

Principal English Horn/Utility Oboe March 18-19 & 23, 2019

GENERAL AUDITION INFORMATION

Please read all of this information carefully, and retain for your future reference. All questions regarding the audition and this information must be directed to the Orchestra Personnel Office only. We request that you do not contact members of the audition committee. The preferred method of contact is by email to auditions@pittsburghsymphony.org.

To apply for this audition, please **submit the online application** form on the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra's (PSO) website at www.pittsburghsymphony.org/auditions on or before the deadline of Tuesday, January 22. Please await confirmation of your audition before making travel plans. The Preliminary and Semi-Final rounds of auditions are scheduled for March 18-19 at Heinz Hall, 600 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. Note that a Semi-Final round will take place following the Preliminary round each day on March 18-19. The invited Semi-Final and Final rounds will take place Saturday, March 23.

Invitations are sent by email, typically within one week of the resume deadline. Once invitations are sent, a \$100 refundable deposit check will be required to reserve an audition, details to follow.

Note that recorded auditions may be required of candidates, and will be due Monday, February 11. Directions for submitting will be communicated with the request for recording.

POSITION DETAILS

The PSO's Principal English Horn/Utility Oboe position begins September 3, 2019, or per the mutual agreement of the PSO and the winning candidate. Pay is at least minimum orchestra weekly scale of \$1,945.63. This position may negotiate for additional weekly overscale (pay) related to the duties of English Horn/Utility Oboe (playing on all English horn parts, and all section oboe parts except principal as needed).

Musicians hired by the PSO are responsible for having and maintaining authorization to be employed in the United States of America, and to travel on international tours as a musician with the PSO. The PSO will act as sponsor for visa petitions for musicians who are offered or have positions as members of the orchestra, however it is the musician's responsibility to bear all costs associated with the petition and meet all required deadlines.



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I) FIRST OBOE ORCHESTRAL EXCERPTS

RAVEL Le Tombeau de Couperin

Prelude – beginning - [2]; 5 after [8] - [9]

• Forlane – 5 after [11] - [13]

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV Scheherazade

Movement II – [A] - [D]

II) SECOND OBOE ORCHESTRAL EXCERPTS

BARTÓK Concerto for Orchestra

Movement II – m. 25 - 44

BRAHMS Variations on a Theme by Haydn

Chorale St. Antoni – beginning - measure 30 (with repeats)

DVOŘÁK Cello Concerto in B minor

• Movement II - m. 1 - 9

III) ENGLISH HORN ORCHESTRAL EXCERPTS

BERLIOZ Roman Carnival Overture

14 before [1] - 3 after [1]

DEBUSSY La Mer

Movement I – 4 after [13] - [14]

• Movement II - [16] - [17]

DEBUSSY Trois Nocturnes

• Fetes – m. 3 - 8; [2] - 6 after [3]; [14] - [15]

DVOŘÁK Symphony No. 9 in E minor, "From the New World"

Movement II – solo

De FALLA The Three-Cornered Hat

• The Miller's Dance – [1] - [2]

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FRANCK Symphony in D minor

• Movement II - [A] - [F]

MAHLER Symphony No. 1 in D major

• Movement I – beginning - 4 after [1]

RAVEL Piano Concerto in G Major

• Movement II - [6] - [9]

RAVEL Rhapsodie espagnole

• Malagueña – [12] - 3 after [13]

RAVEL Mother Goose Suite

RODRIGO Concierto de Aranjuez

• Movement II – beginning - [3]

ROSSINI William Tell Overture

SHOSTAKOVICH Symphony No. 8 in C minor, Op. 65

• Movement I - m. 301 - 350

Movement II – m. 170 - 188; m. 204 - 214

SIBELIUS The Swan of Tuonela

STRAUSS Fin Heldenleben

• 3 before [14] - 8 after [15]; [98] - [101]

*Rental excerpts will be sent to audition applicants Sight-reading may be asked in any round of the audition. Candidates may be asked to play as part of a section in later rounds. The official pitch of the PSO is A=440