# RECITAL GUIDE
FOR JUNIOR & SENIOR RECITALS, GRADUATE LECTURE/RECITALS, AND GRADUATE LECTURE/DEMONSTRATIONS

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RECITAL POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Presenting a recital involves careful planning and coordination of many different factors. It is essential that all students and applied faculty follow the policies and procedures outlined in this Guide. Please see the document entitled “SPECIAL COVID-19 POLICIES & PROCEDURES” for current information about specific recital protocols that have been put in place because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

RECITAL PACKAGES

VCM recital packages are designed to assist students in the successful completion of a degree-required recital. A recital package includes: a VanderCook artist-faculty accompanist at a reasonable rate for a set number of rehearsal times; an audio-visual recording of the recital; and 50 official VanderCook recital programs. Recital package fees will be added to the recitalist’s tuition bill. A current list of these fees can be found at Tuition & Cost of Attendance - VanderCook College of Music

Junior Recital
1. VanderCook Accompanist
   • 1 read-through
   • 2 one-hour rehearsals (at least one of which should include the instructor)
   • 1 dress rehearsal (which must include the instructor)
   • 1 performance (which must be attended by the instructor)
2. Recording – audio-visual copy for the recitalist
3. Program – layout, design and 50 copies for distribution

Senior Recital
1. VanderCook Accompanist
   • 1 read-through
   • 3 one-hour rehearsals (at least one of which should include the instructor)
   • 1 dress rehearsal (which must include the instructor)
   • 1 performance (which must be attended by the instructor)
2. Recording – audio-visual copy for the recitalist
3. Program – layout, design and 50 copies for distribution

Graduate Lecture/Recital and Lecture/Demonstration*
1. VanderCook Accompanist
   • 1 read-through
   • 3 one-hour rehearsals (at least one of which should include the instructor)
   • 1 dress rehearsal (which must include the instructor)
   • 1 performance (which must be attended by the instructor)
2. Recording – audio-visual copy for the recitalist
3. Program – layout, design and 50 copies for distribution

*Note that due to the nature of a Lecture/Demonstration, the accompanist portion of the package is not typically needed.
Payments

The accompanist will be paid at the end of the semester after all required information has been submitted to the director of applied studies and the Business Office. If the accompanist performs less than half of the recital, the accompanist will offer half of the stated rehearsal time for each package and receive half of the accompanist’s portion of the recital fee; the student will receive a refund of the remaining half of the accompanist’s portion of the recital fee. Students performing recitals that do not require an accompanist (e.g., guitar, piano) or who use an approved outside accompanist will receive a refund of the accompanist’s portion of the recital fee.

If a student fails to perform the recital during the semester assigned, the recital fee may be forfeited.

SCHEDULING

a. Undergraduate recitals are scheduled during the fall and spring semesters only. An approved list of possible dates and times will be presented to recitalists at the beginning of each semester for use in completion of the Recital Request Form. Recitals must occur on approved dates in order to be considered for credit and must be completed prior to the start of the student teaching semester.

b. Graduate Lecture/Recitals and Lecture/Demonstrations are normally scheduled on selected dates during the first four weeks of the six-week summer session. Students may request a particular date using the Graduate Recital Request Form.

c. All dress rehearsals are scheduled with the front office manager and the director of applied studies using the Recital Repertoire Approval/Dress Rehearsal Form.

LOCATION

Recitals are normally held in George A. Quinlan, Sr. Recital Hall (Room Q120) of the 3125 building. The use of other locations must be indicated on the Recital Request Form and approved by both the director of applied studies and the student’s applied teacher or master’s project advisor.

RECITAL REQUEST FORM

a. The Recital Request Form can be found on pages 14-15 of this document or can be obtained from the director of applied studies. Because a recitalist’s applied instructor/advisor is required to attend the recital, it is important to choose a date that is possible for the teacher, as well as all other participants.

b. Since Recital Request Forms will be processed on a first come, first served basis, it is to the recitalist’s advantage to complete the request as soon as possible after the List of Possible Recital Dates is released. However, the Recital Request Form must be fully completed and submitted to the director of applied studies no later than Friday, September 16, 2022. If this deadline is not met, the recitalist’s grade will be lowered. The recitalist may also be assigned a date or be denied permission to perform the recital during the semester.
c. Graduate students must complete a pre-recital audition the summer before they intend to present a Lecture/Recital and must study their major instrument at VanderCook for two summer residency semesters. The student’s applied teacher and project advisor must attend the Lecture/Recital or Lecture/Demonstration. Please refer to the guidelines governing the scholarly paper that must accompany the Lecture/Recital and Lecture/Demonstration.

