

Mission College Symphony - Music 48

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Enrollment

Enrollment in the Mission College Symphony Orchestra is required for all participants. Please be sure to enroll in Music 48 A,B,C or D. It is important that all members enrolled before receiving scores. Your prompt enrollment is also important to insure the sustainability of the ensemble. Please see Prof. Ordaz if you have any enrollment questions.

Grading Policy

Your grade in the class is directly related to your attendance. You will receive a standard letter grade for the class or you may choose the Credit/No Credit option. Please let me know by the 8th week of classes if you choose this option.

This semester, there are 11 scheduled rehearsals and 2 required performances.

Letter grades will be assigned as follows:

<u>Attended at:</u>	<u>Grade</u>
9 or more + 2 performances =	A
8 rehear. + 2 perf.=	B
7 rehear. + 2 perf. =	C
6 rehear. + 2 perf. =	D
(7 rehearsals + the 2 performances required to receive Credit)	

Sheet Music Policy

You will be issued sheet music for practice and performance. In many cases this music will be the original part, which is also the only part we have. You are responsible for the whereabouts and condition of all materials given to you. The music you are being given does not belong to you; it belongs to the Mission College Music Department or is on loan from another college. Therefore, you must return every piece in good condition. It may be best to have a photocopy of the music to take home and leave the original at the college. Contact the orchestra librarian or myself to make arrangements. If you cannot be present to a rehearsal it is your responsibility to make arrangements for your music to be at the rehearsal.

Please be aware that if you lose or damage a piece of music that is an original, you will be held responsible for the replacement of the part. If it becomes necessary you will be asked to pay for the replacement of lost or damaged music.

Concert Participation

Performance is not optional. Missing a performance for anything other than a seriously urgent or pre-approved reason could cause you to fail or be dropped from the ensemble. If you know in advance that you have a conflict with one of the performance dates, please contact me as soon as possible.

Rehearsal Schedule and Attendance

A rehearsal schedule is supplied below.. Though listed as 9:20 AM in the schedule of classes, each rehearsal will begin at 9:30 AM. Please arrive with sufficient time to set up and warm up. If you arrive late, please do so quietly and with as little disruption as possible. If you know in advance that you will be significantly late or will need to miss a rehearsal, please contact me at the phone or email above so I can plan the rehearsal time effectively. Unexpected emergencies or sudden absences happen but please do your best to commit the rehearsal time in your schedule so the ensemble can prepare properly.

Rehearsal and practice are not the same. Your preparation for rehearsal will be greatly appreciated by myself and your colleagues.

The following is a tentative schedule for Spring 2007:

- 2/3 first rehearsal
- 2/10 rehearsal
- 2/17 no class (president's weekend)
- 2/24 rehearsal
- 3/3 rehearsal
- 3/10 rehearsal
- 3/17 no class (I'll be out of town)
- 3/24 rehearsal
- 3/31 no class - spring break (optional rehearsal?)
- 4/7 rehearsal
- 4/14 rehearsal
- 4/21 rehearsal & 5:00PM @ Mission College 30th Gala (exact performance time TBA)
- 4/28 rehearsal
- 5/4 (FRIDAY) dress rehearsal 7:00 PM
- 5/5 (SATURDAY) 6:45 - 7:15 PM warm-up before concert and 8:00 PM CONCERT (Please arrive by 6:30 PM)
- 5/12 last meeting of semester (watch performance video, discuss fall semester, etc.)

(All of the regular Saturday rehearsals will be from 9:30 AM - 12:20 PM unless announced otherwise. There will be a 15-20 break around 10:45 each rehearsal)

Concert Attire

- **Women:** Black dress or suit; or black skirt w/black or; or, black and Appropriate dress black shoes.
- **Men:** "Tux-look". You do not have to purchase or rent a tuxedo. White shirt, black coat, black slacks, black belt, black shoes, and black bow tie.
- **Both Genders:** Do not make the embarrassing mistake of being the only one not in concert black. (Any changes in concert attire will be announced in advance @ rehearsal)

Mission College makes reasonable accommodations for persons with documented disabilities. Students should notify DISC (Disability Instructional Support Center) located in S2-201 (855-5085) of any special needs.

In accordance with the Statutes of the State of California (AB 846, Chapter 342), Mission College establishes a smoke-free campus. Effective July 1, 2005, smoking is prohibited in all campus areas with the exception of the college parking lots. All smoking materials must be extinguished and properly disposed of in ash urns distributed along the boundary of the parking lot and main campus. Please help us to notify others, including campus guests, of this new policy.