



School of Music

DATE: August 20, 2015
TO: Concordia Symphony Orchestra members
FROM: Jennifer Maxfield, Events & Services Coordinator
RE: Concordia Symphony Orchestra 2015–16

Greetings to each of you! We trust you have been enjoying a pace that is less hectic, allowing for rest, relaxation, and recreation of body, mind, and spirit. We look forward to having you in Concordia Symphony Orchestra as we anticipate the fall. Most of the pertinent information for the season is here.

Once again this season you can register online, using a Google form or by completing and emailing me a fillable PDF; both forms are posted at music.concordia.ab.ca > Ensembles. Each form lists payment options including credit card, cheque, or money order or cash (in-person delivery only!). Your registration will be complete once payment is received. Or simply download, fill out, and mail or fax a registration form with payment the old-fashioned way!

The first rehearsal of the season is scheduled for **September 9**, Wednesday, at 7:30 pm in Tegler Student Centre. Personnel for this year includes David Hoyt, conductor. Dress rehearsals as indicated or TBA.

REPERTOIRE / SCHEDULE

September 9 First rehearsal of the season

November 1 Concert: “Orchestral Fireworks”

Rossini, Semiramide Overture

Massenet, Le Cid: Ballet Music

Forsyth, Jubilee Overture

Stravinsky, Firebird Suite

Sunday 2 pm Bethel Lutheran, 298 Bethel Drive, Sherwood Park

Dress rehearsal Sat. Oct. 31, 3–5 pm Bethel Lutheran Church

November 11 No rehearsal—Reading Week

December 16

Final rehearsal before Christmas

January 6

First rehearsal of the new year

January 31 & February 7 Concerts:

“Schumann, Shakespeare, and Schlosser”

Milton Schlosser (U of A/Augustana), piano

Gounod, *Funeral March for a Marionette*

Schumann, Piano Concerto in A minor Op. 54

Mendelssohn, Incidental Music from

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Tchaikovsky, Fantasy Overture on

Romeo and Juliet

Sun. Jan. 31 concert **Tegler** at 2 pm

Sun. Feb. 7 concert **in Camrose** at 2 pm

Dress rehearsal Sat. Jan. 30, 3–5 pm in Tegler

February 17 No rehearsal—Reading Week

April 22 Concert: “Voicestra”

Berlioz, *Les nuits d'été*

Lizzy Hoyt, vocalist

Mahler, Symphony No. 1 in D Major,

“The Titan”

FRIDAY Apr. 22 concert **Tegler** at 7:30 pm

Dress rehearsal Wed. Apr. 20, 7:30 pm

REHEARSALS

Wednesday rehearsals run from 7:30 to 9:30 pm in Tegler Centre on Concordia's campus (enter south off 112th Avenue at 73rd Street, just west of Wayne Gretzky Drive).

PARKING

The parking lot between the athletic field and Tegler Centre is available to you. Ensemble parking passes are now obsolete: instead on the registration form you can **submit licence plate numbers** of up to two vehicles, either of which you may use during rehearsals and concerts, which will be exempt from fees and ticketing during those times.

MUSIC

Music will be issued at the first rehearsal once registration fees have been paid (one of the reasons pre-registration is helpful). All music must be returned at the end of the corresponding concert. For any music not returned within a week of the concert you will be charged a late fee.

DRESS

Dress for performances is all black (bottom and top) for women, and black suit & tie with white shirt for men. Please be sure you have secured this outfit for the first performance in November.

FEES

Registration for the basic year is \$175; if you pre-register by August 28, the cost is **\$155**. Partial-year registration is available at \$60 per concert (please indicate which concerts). Concordia faculty, staff, and students may register at a discounted rate of \$110 for the year.

REGISTRATION

New registrants must complete a successful audition before registering; for inquiries contact mireille.rijavec@concordia.ab.ca.

The most efficient way to register is online with our Google form, using a credit card or other form of payment as indicated, linked at music.concordia.ab.ca > Ensembles. Or, from the same page you may download, complete, and return a fillable registration PDF, following instructions for a range of payment options. Your registration is complete once we receive payment.

For the **early-bird discount**, PRE-REGISTER and pay by Aug. 28. Mail PDFs to Jennifer Maxfield, Concordia, 7128 Ada Boulevard, Edmonton, AB T5B 4E4 with a post-dated cheque (Sept. 3, 2015) payable to **Concordia University of Edmonton**. Or email (jennifer.maxfield@concordia.ab.ca) or FAX (780 474 1933) your registration form, and phone in (780 479 9201) your credit card information. Or stop by the student accounts office in the Hole Academic Centre (down the hall from Tegler) during business hours (M–F, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.) to pay in person.

IN-PERSON registration will take place in Tegler Centre on Wed., September 2, beginning at 6:15 p.m. Bring along your form. If you have pre-registered, simply check for your music number assignment.

REFUNDS AND WITHDRAWAL POLICY

1. Concordia University College of Alberta reserves the right to cancel any course due to insufficient enrolment. In this case, a full refund will be issued.
2. Withdrawal **before rehearsals begin** is eligible for a refund of the registration fee less a \$25 service charge.
3. Withdrawal **within 24 hours of the first rehearsal** is eligible for a full credit or 50% refund (after \$25 service charge). All refunds are processed through the School of Music Events & Services Coordinator, Jennifer Maxfield (780 479 9304).
4. N.S.F. cheques will be subject to a \$20 service charge.