

Concert Strings 2014-2015

Performance plans:

We will not have a concert in the first quarter.

Tuesday, December 9 6:30 p.m. (tentative) Winter Concert - all strings groups

Tuesday, March 10 6:30 p.m. Third Quarter Concert, strings & choir

Tuesday, May 19 6:30 p.m. Spring Concert

[FYI, Symphonic Strings may also play for the Barnes & Noble Book Fair (Sunday, November 23 @ 2:00), and may compete in the ABODA Area Concert Festival (Friday, February 27, during school time).]

Concert attire for 2014-15:

All gentlemen will wear:

white **long-sleeved** dress shirts

tie (same as last year - \$11. to buy or \$5. each time to borrow)

black slacks (no black jeans!)

black shoes (no sneakers!) and black socks

All ladies will wear:

3/4-sleeve jewel neck black top (cost: \$30, includes shipping); I will order on 9/15

[please be aware that you may want to wear a black cami under this top, so no extra skin is showing!]

[if you would like to see this top, go to #9763AA in black at:

https://www.formalfashionsinc.com/sas/sas.php?category_id=2]

black slacks (nothing that looks "painted on", no capri-length)

black shoes with black hose, trouser socks, or socks

Other Deadlines and Dates:

Friday, November 14	Payment deadline to audition for <u>High School or Middle School</u> Regional Festival and/or MS Solo & Ensemble. \$20.00 for each event, payable to "NPA"
Saturday, January 24	HS Region auditions
Friday, February 6	Payment deadline for HS Region Participation (\$20.00)
Thurs-Sat, Feb. 19-21	High School Region Festival – details to follow
Friday, February 27	Payment deadline for HS All State auditions (\$20.00)
Saturday, February 28	Middle School Region Auditions & Solo & Ensemble NOTE: These auditions will be at Prescott Mile High MS
Saturday, March 14	HS All State auditions at Mountain Pointe HS
Friday, March 27	Payment deadline for HS All State Participation (\$25.00)
Thurs.-Sat., April 16-18	HS All State Festival, at U of A
May 1-2	Middle School Region Festival at Page HS

Flagstaff Symphony Info:

September 26 (Friday) at Ardrey Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. – “Symphonic Synthesis”, music of Bach, Cindy McTee, Saint-Saens (Carnival of the Animals) & Schumann (Symphony#3).

October 24 (Friday) at Ardrey Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. – “Fantastic FSO”: music of Dvorak, Liszt, and Berlioz (Symphonie Fantastique) – costume contest & student art display.

December 4 & 5 (Friday & Saturday) at Ardrey, 7:30 p.m. - Holiday Concert, featuring "The Nutcracker" - a part of this concert will be repeated (and free!) on Saturday, December 5 at 2:00 p.m. - get your tickets early for this one!

January 28 (Friday) at Ardrey, 7:30 p.m. – “Breaking Boundaries”: music of William Grant Still, Bruce Reiprich (from NAU), and Beethoven (Symphony #6)

March 6 (Friday) at Ardrey, 7:30 p.m. – “British Invasion”: music of the Beatles, featuring “Jeans ‘n Classics”

April 17 (Friday) at Ardrey, 7:30 p.m. – “Carmina Burana”: with the Master Chorale of Flagstaff

Grading:

Grading for this year will be based on the same scale for all quarters. Only the content of the Playing Quizzes will change. These are the approximate values:

Concert preparation	25%
Playing quizzes	20%
Concert performance	30%
Writing prompts	15%
Attention/attitude	10%

Quarter 1:	Playing Quizzes	(Essential Elements)
Quarter 2:	Playing Quizzes	(Essential Elements + concert pieces)
Quarter 3:	Playing Quizzes	(Region excerpts + concert pieces)
Quarter 4:	Playing Quizzes	(concert pieces + as assigned)

We will also do Karate Strings “belts” (Apprentice Level) to mark your progress!

Other:

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