

announces openings for

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The Helena Symphony Orchestra & Chorale under Music Director Allan R. Scott an annual concert season of 14-20 concerts, including 6 subscription concerts, 3 non-series concerts, 5 educational concerts, and several outreach / school visits.

The Helena Symphony Orchestra works under a master agreement. There are 2-5 rehearsals one week prior to every concert series.

Start Date:July 1, 2014Reports to:Director of Artistic Planning, Operations Manager, and Music DirectorLength of Season:September to May plus a summer concert in July)

AUDITION

In order to exist as an orchestra of the highest quality, the Helena Symphony Orchestra encourages talented and dedicated musicians to audition. Musicians are judged on musicianship, preparation, tone quality, and proficiency on their instrument.

The Audition Committee consists of the Music Director, any assistant conductor, and principal members of the section(s) or instrument family (i.e. winds), and at times, other members from that section. Prior to the audition, the candidate must complete the Audition Information Form as well as review the Rehearsal & Performance Schedule.

If accepted into the Orchestra, the musician works under a Master Agreement negotiated by the musician-elected Players Council.

The Audition consists of the following:

- * Prepared unaccompanied solo; 2 minutes in length to demonstrate instrument proficiency, tone quality, technique, and virtuosity (need not be memorized)
- * Several prepared excerpts that are assigned to demonstrate musician's preparation ability The Helena Symphony can assist with providing the excerpts if necessary.

Viola

Solo: One movement of solo Bach OR Hindemith OR Walton concertos OR a solo of choice

Standard Excerpts from (Candidate may choose four):

Beethoven	Symphony No. 5	Andante con moto
Mozart	Symphony No. 35	Movement IV
Brahms	Variations on a Theme by Haydn	Variations V
Mendelssohn	Midsummer Night's Dream	Scherzo
Tchaikovsky	Symphony No. 6	Movement I, Allegro non troppo to C