

# MUSIC PERFORMANCE GRADES

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## CLARINET

Syllabus 2024 & 2026



VIENNA PREMIER  
MUSIC ACADEMY

Academy for **Highly Gifted Musicians**

**THREE PIECES:** At least two chosen by the candidate and a third piece of the candidate's choice.

1. **Robert Schumann** – "The Happy Farmer"
2. **Ludwig van Beethoven** – "Ode to Joy"
3. **Franz Joseph Haydn** – "Minuet and Trio"
4. **Jacques Offenbach** – "Can Can"
5. **Traditional** – "Jingle Bells"
6. **Traditional** – "When the Saints Go Marching In"
7. **Traditional English** – "Scarborough Fair"
8. **Traditional French** – "Frère Jacques"
9. **Traditional** – "Old MacDonald Had a Farm"
10. **Traditional** – "Hot Cross Buns"
11. **Traditional Mexican** – "La Cucaracha"
12. **Traditional French** – "Au Clair de la Lune"
13. **Traditional Shaker** – "Simple Gifts"
14. **Stephen Foster** – "Camptown Races"
15. **Traditional** – "Kumbaya"
16. **Traditional** – "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star"
17. **Harry Dacre** – "Daisy Bell"
18. **Glenn Miller** – "In the Mood"
19. **Traditional** – "London Bridge is Falling Down"
20. **Franz Lehár** – "The Merry Widow Waltz"
21. **James Lord Pierpont** – "Jingle Bells"
22. **Ludwig van Beethoven** – "Allegretto"
23. **Traditional Korean** – "Arirang"
24. **Traditional Japanese** – "Sakura"
25. **Anonym** – "A Little Waltz"
26. **Traditional Scottish** – "Morning Has Broken"
27. **Traditional** – "This Old Man"
28. **Daniel Butterfield** – "Taps"
29. **Traditional** – "The Bear Went Over the Mountain"
30. **Robert Schumann** – "The Happy Farmer" (arranged version)

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1. **Johann Sebastian Bach** – "Minuet in G"
2. **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** – "Eine kleine Nachtmusik, K. 525: Allegro"
3. **Ludwig van Beethoven** – "Theme from Symphony No. 5"
4. **Johannes Brahms** – "Hungarian Dance No. 5"
5. **Scott Joplin** – "The Entertainer"
6. **Traditional** – "Greensleeves"
7. **Franz Schubert** – "Ave Maria"
8. **Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach** – "Solfeggietto"
9. **George Frideric Handel** – "Water Music: Alla Hornpipe"
10. **Antonín Dvořák** – "Slavonic Dance Op. 46, No. 8"
11. **Felix Mendelssohn** – "Wedding March"
12. **Traditional Irish** – "Danny Boy"
13. **Giacomo Puccini** – "O mio babbino caro"
14. **Peter Tchaikovsky** – "Nutcracker Suite: Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy"
15. **Sergei Prokofiev** – "Troika" from *Lieutenant Kijé Suite*
16. **Édouard Lalo** – "Spanish Symphony: Allegro"
17. **Ludwig van Beethoven** – "Ode to Joy" (arranged version)
18. **Igor Stravinsky** – "The Firebird: Finale"
19. **Traditional Japanese** – "Sakura Sakura"
20. **Louis Armstrong** – "What a Wonderful World"
21. **Traditional Russian** – "Kalinka"
22. **Edvard Grieg** – "Morning Mood" from *Peer Gynt*
23. **Henry Mancini** – "Moon River"
24. **Carl Orff** – "O Fortuna" from *Carmina Burana*
25. **Richard Wagner** – "Bridal Chorus" from *Lohengrin*
26. **Aaron Copland** – "Simple Gifts"
27. **Stephen Foster** – "Oh! Susanna"
28. **Traditional** – "The Bluebells of Scotland"
29. **Dmitri Shostakovich** – "Waltz No. 2"
30. **John Philip Sousa** – "Stars and Stripes Forever"

