

Dear Current Hope Students and Incoming Freshmen,

Whether you are passionate about a cappella, band, choral, jazz, orchestra, or worship music, there's a place for you here.

The Department of Music offers more than 15 ensembles that are open to music majors and non-majors alike. Your passion for music will find a home at Hope College. As a student, you can perform diverse repertoire worldwide and represent the college in area concerts, national tours, and television broadcasts.



Participation in listed ensembles will fulfill your Arts in Practice (ART) credit requirement.

We look forward to making music together!

Spera in Deo!

#### Department of Music

#### **Hope College**

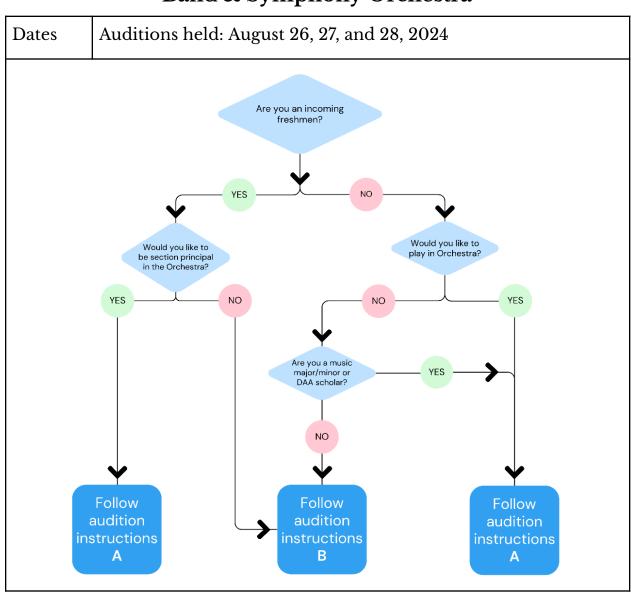
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## Rehearsal Schedule

Chapel Choir (auditioned SATB)	M/W/F	from 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Symphony Orchestra (auditioned)	T/R	from 4:30-6:00 p.m.
SPERA (auditioned Choir - SSAA)	T/R	from 6:00-7:30 p.m.
VERITAS (Auditioned Choir - TTBB)	M/W	from 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Jazz Ensemble (auditioned/assigned)	T/R	from 6:00-7:20 p.m.
College Chorus (no audition - SATB)	T	from 7:30-9:00 p.m.
Concert Band (auditioned/assigned)	R	from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

## **Band & Symphony Orchestra**



Audition Process	Audition Instructions A  Link to Orchestral Excerpts	Audition Instructions B  Audition with two short contrasting excerpts from the standard repertoire of your own choice. Please prepare two photocopies of your selected excerpts. Prioritize quality over quantity.
Sign up	Step 1: Sign up for an audition slot here.  Step 2: Register for:  MUSE 040 (Orchestra & Carnegie Hall Concert Tour prep)  and/or  MUSE 060 (Concert Band)  Please note that, depending on the result of your audition, professors may suggest a different ensemble other than the one you registered for.	
Location	Room 130/140, Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts, 221 Columbia Avenue	
Contact	Prof. Sam Pang ( <a href="mailto:pang@hope.edu">pang@hope.edu</a> ) for Symphony Orchestra; Dr. Anand Sukumaran ( <a href="mailto:sukumaran@hope.edu">sukumaran@hope.edu</a> ) for Concert Band.	

# Choirs

Dates	Auditions held: August 23rd, 26th and 27th, 2024
Location	Room 174, Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts, 221 Columbia Avenue

Repertoire	So glad that you are interested in singing in choirs here at Hope! A placement hearing will determine which of the choirs you will join. The hearing will be about 10 minutes and will consist of the following components:  1. Getting to know you & your voice!  2. A short sight-reading exercise  3. One - two minutes of you singing ANY song that you would like to sing! You may choose ANY genre - sing what you love and what you feel best showcases your voice. Plan on singing a capella or using pre-recorded track/accompaniment. Feel free to bring sheet music if you have it.  4. Prepared Song Excerpt - To the best of your ability, learn this short excerpt from "The Call" by Ralph Vaughan Williams.  Click HERE to see the sheet music. Youtube links for reference:  Tenor/Bass Recording Soprano/Alto Recording
Signup	To register for a hearing please complete the following:  1. Choral Placement Form  2. Choir Hearing Registration
Contact	We have multiple opportunities for you to participate in choir during your time at Hope College.  Chapel Choir (auditioned SATB), Eric Reyes, director SPERA (auditioned SSAA), Pam Pierson, director VERITAS (auditions TTBB), Eric Reyes, director College Chorus (no audition SATB), Eric Reyes, director

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about choir at Hope or contact:
Prof. Eric Reyes <u>reyese@hope.edu</u>
Prof. Pam Pierson <u>pierson@hope.edu</u> .

## Jazz Ensembles/Combos

Date/Time	Auditions held: August 26, 2024 1:30pm-6:30pm
Location	Room 133, Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts, 221 Columbia Avenue
Auditions	Hi Jazz Students,
	If you are interested in participating in Jazz Ensembles and combos for Fall 2024, please enroll in MUSE 070. This is simply a placeholder. After an audition, you will be placed in an ensemble and or combo.  • Don't be nervous about auditions. Just to make it clear, we 'audition' for the jazz area not really to exclude people, but rather for placement into the appropriate skill level of the student. It is simply a way for us to assess where to place you so you can enjoy being a part of our jazz area.  • Please prepare for unexpected obstacles and show up a little early.  • Please find the document link below.  • Select (1) song to perform and you may also be asked to sight read and perform scales/modes. (each piece has various keys/clefs so you can find the version for
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	<ul> <li>Drums, piano, microphones/PA system, amps, and music stands will be provided. If you play an electric guitar, please bring a guitar cable.</li> <li>If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.</li> <li>Please select one of these Jazz standards to perform, and if you are unable to bring a backing track with you. We will provide it for you.</li> <li>Click here to see the sheet music.</li> </ul>
Sign up	Step 1: Reserve an audition timeslot here Step 2: Fill in This form Step 3: Register for 81116   MUSE 070 Pending Placement Jazz
Contact	Prof. Robert Shipley (shipley@hope.edu) for Jazz Ensembles/Combos

### Piano Auditions for Solo Lessons

Auditions will be held in Jack Miller 162 on Monday August 26, 2024. Please sign up for a 10-minute slot <a href="here">here</a>. For the audition, please come prepared to play a piece you know that represents your best playing (ideally memorized), discuss your experience with piano, your semester schedule, and your goals for piano study. After your audition, studio placement will be determined in accordance with your semester schedule and studio availability. Email your semester schedule to Dr. David Keep (<a href="keep@hope.edu">keep@hope.edu</a>) and please write with any additional questions to this address also.

## **Voice Auditions for Solo Lessons**

Applied voice placement auditions for private lessons will take place on Monday, August 26, 2024 (2:00 PM - 6:30 PM) and Tuesday, August 27, 2024 (2:00 PM - 5:00 PM) in JHM #173. For your audition, please prepare a song in either the Classical or Musical Theatre Styles. There will be a pianist provided, and this music doesn't have to be memorized: just make sure to bring an additional copy for the pianist! Please do not bring Contemporary Styles (Pop, Rap, etc.,) or Worship music. There will be one small Aural Test as well (no preparation necessary). If you are interested in auditioning, please sign-up for an audition time: Fall 2024 Voice Placement Audition Sign-Ups. Email Dr. VandenBrink (vandenbrink@hope.edu) with any questions.