

2024 PERFORMANCE PROGRAM: BASSOON

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: ROUND 1

Correct at time of issue, but subject to change.

PART A – WRITTEN MATERIAL

*Please upload the following documents as 4 separate PDF files, clearly labelled as:
LAST NAME_First Name_Instrument_DocName*

- Curriculum Vitae, including the following information:
 - Duration of study on the instrument you are applying on
 - Institutions or schools at which you have studied, including year commenced and completed
 - Instrumental music teachers in the last 4 years, providing name, email and contact phone number
 - Performance experience in the following:
 - Chamber music
 - Orchestral works
 - Your instrument and any major solo works performed in the last 5 years
 - Details of any awards, bursaries or scholarships you have been awarded
 - Details of any additional instruments studied, and at what level
- **Academic Transcripts and Qualifications**
Please provide your current academic transcript/s (unofficial transcripts accepted).
- **Personal Statement – why ANAM?**
Please write a 300-word statement articulating your immediate to long-term artistic goals, and how ANAM is relevant in realising these objectives. Please also provide a detailed outline of any anticipated or pre-existing affiliations over the next 12 months (AYO, ACO Emerging Artists, MSO Academy, SSO Fellowship, overseas study, etc).
- **Chamber Music Experience & Aspirations**
Please write a brief statement (maximum of 300-word) outlining:
 - Chamber music experience to date, including repertoire performed, key ensembles, performances or masterclass opportunities.
 - Your chamber music aspirations at ANAM, including repertoire you wish to learn / perform, and any current ANAM musicians or potential 2024 applicants you may wish to work alongside (if known).

PART B – RECORDED AUDITION

- Two contrasting works, or movements from a work, or part thereof
- [Optional] A recent recording of a chamber music performance. A single movement or a 5 - 10 mins excerpt of a larger work is acceptable. This requirement is optional, but highly encouraged.

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: ROUND 2

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ROUND 2 – ONLINE AUDITION (VIA ZOOM)

- Live Performance / Lesson. Candidates will be asked to perform live (without piano) part of the Round 1B repertoire. This selection will be advised 3 days prior to the audition and workshopped in a live lesson format.
- Orchestral Excerpts (*as attached*):
 - MOZART Overture from *The Marriage of Figaro*, K.492
 - RAVEL *Boléro*
 - TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony no.4 in F minor, op.36 (ii. Andantino in modo di canzona)
- Sight-reading, to be screen-shared during the audition.
- A short interview with the ANAM audition panel.

AUDITION RECORDING GUIDELINES

- Each required work is to be recorded separately, and filmed in one continuous, unedited take. Orchestral excerpts are to be recorded together in one continuous take.
- Applicants are to clearly state their full name at the beginning of their first recording.
- Record each required work for your instrument in full, including cadenzas, where applicable.
- Works with piano accompaniment must be performed with piano, unless stated otherwise in the requirements. Orchestral excerpts are to be performed without accompaniment.
- The ANAM panel reserves the right to hear whole or part of any work.
- ANAM acknowledges the limitation of and access to standard recording facilities and will accept recordings filmed in multiple locations.
- Please be advised that in submitting material, applicants should be aware of the sound quality of their recording/s. Where possible, recordings should be made in a reasonably sized room and use an external microphone.
- All submissions are to be video files, submitted in .mp4 format at 720p (720x1280) or 1080p (1920x1080) pixel resolution. Any other file format will not be accepted.

RECORDING AND FILE SETTINGS

All files are to be recorded in a high-quality format but of an appropriate file size for uploading.

ANAM recommends checking the following settings on your recording device before recording:

- Please set your video resolution to 720p or 1080p, with a frame rate of 25fps.
- If your device has independent audio settings, aim for the highest bitrate possible (320kbps mp3 or 24 bit/48 kHz WAV).
- Recordings must be uploaded as .mp4 files.

Each file should be smaller than 1gb. If your file size is too large, use a third-party program (i.e. Handbrake) to compress the size of your video.

OPTIMAL PLACEMENT OF MICROPHONE

You may need to experiment to find the best placement for an external microphone, but a good general starting point is where the instrument sounds best to the ear - often a spot between 1 and 2 metres in front of your instrument, and at approximately head height. You will need to adjust this depending on the space you are performing in.

If your recording is lacking clarity, move the mic closer. If your recording is sounding harsh or if it is picking up too much noise (eg. bow scraping, key noise), move the mic further away.

For further assistance, contact ANAM AV & Operations Coordinator, Nathan Ellul at n.ellul@anam.com.au.

ROUND 2

MOZART Overture from *The Marriage of Figaro*

Presto

Presto
a 2
pp

6

16

23

34

44

53

3 4 5 6

A 7 6

p p f

ROUND 2

RAVEL *Boléro*

Tempo di Bolero, moderato assai

The musical score is presented in four systems, each with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The first system begins with a boxed number '2' above the treble clef. A large bracket spans the first two measures of the solo part, with a '1' below it. The solo part is marked 'Solo' and 'mp' (mezzo-piano). The second system continues the solo part with a '3' below the treble clef. The third system also continues the solo part with a '3' below the treble clef. The fourth system concludes with a boxed number '3' above the treble clef and a large closing bracket. The piano accompaniment consists of sustained chords in the bass clef.

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TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony no.4 in F minor, op.36 (ii. Andantino in modo di canzona)

Musical score for Bassoon, measures 268-288. The score is in F minor (three flats) and 3/8 time. It features a solo passage starting at measure 268, marked *pp* (pianissimo). The passage includes a five-measure rest at the beginning. The tempo is Andantino. The score concludes with a *morendo* (diminuendo) marking.

268 5 *Solo*
pp

280 *espress.*

288 9 *Solo*
pp *morendo*