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1. **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** – "Clarinet Concerto in A, K. 622: 2nd Movement"
2. **Carl Maria von Weber** – "Clarinet Concerto No. 1 in F minor, Op. 73: 1st Movement"
3. **Ludwig van Beethoven** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in E-flat major, Op. 17"
4. **Camille Saint-Saëns** – "Carnival of the Animals: The Swan"
5. **Felix Mendelssohn** – "Concerto for Clarinet, Bass Horn, and Strings in D minor, Op. 114: 1st Movement"
6. **Gabriel Fauré** – "Sicilienne, Op. 78"
7. **Sergei Prokofiev** – "Sonata for Flute and Piano in D, Op. 94: 1st Movement"
8. **Paul Hindemith** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano"
9. **Igor Stravinsky** – "Three Pieces for Clarinet Solo"
10. **Jules Mouquet** – "La Flûte de Pan: No. 1 – Introduction et Allegro"
11. **Dmitri Shostakovich** – "Concertino for Piano and Winds: 1st Movement"
12. **Eugène Bozza** – "Image for Clarinet and Piano"
13. **Heitor Villa-Lobos** – "Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5: Aria"
14. **Erik Satie** – "Gymnopédies No. 1"
15. **Richard Strauss** – "Duet Concertino for Clarinet and Bassoon, Op. Posth."
16. **Zhou Long** – "Song of the Ch'in"
17. **Claude Debussy** – "Rêverie"
18. **Béla Bartók** – "Sonatina for Piano and Clarinet: 1st Movement"
19. **Alberto Ginastera** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 149"
20. **Henry Mancini** – "Peter Gunn Theme"
21. **Aaron Copland** – "Clarinet Concerto: 1st Movement"
22. **Antonio Vivaldi** – "Concerto for Two Violins in A minor, RV 522: 1st Movement"
23. **John Williams** – "Hedwig's Theme" from *Harry Potter*
24. **Darius Milhaud** – "Suite Française: 1st Movement"
25. **Samuel Barber** – "Adagio for Strings" (arranged for clarinet)
26. **Mikhail Glinka** – "Overture to Ruslan and Lyudmila"
27. **Ralph Vaughan Williams** – "Six Studies in English Folk Song: No. 1"
28. **Tōru Takemitsu** – "And Then I Knew 'Twas Wind"
29. **Scott Joplin** – "Maple Leaf Rag" (arranged for clarinet)
30. **Carl Nielsen** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra: 1st Movement"

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1. **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** – "Clarinet Quintet in A, K. 581: 2nd Movement"
2. **Carl Maria von Weber** – "Clarinet Concerto No. 2 in E-flat major, Op. 74: 1st Movement"
3. **Johannes Brahms** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in E-flat major, Op. 120 No. 2: 1st Movement"
4. **Igor Stravinsky** – "Concerto in E-flat, 'Dumbarton Oaks': 1st Movement"
5. **Paul Hindemith** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
6. **César Franck** – "Sonata for Violin and Piano (arranged for Clarinet and Piano)"
7. **Dmitri Shostakovich** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 40: 1st Movement"
8. **Bernhard Crusell** – "Clarinet Concerto No. 1 in E-flat major, Op. 1"
9. **Eugène Bozza** – "Sonatine for Clarinet and Piano"
10. **Aaron Copland** – "Clarinet Concerto: 2nd Movement"
11. **Jules Mouquet** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 39"
12. **Heitor Villa-Lobos** – "Fantasia for Clarinet and Orchestra"
13. **Henryk Wieniawski** – "Concerto for Violin No. 2 in D minor, Op. 22 (arranged for clarinet)"
14. **Claude Debussy** – "Première Rhapsodie"
15. **Samuel Adler** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
16. **Alberto Ginastera** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 149"
17. **Tōru Takemitsu** – "Clarinet Concerto"
18. **Jacques Ibert** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
19. **Sergei Prokofiev** – "Sonata for Flute and Piano in D, Op. 94 (arranged for clarinet)"
20. **Marcel Mule** – "Sonatine for Clarinet and Piano"
21. **Carl Nielsen** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
22. **Paul Taffanel** – "Suite for Flute, Viola and Piano (arranged for clarinet)"
23. **Bernhard Crusell** – "Clarinet Concerto No. 2 in E-flat major, Op. 5"
24. **Richard Strauss** – "Duet Concertino for Clarinet and Bassoon, Op. Posth."
25. **Erik Satie** – "Gnossiennes (arranged for clarinet)"
26. **Carl Reinecke** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 283"
27. **Antonín Dvořák** – "Serenade for Winds, Op. 44: 1st Movement"
28. **Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov** – "Caprice Espagnol (arranged for clarinet)"
29. **Astor Piazzolla** – "Oblivion" (arranged for clarinet)
30. **Tansy Davies** – "Aubade for Clarinet and Piano"

