



Welcome to Orchestra Omaha!

Thank you for choosing to be part of our growing and thriving musical community! We're excited to have you join us in bringing great music to Omaha and creating meaningful connections through our shared passion.

As we begin another season, we've established some guidelines to help us maintain the high quality and consistency that makes Orchestra Omaha special. We understand that you're here because you love making music with others who share that same passion, and we're grateful for your commitment to our mission of providing affordable access to great music for our community.

Our Commitment to Each Other

Our collective success depends on each of us showing up for one another. When you commit to the full season, you're not just committing to yourself—you're committing to your section, to the orchestra as a whole, and to our audience. Regular attendance helps us grow together, build stronger musical relationships, and deliver performances that truly showcase what we can achieve as a unified group.

Rehearsal Guidelines

1. Rehearsal Schedule

- **Rehearsals begin promptly at 7:00 PM and end at 9:00 PM on Thursday evenings**
- Please arrive 15-20 minutes early to warm up and be seated by 6:55 PM for announcements

2. Focus During Rehearsal

- Let's keep our focus on the music during rehearsal time
- Minimizing side conversations helps everyone hear instructions clearly and keeps us moving forward together

3. Absence Notification

- **Please contact Linda Autenrieth (402-502-7641, violinda@centurylink.net) if you're unable to attend rehearsal**
- We understand that life happens, and we appreciate your communication

4. Advance Notice

- Give as much advance notice as possible for absences

- If you know you'll be gone, please put it in writing (email or paper) or call
- It's much easier to plan when we have written notice
- Unless you're ill, please provide at least one week's notice by emailing Linda.

5. Substitute Arrangements

- If you're the only one playing your part, please arrange for a substitute so the part is covered
- Refer to the Orchestra Omaha roster for suitable substitutes

6. Multiple Absences - Concert Decision

- **If you know you'll miss 3 or more rehearsals for a concert, please opt out of that particular concert, unless you have already talked with Ken/Linda about this and have approval.**

8. End of Rehearsal

- **We need to be out of the building at 9:00 PM**
- Please help by putting your stand away immediately after rehearsal

9. Reference

- Please keep this sheet in your folder for future reference

10. Attendance Monitoring

- If attendance patterns become concerning, the Music Director and Orchestra Omaha Board may need to address the situation directly with the individual

Remember

Your commitment to the full season helps your section improve, strengthens our orchestra's cohesion, and ensures we can deliver the quality performances our community deserves. We're all in this together!

Thank you for being part of Orchestra Omaha and for your dedication to making beautiful music together.

Linda Autenrieth
Personnel Manager