

2016-2017 Alice S. Pfaelzer Tuition-free Conservatory

Important Dates | Merit School of Music



Please reference the calendar on Merit's website (www.meritmusic.org) for the most up-to-date information throughout the year.

We reserve the right to modify or change these dates and will notify families if a class or performance is changed or cancelled.

***Please note: these are mandatory events where attendance is required.**

August

Aug. 12 & 13
Aug. 31

Conservatory Orchestra/Band Seating Auditions*
Conservatory Schedules sent to families

September

Sep. 10

Large Ensemble rehearsals begin*
(Junior Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Conservatory Choir, String Orchestra, Merit Philharmonic, Opera/Musical Theater Ensemble, Vocal Jazz Ensemble)

Mandatory Parent Meeting

Sep. 17
Sep. 20, 27
Sep. 24

Large Ensemble rehearsals
Wind Symphony rehearsals, 6:15 – 9:00 PM
All Conservatory classes begin

October

Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25

Regular Conservatory days
Wind Symphony rehearsals, 6:15 – 9:00 PM

November

Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Nov. 5, 12, 19
Nov. 19
Nov. 21 – 27

Wind Symphony rehearsals, 6:15 – 9:00 PM
Regular Conservatory days
Conservatory Concerto Competition application available
Thanksgiving Break (No Conservatory on Nov. 26. Please note: Wind Symphony DOES rehearse on Nov. 22)

December

Dec. 3, 10
Dec. 6, 13, 20
Dec. 14
Dec. 15
Dec. 16
Dec. 17
Dec. 24
Dec. 26 – Jan. 6

Regular Conservatory days
Wind Symphony rehearsals, 6:15 – 9:00 PM
Symphonic Band dress rehearsal, 6:15 – 9:00 PM*
Wind Symphony dress rehearsal, 6:15 – 9:00 PM*
Conservatory Winter Concerts (Band), 7:00 – 9:30 PM*
Conservatory Winter Concerts (Voice, Jazz, Orchestra), 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM*
No Conservatory classes
Winter Break (no classes)

SCHEDULE KEY:

Days Off

Performances

Parent Events

January

Jan. 7 **No Conservatory classes**
Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31 Wind Symphony rehearsals, 6:15 – 9:00 PM
Jan. 14, 21 Regular Conservatory days
Jan. 20 **Conservatory Chamber Ensembles Concert, 7:00 PM***
Jan. 21 **Conservatory Solo Voice Concert, 6:00 PM***
Conservatory Concerto Competition application due
Jan. 28 Regular Conservatory day
Conservatory Piano Concert, 4:00 PM*

February

Feb. 3 Conservatory Concerto Competition
(Application available 11/19/16, Application deadline: 1/21/17)
Feb. 4 Conservatory Solo Voice application available
Feb. 4, 11, 18 Regular Conservatory days
Feb. 7, 14 Wind Symphony rehearsals, 6:15 – 9:00 PM
Feb. 18 Conservatory Private Lesson Competition application available
Feb. 22 **Symphonic Band dress rehearsal, 6:15 – 9:00 PM***
Feb. 23 **Wind Symphony dress rehearsal, 6:15 – 9:00 PM***
Feb. 24 **Performathon Evening Concerts, 7:00 PM***
Feb. 25 **Performathon, 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM***
Feb. 28 Wind Symphony rehearsal, 6:15 – 9:00 PM

March

Mar. 4 **No Conservatory classes**
Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28 Wind Symphony rehearsals, 6:15 – 9:00 PM
Mar. 11, 18, 25 Regular Conservatory days
Mar. 11 Conservatory Solo Voice Competition application due
Mar. 19 Conservatory Solo Voice Competition
(Application available: 2/4/17, Application deadline: 3/11/17)
Conservatory Private Lesson Competition application due

April

Apr. 1, 8 Regular Conservatory days
Apr. 4, 11, 18 Wind Symphony rehearsals, 6:15 – 9:00 PM
Apr. 7 Conservatory Private Lesson Scholarship Competition
(Application available: 2/18/17, Application deadline: 3/19/16)
Apr. 10 – 15 **Spring Break (No classes. Please note: Wind Symphony DOES rehearse on Apr. 11)**
Apr. 21 **Conservatory Chamber Ensembles Concert, 7:00 PM***
Apr. 22 Regular Conservatory day
Conservatory Solo Voice Concert, 6:00 PM*
Apr. 26 **Symphonic Band dress rehearsal, 6:15 – 9:00 PM***
Apr. 27 **Wind Symphony dress rehearsal, 6:15 – 9:00 PM***
Apr. 28 **Conservatory Spring Concerts (Band), 7:00 – 9:30 PM***
Apr. 29 **Conservatory Spring Concerts (Voice, Jazz, Orchestra), 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM***
Conservatory Solo Piano Concert, 4:00 PM*
Apr. 30 **Conservatory Graduation, 1:00 PM***
(Mandatory for Conservatory Seniors, call time: 11:30 AM)

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Days Off

Performances

Parent Events