



Department of Music

Fall 2026 Concert Ensemble Audition Information

Auditions will take place the week prior to classes August 17-18, 2026 in the Wilbur A. Ball Performing Arts Center. The audition schedule will be sent via email after registering for an audition.

Tips

Engaging in practice with a metronome and tuner is highly recommended. Demonstrating strong rhythmic skills is essential for success in an ensemble audition. Your accuracy, tempo selection, consistency in tempo, and ability to subdivide are crucial elements for effective collaboration with other musicians.

The quality of your tone will be the first impression noted by the panel, which can significantly impact their evaluation. It is important to dedicate sufficient time to developing your fundamental skills and to consistently aim for an exemplary sound during practice sessions.

We take great pride in all our ensembles, and we are confident that you will have a rewarding experience that reflects your level of ability.

- Wind Ensemble M/W/Th 1:00 – 2:55 p.m.
- New Horizons Band Fri 9:45 – 11:30 a.m.
- McLennan Community Orchestra Thu 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Communicate with your MCC Studio Faculty with any questions you may have.

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Piano: Dr. James Pitts, jpitts@mclennan.edu

Director of Bands: Dr. Jon Conrad, jconrad@mclennan.edu

To Have A Successful Audition:

- 1) Prepare the etudes available on the McLennan Bands webpage.
- 2) Register for an audition time through the McLennan Bands webpage.
- 3) Complete the personnel information form on the McLennan Bands webpage.

Good Luck!

Repertoire List

Holst, Gustav. First Suite in Eb, Mvt. 1

- Measure 8 (B-flat on beat 3) – Rehearsal C

Reed, Alfred. *La Fiesta Mexicana*, Mvt. 3. Tempo is 148 bpm.

- Rehearsal 32 to the end.

Chance, John Barnes. *Variations on a Korean Folk Song*. Tempo is 144 bpm.

- Measure 140 – 172

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FIRST SUITE IN E $\flat$

for Military Band

GUSTAV HOLST
Op.28, No.1
revised and edited by
COLIN MATTHEWS

1st Trombone

1. CHACONNE

Allegro moderato

p legato

mf stacc.

cresc. *f* **B Brillante heavy**

cresc. *ff* *pesante* **C** 23

dim. *p*

D 7 *Solo* *p pesante*

E *cresc. poco a poco*

F Maestoso *rit. al fine* *ff*

ff

Reed, La Fiesta Mexicana, Mvt. 3

6

1st Trombone

f
 [29] *dim.* *p* *dim.* *poco a*
 (one Tbn.)
poco pp *morendo* *f* *Tutti*
 [30] *(♩ = ♩)*
 [31] *p* *mf* *p* *mf*
 [32] *p* *mf* *f* *mf*
 [33] *f* *mf* *f* *mf* *cresc.*
ff

Fmp

Chance, Variations on a Korean Folk Song

1st Trombone

140 *f*

166 *f*

191 *mp* *Sostenuto* (♩ = ♩) 10 8

Con Islancio (♩ = 144) 14

223 (+ Picc., Flts.) 9 *ff* *ff* *sostenuto*

241 *p subito* *ff*