THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL BOCH FESTIVAL
Band and Orchestra Festival at the Strauss Performing Arts Center
Friday, January 26th | Saturday, January 27th
Website | http://music.unomaha.edu/boch

Important Information for All Participating Students and Directors

DIRECTORS: Please make sure student and school names on posted personnel lists are correct. If they are incorrect on this list, please e-mail corrections so they will be correct on name badges and programs.

ATTENDANCE & REGISTRATION FEE: If you have been selected for the festival, it is imperative that you have a parent/guardian confirm your attendance by completing the BOCH Festival participant registration form available on the BOCH Festival website (music.unomaha.edu/BOCH). Confirmation must be received no later than Dec. 18. If we have not received confirmation by that time, an alternate may be selected.

The fee to participate in this year’s BOCH festival is $50 and may be paid online at the BOCH Festival website (music.unomaha.edu/BOCH). Our preferred method of payment is online by credit/debit card and electronic check, but we will accept paper checks as we have in the past. Payment may be made on an individual level (students pay UNO directly) or on the school/district level. Directors needing a printed invoice may contact Dr. Joshua Kearney directly by email at jskearney@unomaha.edu.

If you wish to pay by paper check, checks must be made out to “UNO Music” and sent to Dr. Joshua Kearney at the following address: UNO BOCH Festival, c/o Dr. Joshua Kearney, School of Music, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 6001 Dodge St., Omaha, NE 68182. Please indicate the name of the student on the memo line of the check.

Payment Deadline: Jan. 12, 2024.

LOCATION: The BOCH Festival is held on the campus of UNO at the School of Music (Strauss Performing Arts Center)

BOCH FESTIVAL T-SHIRT: UNO is offering students the opportunity to pre-order BOCH Festival T-Shirts for $18 each. Students/families are encouraged to pre-order shirts by visiting the BOCH Festival website (music.unomaha.edu/BOCH) and paying electronically. However, we will be accepting paper checks. A limited number of shirts will be available for purchase for $20 during festival registration and immediately before/after the final concerts at the Strauss Performing Arts Center.

If you wish to pay for your shirt pre-order with a paper check, please mail the enclosed pre-order form and check made out to “UNO Music” to Dr. Joshua Kearney at the following address: UNO BOCH Festival, c/o Dr. Joshua Kearney, School of Music, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 6001 Dodge St., Omaha, NE 68182. Please indicate the name of the student on the memo line of the check. Pre-orders will be accepted through January 7, 2024.

SCHOOL OF MUSIC ENTRANCE AUDITIONS / SCHOLARSHIP AUDITIONS: It may be possible to schedule a School of Music entrance audition / scholarship audition depending on the applied faculty member’s schedule in your area. Please see the link below for the audition requirements. This option applies only to high school seniors planning to major in music and can be selected as an option when you confirm your attendance. Confirmation of audition times will be emailed to students in mid-January.
MINI-LESSONS: Mini-lessons (20 minutes) may be available for seniors and juniors planning to major in music, based on UNO applied faculty schedules. Note: these are available only to students planning to major in music and are based on availability. Seniors will be prioritized, but spots will be offered to juniors if schedules allow. Please indicate if you would like to be scheduled for one of these when you confirm your attendance. Confirmation of lessons and assigned times will be emailed to students in mid-January.

REFUNDS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER: Unfortunately, we will not be able to offer refunds if the festival is cancelled due to inclement weather.

MUSIC:

- **Bands:** Other than audition excerpts (see below), no band music will be available ahead of time. All parts will be handed out at the first rehearsal on Friday, Jan. 26.

- **Orchestra:** Other than audition excerpts (see below), all orchestra music will be provided at the first rehearsal on Friday, Jan. 26. Any selected pieces that are in the public domain will be available for download to practice on the BOCH website by December 20.

PART AUDITIONS:

- **Band:** All accepted flute students in the Band wishing to audition for piccolo parts may do so at 3:00 PM on Friday, January 26 in room 209. Audition music will be available for download on the BOCH Website by December 22.

