst's The Planets, "Jupiter" (mm. 360-387)
 - Mahler's Symphony No. 1, Mvt. I (Rehearsal 1–Rehearsal 4)
 - Mahler's Symphony No. 1, Mvt. II (Rehearsal 29–End)

JAZZ ENSEMBLE REQUIREMENTS

- Perform the provided excerpt, which you will perform along with <u>this recording</u> via Bluetooth speaker:
 - Cole Porter's You'd Be So Nice to Come Home To
- Play one song of your own choice in the jazz style that best showcases your abilities.
- Improvise over two choruses of a Bb Blues progression, backing track here.

PEP BAND REQUIREMENTS

- Perform any 1 of the 2 pep band selections provided:
 - Cat Scratch Fever by Ted Nugent
 - Victorious by Panic! at the Disco



SYMPHONIC BAND / SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

HUMMEL

Trumpet

Trumpet Concerto, Mvt. II mm. 3–28





SYMPHONIC BAND

STILLFolk Suite for Band, II. Deep River

Trumpet





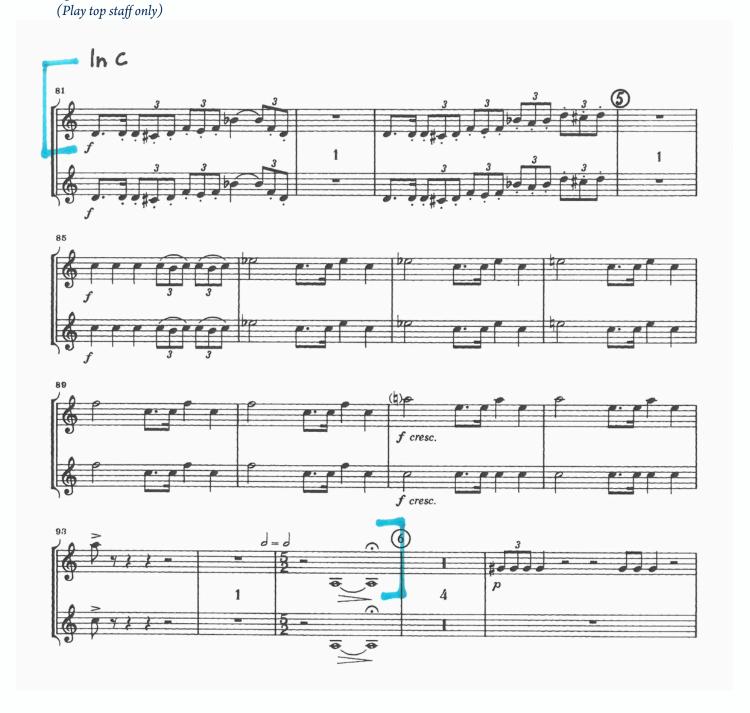




SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

HOLST

The Planets, "Mars" m. 81–Rehearsal 6
Quarter note=152



SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

HOLST

Trumpet

The Planets, "Jupiter" mm. 360–387 Dotted half note=60



SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

MAHLER

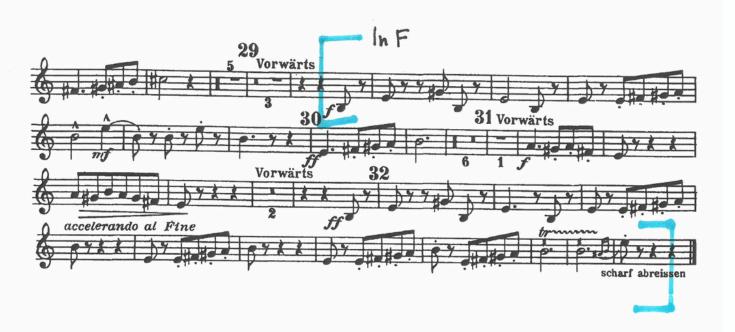
Trumpet

Symphony No. 1, Mvt. I Rehearsal 1-Rehearsal 4



MAHLER

Symphony No. 1, Mvt. II Rehearsal 29–EndDotted half note=72



JAZZ ENSEMBLE

REQUIREMENTS

Bb Trumpet

- Prepare the excerpt below. You will perform along with <u>this</u> recording via Bluetooth speaker.
- Play one song of your own choice in the jazz style that best showcases your abilities.
- Improvise over two choruses of a Bb Blues progression, backing track <u>here</u>.

COLE PORTER

You'd Be So Nice to Come Home To mm. 1-31

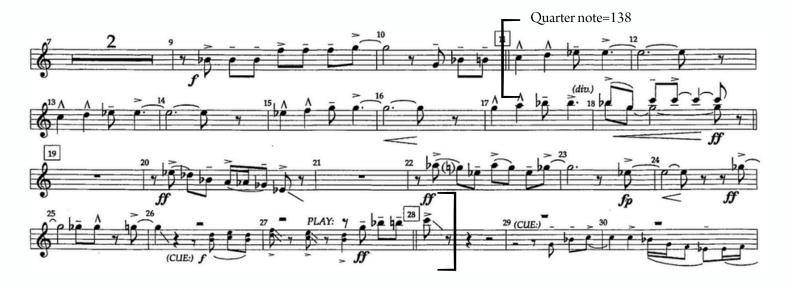


PEP BAND

REQUIREMENTS

• Choose 1 excerpt below to play

TED NUGENT: CAT SCRATCH FEVER



PANIC! AT THE DISCO: VICTORIOUS

