



MUSCATINE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
announces

AUDITIONS FOR CONCERTMASTER

Symphony Description: The mission of the Muscatine Symphony Orchestra is to enrich the cultural life of the Greater Muscatine Community by presenting and maintaining symphonic music of the highest quality and by providing comprehensive music education opportunities to the Muscatine area.

The Symphony is going into its 7th Season under the direction of Music Director & Conductor, Brian Dollinger. Since his appointment to the Symphony, the MSO has increased its concert offerings now having a highly successful subscription series as well as free holiday performances. The Symphony frequently collaborates with many other local performing arts groups. Each season the Symphony brings national and international guest artists to the stage in Muscatine.

The Symphony has a core volunteer, local group of musicians who meet weekly. This core group is then supplemented on concert weekends with paid players filling in where necessary.

Position Description: This is the first year of this position as a compensated position. The concertmaster will attend all regularly scheduled rehearsals and performances. He/she will also provide assistance and support to the Music Director in the bowing and preparation of string parts for the Symphony.

The concertmaster will also be available, when scheduling permits, to assist with auditioning of new members, make an appearance at a PR/fund raising event, and be available for interviews (radio, print) when appropriate.

Audition Requirements: Solo – 1st mvt from any standard, major concerto; Tchaikovsky, Swan Lake solos (*Swan Lake*, *Black Swan Pas de deux* [Andante and Allegro], MSO annual audition repertoire in addition to, Tchaikovsky *Nutcracker* [Overture, E to end], Beethoven *Symphony No. 2* [4th mvt, 1-25]

Compensation: \$5,600 (this fee is inclusive of rehearsal time, and travel)

Contact: Nancy Stoos, Personnel Manager
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Submit: To apply for this position, please send a letter of application, brief resume, and three contacts for recommendation. The information can be mailed to: MSO Attn: Nancy Stoos, PO Box 573, Muscatine, IA 52761 or via email to conductingbassist@hotmail.com (email correspondence preferred)

Application deadline is: **August 21st**

Audition date: **August 29th, 2010**

For Season information and schedule: www.muscatinesymphony.org