RECITAL REPETTOIRE APPROVAL/DRESS REHEARSAL FORM

a. The Recital Repertoire Approval/Dress Rehearsal Form can be found on pages 16-17 of this document or can be obtained from the director of applied studies. This form outlines the recitalist’s proposed repertoire, lists the approved dress rehearsal time, and provides a forum for the student’s teacher(s) to certify that the student is on track to successfully perform the recital and that the length of the student’s program falls within the appropriate time frame.

b. The allowed recital repertoire time frames are:
   - **Junior Recitals** – 15 to 20 minutes of music (of which a maximum of 5 minutes may be in a secondary area); Performer’s Certificate: 30 to 45 minutes of music
   - **Senior Recitals** – 30 to 45 minutes of music (of which a maximum of 10 minutes may be in a secondary area); Performer’s Certificate: 50 to 65 minutes of music
   - **Graduate Recitals** – a minimum of 55 minutes of music, but not to exceed 90 minutes including lecture

c. The Undergraduate Recital Repertoire Approval/Dress Rehearsal Form must be fully completed and submitted to the director of applied studies no later than Friday, September 30, 2021 or 21 days before the recital whichever comes first. If this deadline is not met, the recitalist’s grade will be lowered.

d. By signing the Recital Repertoire Approval Form, the teacher(s) has/have indicated that the student is on track regarding the amount and quality of material. If the applied teacher has concerns as to the student’s ability to perform a passing recital, the approval sheet should not be signed. The student can appeal this decision to the appropriate dean. If this decision is not appealed or is not overturned, the student risks receiving an F for the course, and would need to re-enroll in applied lessons/recital credit during the next semester.

SECONDARY AREA PERFORMANCES (UNDERGRADUATES ONLY)

a. Students wishing to perform on a secondary instrument or voice must have written permission from the VanderCook applied faculty member in that area on the Recital Request Form. It is the secondary applied teacher’s responsibility to ensure that the student has the proposed selection(s) prepared to an acceptable level. The secondary applied teacher is encouraged to attend the dress rehearsal and the recital.

b. The major applied teacher and the director of applied studies have final approval for all selections on the recital program. They may request to hear the selections in the secondary area before granting final approval of the entire program.
c. Students wishing to perform on a secondary instrument or voice must have studied that area while at VanderCook. Students are strongly encouraged to study in the secondary area during the semester of their recital. If, for any reason, this is not the case, the student must obtain approval from the director of applied studies in addition to the applied teacher in that secondary area.

d. The secondary instrument portion of a recital should be no more than 5 minutes for Junior Recitals or 10 minutes for Senior Recitals.

e. Failure to follow these policies may warrant a failing grade for the entire recital. Specific questions should be addressed to the director of applied studies.

ACCOMPANISTS

a. All accompanists must be approved by the director of applied studies and the applied teacher.

b. Students are strongly encouraged to collaborate with a member of VanderCook’s piano faculty in order to assure that all rehearsals outlined in the various recital packages are offered by highly qualified, artist-level pianists.

c. If, however, a student wishes to use an outside accompanist, the student must submit a written request to the director of applied studies outlining the reason for the request and the credentials of the proposed accompanist. The student will then be informed regarding the result of the request within one week. The recitalist and the accompanist should be prepared to rehearse with and/or perform for the applied teacher. Failure to do so may result in not being allowed to perform the recital. Substandard accompaniment will reflect on the student’s overall grade. VanderCook cannot guarantee that all rehearsals in the recital package are met when using an accompanist from outside the VanderCook piano faculty.

