

## **VIOLA**

### **Final Audition Requirements**

2023 – 2024 Season

#### **1. Major & Melodic Minor Scales**

- Auditionees should have all scales prepared. The judge's choice of scales will be announced once confirmed.
- One major and one melodic minor scale in the keys below:

C major	F major	Bb major	Eb major	Ab major	G major	D major	A major	E major
A minor	D minor	G minor	C minor	F minor	E minor	B minor	F# minor	C# minor

- Three octaves
- Four eighth notes slurred per bow OR six triplets slurred per bow (musician's choice)
- Quarter note between 80-90 bpm

#### **2. Solo**

Musicians are expected to play 3-4 minutes from a solo of their choice.

- Play without accompaniment.
- Select a section of the solo that best demonstrates your playing ability.
- The degree of difficulty of the chosen work is factored into the judging, but the execution of the piece is equally considered.

#### **3. Orchestral Excerpts**

Please play the excerpts listed below.

- **BRAHMS** Variation on a Theme by Haydn, Variation V; beginning – [H]
- **SHOSTAKOVICH** Symphony No. 5, mvt. 1; pickup to 2 after [15] – [17]
- **MENDELSSOHN** *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Scherzo; [C] – [D]



BRAHMS Variation on a Theme by Haydn, Variation V; beginning – [H]  
(top line only)

**Var. V**  
**Vivace**

206 *fp legg.* *sf p* *sf p* *f*

212 *pp legg.* *pp legg.* Hr. I *sfp legg.* *sfp legg.*

218 *sf* *sf* *f* *pp legg.* *pp legg.*

224 *f* *f* *p*

[G]

[H]



St. Louis Symphony  
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Youth Orchestra

SHOSTAKOVICH Symphony No. 5, mvt. I; pickup to 2 after [15] to [17]

Musical score for Shostakovich Symphony No. 5, mvt. I, measures 15-17. Measure 15 is marked with a '1' and 'p espress.'. Measure 16 is marked with 'ba ba'. Measure 17 is marked with '17'.

MENDELSSOHN A Midsummer Night's Dream, Scherzo; [C] – [D]

Musical notation for measure C, marked with 'C' and 'pp'.

Musical score for Mendelssohn A Midsummer Night's Dream, Scherzo, measures C-D. The score consists of four staves of music. Measure C is marked with 'C' and 'pp'. Measure D is marked with 'D'.