TCU Symphony Orchestra Information

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Welcome to TCU and the School of Music from the TCU Symphony Orchestra!

If you play a wind instrument or are a percussionist, we would love to have you audition to be a part of the orchestra. We perform two concerts per semester, and rehearsals are from 3:30-5:20 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Strings only meet additionally on Monday from 3:30-5:20 pm.

We are a full symphonic ensemble dedicated to performing professional level concerts from the standard orchestral repertoire. Recently, we have performed Carmina Burana with the TCU Symphonic Choir at the Fort Worth Bass Hall. We have traveled several times to San Juan, Puerto Rico as the official orchestra of the Fiesta Iberoamericana de las Artes. We have won an Argentina Grammy and were invited to perform in Argentina in May 2013. We have also appeared in San Antonio, Texas as the Honor Orchestra at Texas Music Educators Association annual meeting.

As a member of the TCU Symphony Orchestra, you can fulfill the ensemble portion of your degree requirement of 4 hours of ensemble coursework.

Orchestra auditions for 2015/16 academic year will be done online. Please email Mr. Benson Lee at benson.lee@tcu.edu for audition materials. Students should prepare the entire Mahler Symphony No. 1 in D major “Titan”. Each student should record 3 excerpts plus a 3 minute solo of your choice. This recording should be sent to the TCU Symphony Graduate Assistant Conductor, Benson Lee at: benson.lee@tcu.edu no latter than August 17. Excerpts will be announce first week of August on the TCU Symphony webpage: www.music.tcu.edu/orchestra.asp

IMPORTANT: It is your responsibility to prepare your music at or close to correct tempos. Listening to recordings is highly recommended and expected. Your familiarity with the excerpt’s proper range of tempos and manner of execution is an important part of your audition.