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2. **Carl Maria von Weber** – "Clarinet Concerto No. 1 in F minor, Op. 73"
3. **Jules Mouquet** – "La Flûte de Pan, Op. 15"
4. **Bernhard Crusell** – "Clarinet Concerto No. 2 in E-flat major, Op. 5"
5. **Ludwig van Beethoven** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in E-flat major, Op. 17"
6. **Johannes Brahms** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in E-flat major, Op. 120 No. 1"
7. **Dmitri Shostakovich** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 40: 2nd Movement"
8. **Paul Hindemith** – "Acht Stücke, Op. 43"
9. **Igor Stravinsky** – "Three Pieces for Solo Clarinet"
10. **Sergei Prokofiev** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in B-flat major, Op. 128"
11. **Claude Debussy** – "Première Rhapsodie"
12. **Aaron Copland** – "Clarinet Concerto: 1st Movement"
13. **Francis Poulenc** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Bassoon"
14. **Heitor Villa-Lobos** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
15. **Carl Nielsen** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 33"
16. **Richard Strauss** – "Concerto for Oboe and Orchestra (arranged for clarinet)"
17. **Eugène Bozza** – "Image for Clarinet and Piano"
18. **Tōru Takemitsu** – "The Wind and the Willow for Clarinet and String Orchestra"
19. **Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra in C minor"
20. **Mikhail Glinka** – "Overture to Ruslan and Lyudmila (arranged for clarinet)"
21. **Dmitri Kabalevsky** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 69"
22. **Marcel Mule** – "Sonatine for Clarinet and Piano"
23. **Alberto Ginastera** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 149"
24. **Carl Reinecke** – "Clarinet Concerto in B-flat major, Op. 283"
25. **Eric Whitacre** – "Lux Aurumque (arranged for clarinet)"
26. **Jörg Widmann** – "Con brio for Clarinet and Orchestra"
27. **Astor Piazzolla** – "Concerto for Bandoneon and Orchestra (arranged for clarinet)"
28. **Samuel Adler** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
29. **Giacomo Puccini** – "Chi il bel sogno di Doretta (arranged for clarinet)"
30. **Tansy Davies** – "Innocence for Clarinet and Piano"

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2. **Dmitri Shostakovich** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 40"
3. **Paul Hindemith** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano"
4. **Bernhard Crusell** – "Clarinet Concerto No. 1 in B-flat major, Op. 3"
5. **Francis Poulenc** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano"
6. **Aaron Copland** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
7. **Ludwig van Beethoven** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in E-flat major, Op. 17"
8. **Heitor Villa-Lobos** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
9. **Igor Stravinsky** – "Symphony in Three Movements (arranged for clarinet)"
10. **Darius Milhaud** – "Suite for Clarinet, Violin, and Piano, Op. 157b"
11. **Jacques Ibert** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
12. **Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
13. **Henri Dutilleux** – "Sonatine for Clarinet and Piano"
14. **Eugène Bozza** – "Image for Clarinet and Piano"
15. **Giacomo Puccini** – "Crisantemi (arranged for clarinet and piano)"
16. **Cecil Forsyth** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 8"
17. **Tōru Takemitsu** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
18. **Sergei Prokofiev** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in B-flat major, Op. 128"
19. **Samuel Adler** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
20. **Astor Piazzolla** – "Concerto for Bandoneon and Orchestra (arranged for clarinet)"
21. **Eugène Satie** – "Gymnopédies (arranged for clarinet and piano)"
22. **Richard Strauss** – "Duet Concertino for Clarinet and Bassoon"
23. **Carl Reinecke** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in B-flat major, Op. 264"
24. **Dmitri Kabalevsky** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 69"
25. **Aldo Finzi** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
26. **Jörg Widmann** – "Con brio for Clarinet and Orchestra"
27. **Tansy Davies** – "Innocence for Clarinet and Piano"
28. **Michael Daugherty** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
29. **John Adams** – "The Wound-Dresser (arranged for clarinet)"
30. **Harrison Birtwistle** – "Carmen Arcadiae (arranged for clarinet)"