PROGRAMS

a. The recitalist (in consultation with their applied instructor) is responsible for submitting complete program information to the director of applied studies no later than 21 days prior to the recital date. If this deadline is not met, the recitalist’s grade will be lowered. All program information must be submitted using the VanderCook Program Template (available from the director of applied studies) and must conform to the VanderCook Recital Program Style Sheet located on page 21 of this Guide.

b. A proof copy of the program will be forwarded to the applied teacher and the recitalist. It is the responsibility of each of these parties to carefully review the proof, legibly correct any mistakes, and return the proof to the director of applied studies in a timely manner.

c. Fifty programs will be printed for each recital. Student may request additional programs at their own expense (25¢ per copy).

d. Vocalists must provide side-by-side translations of all songs not performed in English. These must be submitted to the director of applied studies no later than 21 days prior to the recital date. It is the recitalist’s responsibility to type, copy, and distribute these translations along
with the recital program. It is recommended that program notes be the same size as the program, but they may not exceed letter size. Each translation should be titled and the original author or librettist indicated under the foreign language text. The name of the person who translated the text into English should be listed under the translation (see the VanderCook Recital Program Style Sheet for further information). All translations must be approved by the vocalist’s teacher and the director of applied studies.

e. Each recitalist is encouraged to write program notes that will provide the audience with information to heighten their experience of the performance. It is the recitalist’s responsibility to write, copy, and distribute these notes along with the program. It is recommended that program notes be the same size as the program, but they may not exceed letter size. Program notes should be succinct and focus on a limited number of points related to the pieces (see the VanderCook Recital Program Style Sheet for further information). All program notes must be approved by the recitalist’s teacher and the director of applied studies.

f. It is common to place programs on a music stand located by the door of the recital hall so audience members may pick one up as they enter.

g. All programs for recitals not associated with a VanderCook recital package will be the responsibility of the student.

h. Programs for all non-degree recitals (PMA, SAI, students performing without applied faculty help/consent) will be the responsibility of the students involved.

i. A copy of each recitalist’s program will be submitted by the director of applied studies to the appropriate dean for inclusion in the recitalist’s personal file. It is recommended that recitalists retain several copies for their records and professional teaching portfolio.

RECITAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT

a. It is the recitalist’s responsibility to enlist a minimum of two people to serve as support personnel: a set-up person and a door person.

b. The set-up person will oversee the recital hall and stage set-up. It is recommended that assistants also be recruited to help the set-up person.

c. The door person is responsible for checking out recital keys from the front office of the 3140 S. Federal Street building, placing signs, and opening the large overhead door.

d. The names of the set-up person and door person are to be provided to the director of applied studies at least 14 days prior to the recital. If this deadline is not met, the recital grade will be lowered.

d. It is the recitalist’s responsibility to check with the accompanist regarding the need for a page-turner and secure one if necessary. The page-turner should be part of the dress rehearsal as well as the performance.

f. A recital manager who is hired by the college will produce an audio-visual recording of the recital. This recording will be made available to the recitalist.

f. Any special audio-visual requests or additional equipment needs should be noted on the Recital Repertoire Approval/Dress Rehearsal Form or submitted in writing to the director of
operations and the director of applied studies at least 14 days prior to the dress rehearsal and/or performance.

**ORIGINAL MUSIC**

Original music must be in the possession of the recitalist at the time of the performance. Any exceptions must be approved by both the director of applied studies and the applied teacher. Failure to have original music may result in a failing grade for the recital.

**PROTOCOL**

a. Any unprofessional behavior or questionable actions will be taken under review by the appropriate dean, director of applied studies, and applied teacher and may result in disciplinary action. This action may include assigning a failing grade for the recital and/or suspension from the college.

b. Unprofessional behaviors may include, but are not limited to:
   - Failure to properly prepare the recital hall
   - Inappropriate attire or behavior during a performance (see Recital Etiquette below)
   - Indecorous or slipshod recital remarks and those that deviate from the recitalist’s approved draft

**CANCELLATION**

In the event of a family emergency or serious illness, the recitalist may request to postpone the recital. It is the recitalist’s responsibility to notify the director of applied studies, the teacher, accompanist, and other performers as soon as the issue occurs. If a student cancels a recital due to lack of preparation, the student will receive a failing grade.

