



Charlotte Symphony Orchestra
Principal Double Bass
Audition Repertoire
November 8-10, 2026

I. Solos

Solo repertoire will not be provided.

Bach Cello Suites
Any dance movement without repeats. No preludes.

First movement from one of the following concertos (no cadenzas):

Bottesini Double Bass Concerto No. 2 in B minor
Vanhel Double Bass Concerto in E-flat major
Koussevitzky Double Bass Concerto in F-sharp minor, op. 3
Andrés Martín Concerto No. 1 for Double Bass

II. Orchestral Solos

Ginastera Variaciones Concertante
Variation XI

Haydn Symphony No. 31 in D Major, Hob. I/31, "Horn Signal"
Mvt. IV: Variation 7 solo w/ repeats

Mahler Symphony No. 1 in D Major, "Titan"
Mvt. III: m. 3-10

Stravinsky Pulcinella Suite
Mvt. VII: Vivo (complete)

III. Orchestral Excerpts

Bach	Orchestral Suite No. 2 in B Minor, BWV 1067 Mvt. VII: Badinerie, no repeats
Bach	Violin Concerto No. 2 in E Major, BWV 1042 Mvt. II: m. 1-15
Beethoven	Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, op. 67 Mvt. II: m. 114 through downbeat of 123 Mvt. III: m. 1-100; pick-up to m. 141-218 (no repeats)
Beethoven	Symphony No. 9 in D Minor, op. 125, "Choral" Mvt. IV: m. 1-107
Brahms	Symphony No. 2 in D Major, op. 73 Mvt. I: m. 118-156 Mvt. IV: m. 244-279
Mahler	Symphony No. 2 in C Minor, "Resurrection" Mvt. I: m. 1-41
Mendelssohn	Symphony No. 4 in A Major, op. 90, "Italian" Mvt. I: m. 41-90 Mvt. IV: m. 32-52
Mozart	Symphony No. 35 in D Major, K.385, "Haffner" Mvt. IV: m. 134-181
Mozart	Symphony No. 40 in G Minor, K. 550 Mvt. I: pick-up into m. 115-138
Schubert	Symphony No. 9 in C Major, D. 944, "The Great" Mvt. III: [B] through seventh measure of [C]
R. Strauss	Ein Heldenleben [9] through downbeat of sixth measure of [12] [40] through eighth measure of [40] [77] through eighth measure of [77]

Haydn Symphony No. 31 in D Major, Hob. I/31, "Horn Signal"
Mvt. IV: Variation 7 solo w/ repeats

Finale.
Moderato molto.

Var. 7.

The musical score for Variation 7 is presented in three staves. The first staff uses a treble clef and contains the initial melodic line with several triplet markings. The second staff uses a bass clef and continues the melody, also featuring triplets and a repeat sign. The third staff, also in bass clef, shows the final section of the variation, including first and second endings marked with '1.' and '2.' before concluding with a double bar line.

XI. Ripresa dal Tema per Contrabasso

65 Adagio molto espressivo ♩ = 56

Solo
(senza sord.)



♩ = ♩ 66 poco precipitato

rall.



a tempo

cedendo



p dolce

67 rallentando



Mahler

Symphony No. 1 in D Major, "Titan"

Mvt. III: m. 3-10

III. Satz.

Feierlich und gemessen, ohne 'zu schleppen.

1 (Pauken)

pp

p mit Dämpfer

8

The musical score is written on two staves. The top staff is a bass clef with a 4/4 time signature. It begins with a drum part (Pauken) marked with a '1' and a piano part marked with 'pp'. The piano part is marked with 'p mit Dämpfer'. The bottom staff is also a bass clef and begins with a piano part marked with an '8'. The tempo/mood is 'Feierlich und gemessen, ohne 'zu schleppen.'

Stravinsky Pulcinella Suite
Mvt. VII: Vivo (complete)

Vivo

170 *ff*

171 *fff* *sempre simile*

172 *f* *simile*

173 *f* *gliss.*

1. *ff* 2. *ff*

174 *f*

très fort (détaché)

175

176 *dolce*

177 3 4

178 *ff risoluto, energico*

Bach

Orchestral Suite No. 2 in B Minor, BWV 1067

Mvt. VII: Badinerie, no repeats

Badinerie
stacc.

