

**Webster University Department of Music
Instrumental Ensemble Placement Auditions
Fall 2011**



Audition information for all
Webster University Instrumental Performance Ensembles:

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- Webster University Chamber Orchestra** (for all String Players)
 - Webster University Symphony Orchestra** (for Advanced Players)
 - Webster Wind Ensemble** (for all Woodwind, Brass and Percussion)
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There are two types of Audition Materials
CHOOSE WHICH MATERIALS TO USE ACCORDINGLY BELOW

General Audition Materials: Recommended for non-Music Majors
Advanced Audition Materials: Required for Music Majors and those students interested in Webster University Symphony Orchestra or advanced placement in Webster University Wind Ensemble

These auditions will determine placement and seating for all the ensembles. Auditions are open to all Webster University students, *regardless of major*. We encourage everyone to be a part of the exciting musical culture available on the Webster campus!

WUSO meets on selected Tuesdays from 7:30-10:00 PM
WUCO meets Tuesdays from 12:00-1:20 PM and Thursdays from 5:15-6:45 PM
WUWE meets Mondays-Wednesdays-Fridays from 12:00-12:50 PM

**ALL WOODWIND, BRASS AND PERCUSSION PLAYERS WILL PERFORM IN THE
WEBSTER UNIVERSITY WIND ENSEMBLE - REGISTER FOR MUSC 4980**

**A SELECT NUMBER OF WIND, BRASS AND PERCUSSION MUSICIANS WILL BE
INVITED TO ALSO PERFORM WITH THE WEBSTER UNIVERSITY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA.
THESE DECISIONS WILL BE MADE IN CONJUNCTION
BY THE ENSEMBLE CONDUCTORS AND STUDIO TEACHERS.**

**ALL STRING MUSICIANS WILL PERFORM IN THE
WEBSTER UNIVERSITY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA - REGISTER FOR MUSC 4940**

When:	Woodwinds, Brass and Percussion – Sunday August 21 from 12:30-3:30 PM Strings - Tuesday, August 23, 2010 from 6:00 – 10:00 PM
Where:	On stage at the Webster Community Music School – 535 Garden Street
What to do:	Sign up for an audition time at the Instrumental Ensembles bulletin board on the first floor of the Music Building. <i>Audition registration sheets will be available beginning August 15.</i>

Audition Material

Strings – Webster University Chamber Orchestra

Woodwinds, Brass and Percussion – Webster University Wind Ensemble

GENERAL AUDITION MATERIALS (Chamber Orchestra and Wind Ensemble)

- 1) Be prepared to show your knowledge of Chromatic and Major Scales.
- 2) Prepare the GENERAL AUDITION musical excerpts. There will be two very short excerpts, one lyrical and one articulate. This will take approximately 60 seconds.
- 3) Prepare an excerpt selection of your choice from a solo or etude of your choice. This selection must be no more than two minutes in length. Choose a portion of the solo or etude that features your musical and technical strengths.

ADVANCED AUDITION MATERIALS (For WUSO and advanced WUWE Placement)

(Please note that the materials for WUSO auditions are significantly more difficult.)

- 1) Be prepared to show your knowledge of Chromatic, Major and Minor Scales.
- 2) Each performer will prepare an extensive set of musical excerpts selected for their instrument. Each auditioner will be asked to perform 2-5 of the excerpts.
- 3) Each performer will prepare a solo or etude excerpt selection of their own choice. This selection must be no more than three minutes in length. Choose a portion of the solo or etude that features your musical and technical strengths.

Excerpts will be available by August 1 online at the Webster University Department of Music webpage **OR** in the lobby on the first floor of the Music Building located at 8282 Big Bend Blvd.

BE CERTAIN TO OBTAIN THE CORRECT MATERIALS FOR YOUR AUDITION!!!

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Ensemble Assignment

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If you have any questions in regard to auditions, please contact Dr. Paul Davis by phone at 314-968-7040 or by email at pauldavis34@webster.edu.

**SHARE YOUR TALENT!!!
BE PART OF THE WEBSTER MUSIC EXPERIENCE!!!**