**GRADES**

a. Recital grades are calculated as a part of the regular semester applied music grade (see the Student Handbook for more information). The overall grade for the recital is the responsibility of the applied teacher who must attend the recital. If the student wishes to appeal the teacher’s grade, a committee will be formed by the director of applied studies and dean to review the recital recording. The student will be notified, in writing, of the result of the appeal within one week of the committee’s decision.

b. Faculty members attending the recital will offer comments on the Performance Assessment Form. The director of applied studies will submit these original forms to the appropriate dean for the student’s personal file; copies of the forms will be given to the student’s applied teacher who will discuss them with the student.

c. It is recommended that the recitalist listen to the recording of the recital and complete a self-assessment using the Performance Assessment Form. The recitalist should continue to attend applied lessons after the recital has been completed.
d. Grades for Graduate Lecture/Recitals or Lecture/Demonstrations will be posted on the Master’s Project Form completed by the student’s advisor. Lecture/Recital and Lecture/Demonstration grades take into account both the performance and the student’s written paper.

RECEPTIONS

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, receptions are not permitted.

UNFULFILLED COMMITMENTS

Unfulfilled commitments, including return of music to the library and/or applied teacher, will cause the recalist’s grade to be withheld. Approval of the appropriate dean, director of applied studies, and applied teacher(s) will be required to reinstate the recital grade.

RECITAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The following paragraph should be read/recited by the recital set-up person at the beginning of each program:

“Good evening/afternoon. Welcome to VanderCook College of Music. As a courtesy to all here, especially the performers, please silence all electronic devices, and refrain from using flash photography. If you have a child who finds it difficult to remain quiet, we ask that you sit near an exit. On behalf of the college and today’s recitalist(s) _____________________________, I thank you for attending and hope you enjoy the performance.”

RECITAL ETIQUETTE

1. Recitalists should prepare a poster to advertise their recital. Posters should be in good taste and look professional. All posters must be approved by the director of applied studies before they are posted. The recitalist is responsible for hanging posters and for removing posters in a timely fashion following the program.

2. The recitalist should dress appropriately. A recital is an important event and the clothing worn should be a reflection of this. The recitalist’s attire should enhance the audience’s experience of the music, rather than detract from it. Clothes that are ill fitting, wrinkled, or overly revealing, demonstrate a lack of respect for the music and the audience. It may be helpful to perform the dress rehearsal in full concert attire to assure that you have the flexibility and comfort needed. All performance details, including hairstyle, shoes, and jewelry, should be carefully planned.

3. The recitalist should maintain a formal recital attitude at all times when in the public eye, even when not actually performing. The audience never needs to know what you thought of your performance; save those thoughts and comments for when you are away from the event. Body language speaks as loudly as words; recitalists are advised to be aware of their facial expression, movements, and posture at all times.
4. It is customary for recitalists to stay in the green room warming up and preparing mentally before the recital. Recitalists are advised against setting up the reception or greeting audience members in the recital hall prior to the program.

5. The recital must start and end on time. It is not only professional to do so, but it is a courtesy to the audience members who have taken the time to support you. Recitals may occur back-to-back and so require everyone to keep within the allotted time.

6. Bow when you first arrive on stage if the audience is still clapping. At the end of a piece, bow and acknowledge your accompanist. The bow should be slow and sincere. Your head should be down (looking at the floor) and your feet should be close together.

7. Check your tuning briefly before you start (and in between pieces if you feel you need to re-assess).

8. At the end of the program, it is acceptable to express a few words of thanks to your applied teacher as well as your accompanist. If you plan to offer concluding remarks, you must submit them in written or audio form to the director of applied studies at least 14 days prior to your recital. If this deadline is not met (or if the remarks given at the recital deviate in spirit from the approved draft), the recitalist’s grade will be lowered. Remarks are considered a part of the recital presentation and should be presented with a high degree of professionalism.