7

18

20

28

34

p

f

p

f

Fine

Bach

Violin Concerto No. 2 in E Major, BWV 1042

Mvt. II: m. 1-15

Adagio

sempre piano

5

9

14

Beethoven Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, op. 67
Mvt. II: m. 114 through downbeat of 123

Andante con moto ♩ = 92

The image displays a musical score for the second movement of Beethoven's Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, Op. 67. The tempo is marked 'Andante con moto' with a quarter note equal to 92 beats per minute. The score is written for the bass clef in 3/8 time, with a key signature of three flats (C minor). It begins at measure 114, indicated by a bracket and the number '114'. A common time signature 'C' is shown in a box at the start of the first staff. The music features a series of eighth-note chords, many of which are beamed together in groups of four or five, creating a dense, rhythmic texture. The first staff ends with a fermata over a half note. The second staff begins at measure 118, marked with '118', and continues the sequence of beamed eighth-note chords. The movement concludes with a final chord marked with a fermata and the dynamic marking 'pp' (pianissimo).

Beethoven Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, op. 67
Mvt. III: m. 1-100

Allegro $\text{♩} = 96$

pp *poco rit.* *a tempo* *pp* *sf*

14 *poco rit.* *a tempo* *Corno* *f*

27 *f* *sf* *sf*

42 *sf* *sf* *dimin. pp* *poco rit.* *u tempo* *pp*

55 *cresc. -*

68 *f*

82 *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf*

96 **A** *dimin. pp*

Beethoven Symphony No. 5 in C Minor, op. 67
Mvt. III: pick-up to m. 141-218 (no repeats)

Allegro $\text{♩} = 96$



Beethoven Symphony No. 9 in D Minor, op. 125, "Choral"
Mvt. IV: m. 1-107

Presto $\text{♩} = 96$

Legni

f

11

Fag.

dim.

p

22

Fag.

f

Allegro ma non troppo $\text{♩} = 88$

30

pp

pp

Tempo I

38

f

ff

ritard.

dim.

poco Adagio

Vello. Vivace
pizz.

45

Tempo I

56

f

dim.

Adagio cantabile

Fag. I

Tempo I Allegro

65

p

cresc.

ff

75

Fag. I

Allegro assai $\text{♩} = 80$

Fag. I

Tempo I Allegro

f

f

84

Fag.

f

Allegro assai $\text{♩} = 80$

92

p

102

cresc.

p

cresc.

Allegro non troppo

E (*quasi ritenente*)

118 *f* *sf ben marc.* *sf marc.*

124 *f*

132 *ff* *poco f espr.*

142 *cresc.*

152 *ff* **F** *pizz.* *p*

Detailed description: This block contains the first five staves of the musical score for measures 118-156. The music is in D major (two sharps) and 3/4 time. The first staff (measures 118-123) begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic and a *quasi ritenente* marking. It features a series of eighth and sixteenth notes with accents. The second staff (measures 124-131) continues with a forte (*f*) dynamic and includes some slurs. The third staff (measures 132-141) starts with a fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic and a *poco f espr.* marking, showing a more rhythmic pattern. The fourth staff (measures 142-151) features a crescendo (*cresc.*) and continues the rhythmic pattern. The fifth staff (measures 152-156) begins with a fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic, followed by a piano (*p*) dynamic and a *pizz.* (pizzicato) marking, ending with a boxed **F** section marker.

Allegro con spirito

in tempo

244

pp

251

L

pp sempre

258

264

f sempre più f f

270

275

sf sf sf sf

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Allegro maestoso. Mit durchaus ernstem und feierlichem Ausdruck.

1 *sf* *wild* *fff* *a tempo* *sf* *ff accel.* *immer wuchtig* *mf* *ff* *f* *p subito* *f* *p* *geth.* *f* *unisono* *mf* *p* *ppp* *sempre pp* *fp* *mf* *sempre cresc.* *ff* *tremol.* *ff* *pp molto cresc.* 1

The musical score is written for a single staff in C minor, 4/4 time. It begins with a bass clef and a key signature of two flats. The tempo is marked 'Allegro maestoso' with the instruction 'Mit durchaus ernstem und feierlichem Ausdruck.' The score is divided into measures 1 through 41. The dynamics range from *ppp* (pianissimo) to *fff* (fortissimo). The score includes various musical notations such as triplets, accents, and slurs. The tempo is marked 'a tempo' at measure 5. The score ends with a double bar line and a first ending bracket.

