

Sydney Symphony Fellowship 2024 Audition Requirements

Viola

Overleaf is a copy of the VIOLA audition excerpts and set repertoire information for the first and second round of the Fellowship 2024 auditions. Before starting, please read the information below.

First round applications for Fellowship 2024 are by **video audition only**. For your convenience, both first and second round requirements have been provided in this package. We strongly encourage you to start preparing these materials as soon as you can, in preparation for the event that you are selected to undertake a live second round audition. Please note the Sydney Symphony Orchestra will provide an accompanist for the second round auditions.

Recording Guidelines:

- Submit two videos, each video recorded in one single unedited take.
 - Video 1: Set Repertoire (if required)
 - Video 2: Excerpts
 - *Recorded in the order listed.*
 - *List start time and title of each individual excerpt. This can be submitted as extra material or as time stamps when using third party hosting sites.*
- Both videos are to be recorded on the same day.
- Recordings to be made in the presence of a witness/recording engineer and recorded within the last 12 months.
 - Upload your audition videos to a web sharing platform and generate URL links. *YouTube, Vimeo, Dropbox, Google drive etc.*
 - *Note security settings: YouTube – select “Unlisted”, this ensures that only those with the link can view your video. Vimeo – select “only people with a password” and remember to email us your password.*
- Complete the Video Recording Declaration form as provided on the following page.

Please submit your video URL link and completed recording declaration on the following page to auditions@sydneyssymphony.com by **11.59pm, Friday 5 May 2023**.

Presenting your Audition Video

It is in your best interests to provide the panel with the highest possible quality, both in regards to your playing, as well as in regards to the technical side of your recording. YouTube or Vimeo are our preferred web-based video sharing platforms.

Some tips when preparing to record your audition video.

- Use a room with a **good acoustic**. It is preferable if the same room (acoustic) is used for both the set repertoire and the excerpts.
- We recommend recording with a **separate microphone** and with **high-definition video** in 720pHD at 30fps or 1080pHD at 30fps or 60fps.
- **Experiment** with microphone placement. **Listen back** with a good pair of headphones. You are the best judge – if you are happy with the sound quality, then chances are we will be.
- Consider how your video is presented **visually**. Ensure your camera is stable when recording – use a tripod. Ensure that you are not too far back in the screen shot. Clear the area that is in the screen shot of clutter, such as instrument cases and other miscellaneous items.

What happens next?

Your audition video links will be forwarded to the panel to shortlist for the second round auditions. The audition panel is made up of SSO musicians from the applicable section as well as selected musicians from across the orchestra who will sit across all live auditions.

Results will be communicated to applicants on Friday 26 May 2023. If you are successful in advancing to the second round, you will be required to travel to Sydney for a live audition on Tuesday 20 June 2023.

Sydney Symphony Fellowship 2024 Video Recording Declaration

Viola – Round 1

When submitting a video audition, you are required to complete the following declaration.

I, _____ (applicant), declare that the enclosed video recording is a true and accurate representation of my playing for the purposes of auditioning for the Sydney Symphony Orchestra Fellowship 2024.

It was recorded on: _____ (date).

The video in my submission has been recorded in one single unedited take.

Signed: _____
(Applicant)

Date _____

Signed: _____
(Witness e.g. sound engineer)

Date _____

Any questions? Please contact auditions@sydneyssymphony.com

Fellowship 2024 – Viola

Orchestral excerpts, Round 1

Solo repertoire – accompanied *(not included in this booklet)*

First movement exposition of any classical concerto (with cadenza)
(Hoffmeister, Stamitz, etc.)

Audition excerpts

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	Excerpt 1	6

Please note

*These excerpts will appear at about 81% of their original size when printed on A4 paper.
The SSO will supply a hard copy of these excerpts at 100% size (on B4 paper) on request.
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MOZART Symphony No.35 in D, K.385 ('Haffner')

First movement

Excerpt 1 Allegro con spirito

Allegro con spirito

First musical excerpt (Measures 1-4) in D major, 3/4 time. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). The time signature is 3/4. The notation starts with a forte (f) dynamic. It features a half note D4, followed by a quarter note E4, a quarter note F#4, and a quarter note G4. This is followed by a quarter rest, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note C#5. The next measure contains a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F#5, and a quarter note G5. The final measure of the excerpt is a quarter note A5, a quarter note B5, a quarter note C#6, and a quarter note D6. The excerpt ends with a first ending bracket and a piano (p) dynamic.