- **Wind Ensemble:** The following instruments will audition for principal and/or chair assignments at 3:00 PM on Friday, January 26. Audition music will be available for download on the BOCH website by December 22. All accepted flute students wishing to audition for piccolo parts should plan to audition during this timeslot.
  - Flute (and/or Piccolo), Bassoon, Clarinet, Alto Sax, Horn, Trumpet, and Trombone.

- **Orchestra:** Select students indicated by **asterisks** on the results sheet may audition for concertmaster and/or principal placements at 2:30 PM on Friday, January 26. Audition music will be available for download on the BOCH website by December 22.

MEALS: Dinner on Friday will be provided for all festival participants. A special dinner is planned for all participating directors on Friday evening. UNO will not be providing meals on Sunday before the concert(s).

DRESS: Comfortable school clothing is satisfactory for rehearsals.

All student performers will wear concert black for the Saturday performances.

Concert black is described as the following:

**Option 1:** Black suit, black/white shirt, black shoes, and black socks

**Option 2:** Black dress or pant suit, long-sleeved black/white shirt, black shoes, black socks (if needed)

PARKING AT UNO: On Friday and Saturday, students should either park on campus or be dropped off at the Strauss Performing Arts Center. Please check our website for more details about parking for Friday. On Saturday, parking will be free in all lots, including parking garages. ADA accessible parking can be found in Lot E (just west of Strauss) at the Community Engagement Center. Other parking information, including bus parking, will be made available on the BOCH Festival website (music.unomaha.edu/BOCH) in the weeks leading up to the festival.
INSTRUMENTS/EQUIPMENT: Participants should bring all equipment necessary including instruments, mutes, oils, rosin, water bottle, etc. All instrumentalists must bring a music stand for rehearsals. Stands will be provided for the performance. Equipment may remain in the rehearsal spaces during the festival. UNO is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Please leave valuables at home!

PERCUSSION: We will furnish all large percussion instruments. Percussionists should bring mallets (keyboard and timpani), sticks, and, whenever possible, a triangle or tambourine.

PERFORMANCES: Information regarding concert tickets and other “day-of” performance items will be distributed in the weeks leading up to the BOCH Festival.

Conductor Contact Information

BOCH Wind Ensemble
Dr. Joshua Kearney, jskearney@unomaha.edu
Director of Bands
402.554.3602

BOCH String Orchestra
Dr. Matthew Brooks, mathewbrooks@unomaha.edu
Director of Orchestral Activities in Music & Medicine
402.554.3015

BOCH Band
Prof. Pete Wilger, pwilger@unomaha.edu
Conductor, UNO University Band
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STRAUSS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (SPAC)
MILO BAIL STUDENT CENTER (MBSC)

Friday, January 26, 2024

2:00 PM  BOCH Registration opens in the Strauss Performing Arts Center lobby. Payment station for outstanding registration fees and T-shirt purchases

2:30 PM  String Principal Auditions – Those strings invited to audition for principal seating should report directly to SPAC 223 after registration. All others should report to string orchestra rehearsal at 3:00 PM.

3:00 PM  Band – Rehearsal begins in SPAC 109. Piccolo auditions for interested Band flutes in SPAC 209.

Wind Ensemble – Chair Placement Auditions begin:
- Flute/Piccolo – SPAC 209
- Clarinet – SPAC 248
- Alto Sax – SPAC 227
- Trumpet – SPAC 129
- Horn – SPAC 239
- Trombone – SPAC 226
- Percussion Masterclass – 4th Floor Percussion Studio

String Orchestra – Rehearsal begins in Recital Hall

4:00 PM  Wind Ensemble – Rehearsal begins in SPAC Concert Hall
Tentative UNO Admission & Scholarship Auditions

5:30 PM  Dinner – Students are provided with a free dinner in the MBSC Food Court. Directors will have dinner in MBSC 302 (Dodge Room)

6:30 PM  UNO Faculty Showcase – SPAC Concert Hall

7:30 PM  Ensemble Rehearsals resume
- Band – SPAC 109
- Wind Ensemble – SPAC CH
- String Orchestra – SPAC RH