9. The soloist is always the first person on, and the first person to leave, the stage.

10. At the end of the program, be prepared to come back immediately to accept the applause of your audience.

11. Write thank you notes to all who helped you.

**RECITAL PREPARATION SUGGESTIONS**

1. Develop a habit of recording yourself as you prepare for the recital. This can be a powerful self-assessment tool to help guide your practice and polish your musical interpretation.

2. Practice with a metronome. The understanding of a solid beat will help your rhythms “groove.” For variety, try making the metronome clicks occur on the off-beats. Another good strategy is to set the metronome to various subdivisions.

3. Carefully plan what you want to achieve during every practice session. Working on a given phrase repeatedly in depth may allow you to gain a better grasp on the technical demands and style of a whole section or even the entire piece.

4. Take the time to have several pre-performances. This will allow you to catch any mistakes before your recital. Students are strongly encouraged to present their recital program in schools, churches, senior centers, etc.

5. Project yourself into the recital situation when you are practicing—visualize the audience, imagine the setting, etc. Practice walking on/off stage, bowing, etc.

6. Practice with the lighting that you intend to use. Remember that lighting can affect pitch, reading ability, etc.
7. Make sure the accompanist and any other collaborators are set up in the same proximity during each rehearsal so that you can effectively practice your non-verbal communication.

8. Be aware that as the recitalist you control the tempo. Therefore practice cueing (subtly) so that it will be easier for you to set the desired tempo even if you are nervous. It is preferable to choose a slower overall tempo than to have to slow down for challenging technical passages. A good way to establish a tempo is to sing the most difficult section of a piece in your head before you begin.

9. Take a few moments before you perform the first note to “compose” yourself. Remind yourself about the mood you want to achieve.

10. When selecting a program, it is suggested that you draw on a variety of musical styles and genres (baroque, classical, romantic, impressionistic, 20th century, etc.). Not only will your audience respond better to a diverse program, but you will also be learning more about the subtleties of various styles. Your applied teacher will help with this process.

11. Also, as you select your program, take endurance into account. A secondary instrument could provide a welcomed break.

12. Think through the flow of your program so that you can get a feel for the progression of pieces that the audience will experience. Ask yourself, “If I were paying to hear this program, would I leave satisfied?”

13. Use original sheet music whenever possible and take page-turns into account. You may want to tape a photocopied page onto the music to avoid a distracting page turn.

14. Place the music stand so that the audience can see you and your instrument. You should also practice with the stand in this position.

15. If water is necessary, it should be in an inconspicuous sealed container. Sport containers are not recommended; open glasses and cups are prohibited.

16. Check your tuning with the piano prior to the start of your program so that you know what to expect. Re-tune briefly when you go on stage. Use your tuning notes to warm up, tune, and relax.

17. Make sure that items stored outside of the recital hall are secure. Instruments, purses, cell phones, iPads, etc., should not be left unattended outside of the recital hall while you are performing.

18. Composers’ birth and/or death years are required for your program. If the composer is still alive, then the publisher will most likely have their biographical information or you may be able to contact the composer directly via the internet. Other good sources for this information are the Ruppel Library or:

   www.naxosmusiclibrary.com

   www.grovemusic.com/

   ASCAP Biographical Dictionary, 4th edition
   (call number: REF ML 106.U3A5 1980)
REQUIREMENTS FOR PERFORMER’S CERTIFICATE RECITALS

The Performer’s Certificate at VanderCook College of Music recognizes outstanding achievement in solo and chamber music performance. The certificate is not a degree program, but rather a means to acknowledge the most accomplished performers at the undergraduate level. Students may apply for the Performer’s Certificate by completing an application form and an audition no later than the end of the sophomore year (TCSA jury). Students will be notified in writing by the director of applied studies regarding their acceptance into the Performer’s Certificate program.

If accepted, candidates must complete the following requirements:

- A minimum of 12 credit hours in their major applied area throughout the entire BMEd degree program.

- A junior solo recital with 30 to 45 minutes of music in the major applied area. The recital program must follow the repertoire guidelines set forth by the applied instructor and the director of applied studies. Vocalists must perform all their repertoire by memory unless approved by their applied instructor and the director of applied studies.