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1. **Jules Mouquet** – "La Flûte de Pan, Op. 15"
2. **Arturo Márquez** – "Danzón No. 2 (arranged for clarinet)"
3. **Kurt Weill** – "Concerto for Clarinet"
4. **Bernard Herrmann** – "Sonatina for Clarinet and Piano"
5. **Carl Nielsen** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 57"
6. **Aaron Copland** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra (revised version)"
7. **André Jolivet** – "Cinq Incantations"
8. **Paul Hindemith** – "Clarinet Sonata"
9. **Robert Muczynski** – "Time Pieces for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 43"
10. **Eugène Bozza** – "Sonatine for Clarinet and Piano"
11. **Nikolai Kapustin** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 128"
12. **Francis Poulenc** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano"
13. **Oswaldo Golijov** – "Dreams and Prayers of Isaac the Blind"
14. **Michael Daugherty** – "Dead Elvis"
15. **Henryk Górecki** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
16. **Tōru Takemitsu** – "Dream/Window for Clarinet and Orchestra"
17. **Sofia Gubaidulina** – "Silenzio for Clarinet and Piano"
18. **Eugène Scribe** – "Tarantelle for Clarinet and Piano"
19. **Charles-Marie Widor** – "Suite for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 34"
20. **Astor Piazzolla** – "Oblivion (arranged for clarinet and piano)"
21. **Sergei Rachmaninoff** – "Vocalise (arranged for clarinet and piano)"
22. **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** – "Clarinet Quintet in A major, K. 581"
23. **Jacques Ibert** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
24. **György Ligeti** – "Sonata for Solo Clarinet"
25. **Béla Bartók** – "Contrasts for Clarinet, Violin, and Piano"
26. **Philippe Gaubert** – "Nocturne et Allegro Scherzando"
27. **Darius Milhaud** – "Suite for Clarinet, Violin, and Piano"
28. **Aldo Finzi** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
29. **Sergio Assad** – "Concerto for Clarinet and String Orchestra"
30. **César Franck** – "Sonata in A major for Clarinet and Piano"

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1. **Cecil Forsyth** – "Concerto for Clarinet"
2. **Igor Stravinsky** – "Three Pieces for Solo Clarinet"
3. **Carl Nielsen** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 57"
4. **Béla Bartók** – "Sonata for Two Pianos and Percussion (arranged for clarinet)"
5. **Jean Françaix** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
6. **Paul Hindemith** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
7. **Francis Poulenc** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano"
8. **Bernard Herrmann** – "Concerto for Clarinet"
9. **Robert Muczynski** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 14"
10. **Eugène Bozza** – "Image for Clarinet and Piano"
11. **Nikolai Kapustin** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 128"
12. **Darius Milhaud** – "Suite for Clarinet, Violin, and Piano"
13. **Tōru Takemitsu** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
14. **Eugène Scribe** – "Tarantelle for Clarinet and Piano"
15. **Henryk Górecki** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
16. **Astor Piazzolla** – "Concerto for Bandoneon and Orchestra (arranged for clarinet)"
17. **Kurt Weill** – "Concerto for Clarinet"
18. **Sofia Gubaidulina** – "Silenzio for Clarinet and Piano"
19. **Jacques Ibert** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra"
20. **Michael Daugherty** – "Dead Elvis for Clarinet and Piano"
21. **Alfred Reed** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Wind Ensemble"
22. **Heitor Villa-Lobos** – "Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5 (arranged for clarinet)"
23. **Giuseppe Verdi** – "La Traviata (arranged for clarinet and piano)"
24. **George Gershwin** – "Rhapsody in Blue (arranged for clarinet)"
25. **Sergei Prokofiev** – "Sonata for Flute and Piano, Op. 14 (arranged for clarinet)"
26. **Gabriel Fauré** – "Fantaisie for Clarinet and Piano, Op. 100"
27. **Alberto Ginastera** – "Concerto for Clarinet and Orchestra, Op. 35"
28. **Hugo Alvar Henrik Aalto** – "Sonata for Clarinet and Piano"
29. **Arthur Honegger** – "Concerto for Clarinet"