

2023 Oboe (and optional English Horn) Audition Packet

2023 VYOA auditions at the Elley-Long Music Center will include:

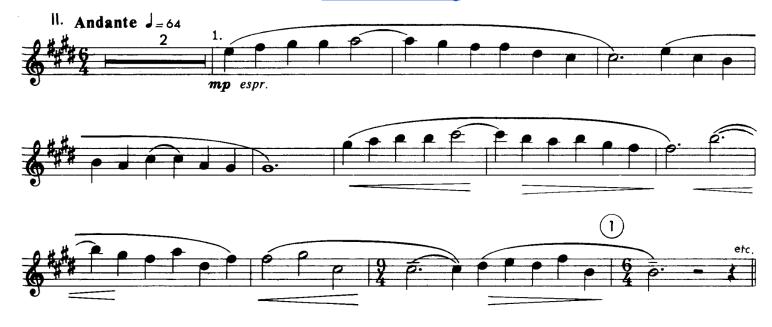
- Scale & arpeggio: Prepare one major OR one minor scale of your choice with corresponding arpeggio. The scale and arpeggio should be played at a minimum tempo of quarter note = 80. Prepare the number of octaves that best represents your range of ability. The scale and arpeggio do not need to be memorized.
- 2. **Solo of your choice** (without accompaniment): Prepare a brief solo that best demonstrates your technical and expressive capabilities. 2 minutes of your solo will be heard, so select a starting point that will showcase your best playing. Your piece does not need to be memorized.
- 3. **Sight Reading:** A short passage selected by the adjudicators will be provided in the audition.
- 4. Orchestral excerpt: Choose ONE of the excerpts from the list below and prepare it to the best of your ability. Tempos given are suggestions and you will not be penalized for deviating from them. OPTIONAL: You may choose to prepare ONE of the English Horn excerpts if you would like to be considered for English Horn parts. No scales, solo, or sight reading will be done on English Horn, only the optional excerpt.



Excerpt B Brahms- Symphony No. 1, Mvt. 2 ¾ Time.Quarter Note=50 BPM. Example Recording



Excerpt C Barber- Violin Concerto, Mvt. 2 6/4 time. Quarter note=64 BPM. <u>Reference Recording</u>



Excerpt D Beethoven- Symphony No. 5 Cut time, Half note=116 BPM



English Horn Excerpt A Borodin- In the Steppes of Central Asia 2/4 time, quarter note=72. Start at letter A, stop before letter B. Example Recording