Mendelssohn Symphony No. 4 in A Major, op. 90, "Italian"
Mvt. I: m. 41-90

Allegro vivace

Bässe

41 *p* *cresc.*

47 *mf* *f* *ff*

56 *sf* *sf*

65

72 *ff* *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf*

81 *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *sf* *sfz* *ff* *sf* *sf*

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SALTARELLO

Presto

32

ff

34

ff

38

42

f

46

51

ff

Presto

This image shows the bassoon part of the fourth movement of Mozart's Symphony No. 35 in D Major, K.385, "Haffner". The tempo is marked "Presto". The score consists of six staves of music, each beginning with a measure number in the upper left corner. The key signature is D major (two sharps) and the time signature is common time (C). The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, slurs, and dynamic markings. The first staff (measures 134-141) begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic and features a series of eighth-note patterns. The second staff (measures 142-150) includes a forte (*f*) dynamic marking. The third staff (measures 151-159) continues the melodic development. The fourth staff (measures 160-167) shows a change in texture with more complex rhythmic patterns. The fifth staff (measures 168-176) includes a fortissimo (*sf*) dynamic marking. The sixth staff (measures 177-181) concludes the excerpt with a final cadence.

134

142

151

160

168

177

Mozart Symphony No. 40 in G Minor, K. 550
Mvt. I: pick-up into m. 115-138

Allegro molto

114 

120

126

131

136

SCHERZO.
Allegro vivace.

This musical score is for the Scherzo of Schubert's Symphony No. 9, measures B through the seventh measure of C. It is written for a piano in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The score consists of four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature change to one flat. It contains a series of eighth-note chords, with dynamics ranging from *ff* to *p*. The second staff continues the harmonic texture with similar eighth-note chords, marked *cresc.* towards the end. The third staff features a more active melodic line with eighth-note runs, marked *f* and *ff*, and includes a section marked *c* (crescendo). The fourth staff concludes the passage with a final eighth-note chord marked *ff*. The score is enclosed in a large bracket on the right side.

Lebhaft bewegt.

This musical score is for the first movement of Richard Strauss's 'Ein Heldenleben'. It covers measures 9 through the downbeat of measure 12. The score is written for a large orchestra, with the following parts visible:

- Measures 9-10:** The first staff (bass clef, 4/4 time) features a triplet of eighth notes on G4, A4, and B4, marked *ff*. The second staff (bass clef, 3/4 time) continues with a triplet of eighth notes on G3, A3, and B3, also marked *ff*.
- Measure 10:** The third staff (bass clef, 3/4 time) features a triplet of eighth notes on G3, A3, and B3, marked *fff*.
- Measure 11:** The third staff features a triplet of eighth notes on G3, A3, and B3, marked *ff*. The fourth staff (bass clef, 3/4 time) features a triplet of eighth notes on G3, A3, and B3, marked *ff*.
- Measure 12:** The fourth staff features a triplet of eighth notes on G3, A3, and B3, marked *ff*. The fifth staff (bass clef, 3/4 time) features a triplet of eighth notes on G3, A3, and B3, marked *ff*.

The score includes various musical notations such as triplets, slurs, and dynamic markings (*ff*, *fff*, *f cresc.*). The time signature changes from 4/4 to 3/4 in measure 10.

R. Strauss Ein Heldenleben
[40] through eighth measure of [40]

Mässig langsam.

40

p *zart hervortretend* *pp* *ppp*

Detailed description: The musical score is written on a single staff in bass clef with a 4/4 time signature. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The measure number '40' is written above the first staff line. The notation includes a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, some grouped in triplets (indicated by a '3' above the notes). A long slur covers the entire measure. Dynamic markings are placed below the staff: '*p* *zart hervortretend*' under the first few notes, '*pp*' under a triplet, and '*ppp*' under the final triplet. The measure concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

R. Strauss Ein Heldenleben
[77] through eighth measure of [77]

Festes Zeitmass.

(sehr lebhaft.)