- A senior solo recital with 50 to 65 minutes of music in the major applied area. The recital program must follow the repertoire guidelines set forth by the applied instructor and the director of applied studies. The senior recital program may not repeat more than 20% of the repertoire previously performed in the junior recital. Vocalists must perform all their repertoire by memory unless approved by their applied instructor and the director of applied studies.

- At least two semesters in an honors ensemble after acceptance into the Performer’s Certificate program.
A student who wishes to perform in a secondary area on their recital must:

1. Submit a written request to the director of applied studies before the end of the first week of classes during the recital semester.
2. Successfully complete an audition before a faculty panel a minimum of six weeks before the recital.

If permission is granted, the student will need to meet the minimum number of minutes expected (30 minutes for junior recitals and 50 minutes for senior recital) on their primary instrument and must adhere to the recital guideline which states that no more than 10% of the recital repertoire may be performed in a secondary area.

At least four faculty members are required to attend and assess the junior and senior recitals. The faculty panel will use the standard BMEd recital assessment rubrics. The panel’s final scores will be averaged, and a minimum score of 84% is required for the Performer’s Certificate to be awarded.

**Graduate Lecture/Recital** (GRADUATE STUDENTS ONLY)

All Lecture/Recitals are expected to meet standards of graduate-level scholarship and musicianship on the student’s major instrument or voice. Permission from the applied instructor and the director of applied studies is required. **Graduate students must complete a pre-recital audition for permission to perform a Lecture/Recital and must study their major instrument for two residency semesters.**

The Graduate Lecture/Recital should consist of a 55-minute recital accompanied by oral program notes researched by the recitalist. The Lecture/Recital should not exceed 90 minutes. Lecture/Recitals may be performed on the student’s major instrument or voice, on a variety of instruments, as the conductor of an ensemble, or as the composer or arranger of music performed under his or her supervision.

A scholarly, referenced paper must be prepared and should include extensive research on the composers, events surrounding the writing of the music, analyses of each piece, suggestions for teaching the selections being performed, or any other type of information deemed appropriate. Written and oral program notes should be prepared from this paper. The exact format of the recital is determined by the student in consultation with the advisor.

Students who complete a Graduate Lecture/Recital must present a summary of their research during the annual presentation of Master’s Projects. In addition, the paper should be submitted for possible inclusion in the annual Master’s Project Collection. Students are required to adhere to all timelines and structural guidelines for Master’s Projects.

Students should register for the graduate Lecture/Recital using the Graduate Registration Form. A limit of four Lecture/Recitals or Lecture/Demonstrations will be accepted for any summer session. Students should submit their request as part of the Master’s Project process, complete the Graduate Recital Request Form located on page 15 of this Guide, and should register with the Graduate Dean using the Graduate Registration Form.
Graduate Lecture/Demonstration (GRADUATE STUDENTS ONLY)

The Lecture/Demonstration is an opportunity to share special subject matter with an audience in a teaching-oriented atmosphere. Topics may include comparing and contrasting musical styles, teaching jazz improvisation, ethnic instruments and musical styles, music or music education software, teaching methodologies or curricula, or other subjects appropriate for this format.

The presentation must be at least 60 minutes (not including intermission) and no more than 90 minutes including intermission, with the time being divided appropriately between lecture and demonstration. Performers may include the Lecture/Demonstration presenter, guest soloists, ensemble participants, or student groups. Audience participation may be encouraged.

A scholarly, referenced paper must be prepared according to the guidelines provided for the Master’s Project. Written and oral program notes should be prepared from this paper. The Lecture/Demonstration program must accompany the paper.

Students who complete a Lecture/Demonstration must present a summary of their research during the annual poster session. In addition, the paper should be submitted for possible inclusion in the annual Master’s Project Collection. An audition for permission to present a Lecture/Demonstration is not required.

A limit of four Lecture/Recitals or Lecture/Demonstrations will be accepted for any summer session. Students should submit their request as part of the Master’s Project process, complete the Graduate Recital Request Form located on page 15 of this Guide, and should register with the Graduate Dean using the Graduate Registration Form.
Please carefully read and complete this form. Note that only fully completed forms can be processed. Also, be aware that because of the many factors involved in recital scheduling, requests cannot be guaranteed.

