2019-2020 Season
Jazz Orchestra Audition Information

Virtuosi of Houston is creating a new jazz orchestra this season. Auditions for orchestra membership will be held on:

- Saturday, January 11, 2020 | 1 PM
- Sunday, January 12, 2020 | 1 PM
- Wednesday, January 22, 2020 | 7 PM – 9 PM
- Sunday, January 26, 2020 | 1 PM
- Wednesday, January 29, 2020 | 7 PM – 9 PM

All auditions will be held at the Virtuosi of Houston Studio located in Memorial City Mall, Houston. A map of our location is available on the website.

Highlights of Virtuosi of Houston Jazz Orchestra:
- A premier youth jazz orchestra in Houston
- Virtuosi of Houston will select approximately 18 musicians by audition each season.
- Noe Marmolejo is the Artistic Director and Conductor of the Jazz Orchestra. He serves on the faculty of the University of Houston Moores School of Music as the Director of Jazz Ensembles.
- This season will include one concert performance at Virtuosi of Houston’s annual concert and dinner gala on Mar 28, 2020 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Houston
- Rehearsals are held in Virtuosi’s 5,000 square foot studio in Memorial City Mall
- There will be six (6) rehearsals before the March concert on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm starting on February 5, 2020
- Dinner is provided by Virtuosi of Houston during rehearsals at break time
- Concert programs are professionally designed and include a headshot and biography for each student member

Virtuosi of Houston operates on the theory that absorbing instruction in an intense, short period of time produces an excellent end product. The student musicians benefit from the focused instruction that this smaller sized orchestra provides and the outstanding direction, expertise and knowledge of Mr. Marmolejo.
EXPECTATIONS

All Virtuosi of Houston members are expected to:

- Commit to attending all the rehearsals for the entire concert season. Three unexcused absences may result in dismissal from the orchestra. In the case of direct conflict with a school event, the school event will always take precedence. All absences must be emailed to jazz@virtuosiofhouston.org by 2:00 pm the day of the absence.

- Individually practice their respective parts and come prepared to rehearsals at the best of their ability.

- Demonstrate the highest standards of personal integrity with respect to one another, to the Artistic Director, and to representatives of management, the staff, volunteers, and the Board of Directors of the organization.

Virtuosi of Houston will provide:

- Many exciting musical experiences.

- An atmosphere of mutual respect and professionalism.

- A Music Director who will fully share their knowledge and expertise during rehearsals and concerts.
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Procedures and Audition Requirements

Audition Requirements:

- New members and any Virtuosi of Houston chamber orchestra members must audition.
- All applicants should be in High School grades 9-12.
- All applicants need to complete the two-page application form and pay a non-refundable application fee.
- Application fee for new applicants is $45. Checks made payable to Virtuosi of Houston. Master Card, Visa and American Express credit cards are accepted.

New Members Should Prepare the Following (memorization is not required):

- 2019 TMEA Region Jazz Etudes – Play two of your choice

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The tuition fee for the Spring 2020 season is $375 per student and is payable upon acceptance. Students in need of financial assistance or payment arrangements should send a written request for tuition assistance within 10 days of acceptance notice. The form is available on the Virtuosi website, or a printed form will be mailed if requested. The executive committee of the Virtuosi of Houston Board of Directors will rule on all applications for financial assistance. (Please note: All applications must include a copy of both sides of the first page of their 2018 Federal income tax return, with your adjusted gross income information.)

Application and audition fee must be received prior to the preferred audition date. If the deadline for application cannot be met, please call to request a waiver.

For additional information, please call Noe Marmolejo at 281-813-5892
Mail or E-mail the two-page application form and non-refundable application fee to:

303 Memorial City Way, Suite 235
Houston, TX  77024

Email: jazz@virtuosiofhouston.org
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JAZZ ORCHESTRA AUDITION APPLICATION FORM | 2019-2020 SEASON

REQUESTED AUDITION DATE: ☐ SAT, JAN 11, 2020 ☐ SUN, JAN 12, 2020 ☐ WED, JAN 22, 2020
☐ SUN, JAN 26, 2020 ☐ WED, JAN 29, 2020

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STUDENT INFORMATION:

NAME: ____________________________________________

INSTRUMENT: ______________________________________

ADDRESS: ______________________________________ CITY: __________________ STATE: ______ ZIP: ______

HOME PHONE: _________________________ CELL PHONE: ______________________

STUDENT EMAIL: ____________________________


SCHOOL DISTRICT: ____________________________

PARENT INFORMATION:

PARENT NAME: _________________________________

PARENT’S ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE):

ADDRESS: ______________________________________ CITY: ________________ STATE: ______ ZIP: ______

HOME PHONE: _________________________ WORK PHONE: _______________________ CELL: ______________________

PARENT’S EMAIL: ____________________________

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PARENT’S EMAIL: ____________________________

MUSIC EDUCATION:

NUMBER OF YEARS MUSICAL STUDY: ________________________________

BAND DIRECTOR’S NAME: __________________________________ PHONE: ______________________

ADDRESS: ______________________________________ CITY: ________________ STATE: ______ ZIP: ______

PRIVATE TEACHER NAME: __________________________________ PHONE: ______________________

ADDRESS: ______________________________________ CITY: ________________ STATE: ______ ZIP: ______
Region/State Experience:

Previous Jazz Orchestra Experience:

Please attach additional pages if necessary.