NEW YORK YOUTH SYMPHONY

2019-2020 AUDITIONS

BASSOON EXCERPTS

CONTRABASSOON EXCERPTS (OPTIONAL)

Thank you for applying for the New York Youth Symphony! Below please find your audition excerpts. Note: Auditions for contrabassoon are optional, but we highly encourage you to showcase your ability to play contrabassoon, if you are able.

Audition excerpts may be performed in any order you prefer. You may be asked to perform sight-reading excerpts, both melodic and rhythmic. You may also be asked to demonstrate various different basic techniques germane to your instrument, which may include knowledge of major and minor scales and/or bowing/tonguing techniques. You may also be asked to perform solo repertoire.

Please note that due to time constraints, you may not be asked to perform every excerpt, or to perform your solo repertoire. Please place the highest priority in your preparation to the audition excerpts.

I highly recommend that you listen to many recordings as you prepare these excerpts. Please place special emphasis on stylistic techniques, and especially dynamic and technical markings from the composers. I have left approximate tempos for you.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to ask! Good luck!

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BASSOON EXCERPTS:
   1) RIMSKY-KORSAKOFF: Scheherazade – Mvt. 2, Solo ➔ A
   2) RIMSKY-KORSAKOFF: Scheherazade – Mvt. 2, L ➔ M
   3) RESPIGHI: Pines of Rome – Mvt. 1, Opening ➔ Reh. 4

CONTRABASSOON EXCERPTS (OPTIONAL):
   1) RESPIGHI: Pines of Rome – Mvt. 2, Reh. 11 ➔ 18 after Reh. 12
Bassoon Excerpt 1
Tempo Rubato, Around Eighth = 116

Rimsky-Korsakov — Scheherazade, Op. 35

Fagotto I.

II.

Andantino.

Lento, Recit.

Solo.

Viol. Solo Cad. capriccioso, quasi recitando

a tempo

rif. assai.
O. Respighi

Pini di Roma

I. I pini di Villa Borghese

Allegro vivace

Fagotto I.