Excerpt 2 [same tempo]

Second musical excerpt (Measures 40-63) in D major, 3/4 time. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#). The time signature is 3/4. The notation starts with a forte (f) dynamic. It features a half note D4, followed by a quarter note E4, a quarter note F#4, and a quarter note G4. This is followed by a quarter rest, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note C#5. The next measure contains a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F#5, and a quarter note G5. The final measure of the excerpt is a quarter note A5, a quarter note B5, a quarter note C#6, and a quarter note D6. The excerpt ends with a first ending bracket and a piano (p) dynamic.

Fourth movement
Excerpt 3 Presto

This musical score is for a piano piece, Excerpt 3, Presto, measures 134-178. The key signature is D major (two sharps) and the time signature is 12/8. The score is written on a single staff with a treble clef. The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, beams, and dynamic markings. The piece begins with a bracketed measure 134, followed by measures 139, 147, 152, 158, 163, 168, 173, and 178. The dynamics are marked as *p* (piano), *f* (forte), *sf* (sforzando), and *fp* (fortissimo piano). The score features a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. The piece concludes with a final measure marked 178.

Excerpt 1 Allegro, molto con brio

Allegro, molto con brio

The musical score is written for a string quartet, with four staves. The key signature is D major (two sharps) and the time signature is 3/4. The tempo is marked 'Allegro, molto con brio'. The score includes various musical notations such as triplets, sixteenth notes, and dynamic markings like *ff*, *p*, and *pp*. The score is divided into sections marked A and B, and ends with a 'tranquillo' section. The first staff begins with a *ff* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The second staff has a *ff* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The third staff has a *mf* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The fourth staff has a *ff* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The fifth staff has a *ff* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The sixth staff has a *ff* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The seventh staff has a *ff* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The eighth staff has a *ff* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The ninth staff has a *pp* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes. The tenth staff has a *p* dynamic and a triplet of eighth notes.

BRUCKNER Symphony No.4 in E flat

II. Andante

Excerpt 1 Andante quasi allegretto

Viol. [con sord.]
Pizz. arco
lang gezogen

50 1

mf gezogen cresc. dim. mf cresc. gezogen

60

pp cresc. dim. pp gezogen

lang gezogen D lang gezogen

p dim. mf pp mf gezogen lang gezogen

70

pp f dim. pp cresc. lang gezogen

80

dim. pp

6 90 2

lang gezogen P markig

BEETHOVEN Symphony No.5 in C minor, Op.67

Second movement

Excerpt 1 Andante con moto

Andante con moto

p dolce f

8

p f p

Viol. II

p cresc. f p f p

* Please take top line

MENDELSSOHN *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Op.61

Scherzo
Excerpt 1 Allegro vivace

End of orchestral excerpts

Fellowship 2024 – Viola

Orchestral excerpts, Round 2

Solo repertoire – accompanied *(not included in this booklet)*

First movement exposition of any classical concerto (with cadenza)
(Hoffmeister, Stamitz, etc.)

and

A short contrasting work of your own choice *(solo or accompanied)*

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Sight reading may be given as an unprepared excerpt presented during the audition

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First musical staff showing measures 1-4. The key signature is D major (two sharps). The time signature is 3/4. The first measure starts with a forte (f) dynamic. The staff contains various notes, rests, and a trill (tr) in measure 4. The excerpt ends with a first ending bracket and a piano (p) dynamic.

Excerpt 2 [same tempo]

Second musical staff showing measures 40-63. The key signature is D major. The time signature is 3/4. The staff contains various notes, rests, and trills (tr). The excerpt starts with a piano (p) dynamic and ends with a forte (f) dynamic. The final measure is marked with a 4/4 time signature.

Fourth movement
Excerpt 3 Presto

This musical score is for a piano piece, Excerpt 3, Presto, measures 134-178. The key signature is D major (two sharps) and the time signature is 12/8. The score is written on a grand staff with two staves. The first staff begins with a bracketed measure 134. The music features a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. Dynamics include piano (p), forte (f), sfz (sforzando), and fp (fortissimo piano). The piece concludes with a final measure marked with a double bar line and a fermata.

134

139

147 *p*

152 *f*

158

163

168

173

178

sf *sf* *p* *fp*

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lang gezogen D lang gezogen

p dim. mf pp mf gezogen lang gezogen

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dim. pp

6 90 2

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