Recitalist’s Name _____________________________________________                Junior _____ Senior _____

Major Applied Area ____________________________________________

Major Applied Teacher _________________________________________

Secondary Applied Area (if applicable) __________________________________

Secondary Applied Teacher (if applicable) ____________________________

There are several possible recital configurations for undergraduates. Indicate your preference below:

2 juniors _____ 2 seniors _____ 1 junior + 1 senior _____

2 juniors (both Performer’s Certificate only) _____ 1 senior (Performer’s Certificate only) _____

Requested Recital Partners (If applicable) __________________________________________

Each recitalist must fill out a form. The completed forms of all recitalists on the same program should be stapled together and submitted to the director of applied studies. Your preferred dates (listed below) must be confirmed by all parties involved, including other recitalists and their teachers. Accompanists will be assigned in consultation with the piano faculty once the director of applied studies confirms the final date.

Below please list two requested dates, at least seven days apart, from the “List of Possible Recital Dates – Fall 2022” which is available on Schoology. Be sure to check the most recent List of Possible Recital Dates before submitting this form, in order to assure that your proposed dates are still available. Dates will be confirmed on a first come, first served basis. However, the Recital Request Form must be submitted to the director of applied studies no later than FRIDAY, September 16, 2022.

1st Choice
Date _____________________________ Time(s) ______________________________________

2nd Choice
Date _____________________________ Time(s) ______________________________________

Teacher’s Signature (confirming the dates requested above) ____________________________________________

N. B. The Recital Repertoire Approval/Dress Rehearsal Scheduling Form will be due Friday, September 30, 2022.
VanderCook College of Music
Graduate Recital Request Form
(Lecture/Recital or Lecture/Demonstration)
(Updated 8/15/22)

Please carefully read and complete this form. Note that only fully completed forms can be processed. Also be aware that because of the many factors involved in recital scheduling, requests cannot be guaranteed.

Presenter’s Name __________________________________________________________

Select presentation type: Lecture Recital ________ Lecture Demonstration ________

Proposed Topic ___________________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________________________

Graduate Lecture/Recitals and Lecture/Demonstration are scheduled at 7:00 pm on selected dates during weeks four and five of the six-week summer session. Please indicate date preferences below:

1st Choice
Date ___________________________   Time 7:00 pm

2nd Choice
Date ___________________________   Time 7:00 pm

Teacher/Advisor’s Signature (confirming the dates requested above) _________________________________
## VanderCook College of Music

### Recital Repertoire Approval/Dress Rehearsal Form

**Fall 2022 – Due 9/30/2022 or 21 days before the recital, whichever comes first.**

(Updated 8/15/22)

The purpose of this form is to:

- Outline the recitalist’s proposed repertoire.
- Provide a forum for the teacher(s) to certify that the student is on track to successfully perform the recital and that the length of the student’s program falls within the appropriate time frame.
- Confirm a dress rehearsal date and time

This form must be submitted to the director of applied studies by FRIDAY, September 30, 2022 or 21 days before the recital, whichever comes first.

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**Junior Recitals:** 15 to 20 minutes of music (with no more than 5 minutes in a secondary area); Performer’s Certificate: 30 to 45 minutes of music

**Senior Recitals:** 30 to 45 minutes of music (with no more than 10 minutes in a secondary area); Performer’s Certificate: 50 to 65 minutes of music

**Graduate Recitals:** a minimum of 55 minutes of music, but not to exceed 90 minutes including lecture

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Total:
Confirmed Dress Rehearsal Information  
This section must be completed by the Front Office Manager

Date __________________________________

Start Time _____________________________

End Time ______________________________

Location _______________________________

Front Office Manager | signature: | date:
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By signing below the teacher(s) is/are confirming that:
(a) the length of the program falls within the stated guidelines.
(b) the recitalist is on track to perform the recital as listed on the reverse side of this form.
(c) they are available to attend the dress rehearsal as noted above.

By signing below the collaborative pianist is confirming that they have agreed to play the recital, have received all of the music from the student, and are available to attend the dress rehearsal as noted above.