9:00 PM  Conclusion for the night.
Saturday, January 27, 2024

9:00 AM  
**Band** – Rehearsal in SPAC CH  
**Wind Ensemble** – Rehearsal in SPAC 109  

**String Orchestra** – Sectionals (9:00-9:55)  
- Violin I – SPAC RH  
- Violin II – SPAC 160  
- Viola – SPAC 239  
- Cello – SPAC 105  
- Bass – SPAC 166

10:00 AM  
**String Orchestra** – Rehearsal in SPAC RH until 11:30 AM  
**Band & Wind Ensemble** – Sectional and/or Masterclass  
**Brass and Percussion Sectionals**  
- Band – SPAC CH  
- Wind Ensemble – SPAC 109

**All Woodwind Masterclass:**  
- Flute – SPAC 105  
- Clarinet – SPAC 166  
- Oboe/Bassoon – SPAC 239  
- Saxophone – SPAC 160

10:45 AM  
**Band & Wind Ensemble** – Sectional and/or Masterclass  
**Woodwind and Percussion Sectionals**  
- Band – SPAC CH  
- Wind Ensemble – SPAC 109

**All Brass Masterclass:**  
- Trumpet – SPAC 160  
- Horn – SPAC 239  
- Trombone – SPAC 105  
- Euphonium & Tuba – SPAC 166

11:30 AM  
**Lunch on Your Own**

1:00 PM  
**String Orchestra:** Sound Check in SPAC CH until 1:20 PM  
Move to RH for continued rehearsal (Change into concert dress)

**Wind Ensemble:** Report to CH stage at 1:30 PM in Concert Dress  
Sound Check in SPAC CH from 1:30-1:50 PM  
Move to SPAC 109 for continued rehearsal

**Band:** Rehearsal in SPAC 109 until 1:45 PM  
Change into concert dress  
Sound Check in SPAC CH from 2:00-2:20 PM

Final Concert Schedule:  
2:30 PM – Doors Open for Audience  
3:00 PM – Finale Concert with all Groups
To Scott Campus (0.70 Miles)
14 Min Walk | 5 Min Bike

EVENT PARKING
NO PERMITS REQUIRED

SCOTT CAMPUS PARKING MAP
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Accessible Parking
Scooter Drop-off

MAP KEY

FREE CAMPUS MAP UPDATED 10/23
NO SMOKING AND TOBACCO

Parking Permit Types are assigned to specific surface lots, garage areas, and/or garage levels. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to know which designated areas their permit is valid in.

BUILDING KEY
A Baxter Arena
B Tal Anderson Field
C Connie Claussen Field

PHYSICAL A

MERCY ROAD
W CENTER ROAD
AKSARBEN DRIVE
TO SCOTT CAMPUS (0.70 MILES)
14 MIN WALK | 5 MIN BIKE

TO 72ND STREET
AND DODGE CAMPUS

67TH STREET
S 64TH AVE.

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University of Nebraska at Omaha
Food Delivery Options

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6001 Dodge St.
Omaha, NE 68182

- Panera: (402) 397-8800
- Pickleman’s: (402) 991-6700
- Jason’s Deli: (402) 551-2233
- Lighthouse Pizza: (402) 932-6660
- Jimmy John’s: (402) 255-0040
- Chipotle (via Door Dash or Post Mates): https://order.chipotle.com/ (minimum $10 order)
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SHIRT PRE-ORDER FORM (in lieu of online purchase)

Please print neatly. Deadline for pre-orders is January 7, 2024. The UNO School of Music prefers that all shirt pre-orders are submitted through the BOCH Festival website.

First Name: __________________________ Last Name: __________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________ Apartment/Suite: __________

City: __________________________ State ________ Zip: ________

Please note that t-shirts pre-orders will cost $18 each and will contain each student’s name printed on the reverse. Complete the form below and include a check/money order for the total amount. Please do not mail cash. Make checks payable to UNO Music.

Please mail completed forms and payment to the UNO School of Music using the following address: Dr. Joshua Kearney, UNO School of Music, 6001 Dodge Street, Omaha, NE, 68182.

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