Recitalist | signature: | date:
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Major Applied Teacher | signature: | date:
Secondary Applied Teacher | signature: | date:
Collaborative Pianist | signature: | date:

Do you have any additional instrument needs (i.e. two pianos)? _____________________________

Do you have any special audio-visual needs? _____________________________

SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM TO THE DIRECTOR OF APPLIED STUDIES  
NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, September 30, 2022  
or 21 days before the recital, whichever comes first.
VanderCook College of Music
Lecture/Demonstration Approval & Dress Rehearsal Form
(Updated 8/15/22)

Student’s Name: ____________________________________________________________

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The major project advisor is responsible for approving the tentative program content. The Lecture/Demonstration program must comply with the guidelines published in the *Recital Guide*.

**PROPOSED PROGRAM**
(adapt form below as needed)

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Total:
The presentation must be no less than 60 minutes (not including intermission) and no more than 90 minutes (including intermission), with the time being divided appropriately between lecture and demonstration.

Approved Lecture/Demonstration Date: _____________________  Room: Q120 100 130

Time of Lecture/Demonstration: _____________________

Confirmed Dress Rehearsal Information
This section must be completed by the Front Office Manager

Date _____________________
Start Time _____________________
End Time _____________________
Location _____________________

Front Office Manager | signature: _____________________  date: _____________________

Additional equipment needs: _____________________

Audio-visual needs: _____________________

This request must be submitted to the director of applied studies at least 30 calendar days prior to the Lecture/Demonstration date.

This request is approved and submitted by:

Project Advisor: _____________________  Date: _____________________
Student: _____________________  Date: _____________________
Undergraduate Recital Logistics Checklist – Fall 2022

Recitalist’s Name ________________________________

In order to present a successful recital, it is necessary to carefully plan and execute a number of important details in a timely fashion. Below are several logistical tasks that will be assessed for completeness, accuracy, and adherence to deadlines. These will comprise 10% of the final recital grade.

It is recommended that you keep track of these details on the checklist below.

1. Undergraduate Recital Request Form – Due Friday, September 16, 2022

☐ Date submitted ________________________________

2. Recital Repertoire Approval/Dress Rehearsal Form – Due Friday, September 30, 2022 or 21 days before the recital, whichever comes first.

☐ Date submitted ________________________________

3. Program Information Template (available from the Director of Applied Studies) – Due 21 days before recital date

21 days before my recital is _________________

☐ Date submitted ________________________________

4. Recital Day Preparation Tasks – Due 14 days before recital date

14 days before my recital is _________________

• Set-up chart for each piece

☐ Date submitted ________________________________

• Names of set-up person, door person, and page turner

☐ Date submitted ________________________________

• Recital remarks (written - 3 minute maximum)

☐ Date submitted ________________________________
Style Guide for Recital Programs
2022-23

Music educators are often called upon to produce concert programs. The purpose of this guide is to outline a standard, professionally accepted method of listing musical works on programs. With some modifications, it is based on Writing about Music: A Style Sheet by D. Kern Holoman (Oakland, CA: University of California Press, 2014). While these guidelines should be carefully adhered to when completing the VanderCook Recital Program Template, it is hoped that they will serve as a resource in other situations as well.

1. Titles of Musical Works

1.1 Work titles are capitalized based on the language used.

- English – capitalize the first word and all following words except for articles, prepositions, and conjunctions.
  
  Fanfare for the Common Man (1942)  Aaron Copland

- French – capitalize all words up to and including the first noun. Thereafter, all words are lowercase with the exception of proper nouns.
  
  Messe solennelle à Sainte Cécile  Charles Gounod

- German – capitalize the first word and all nouns.
  
  Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme, BWV 140  Johann Sebastian Bach

- Italian and Spanish – capitalize the first word and proper nouns; all other words are lowercase.
  
  Le nozze di Figaro, K. 492  Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
  Noches en los jardines de España, G. 49  Manuel de Falla

1.2 The words “major” and “minor” are capitalized in a title.

  Sonata in E Minor, Op. 7  Edvard Grieg

1.3 The words “flat” and “sharp” used in relation to a key are lowercase and should be hyphenated with their letter.

  Concerto in E-flat Major, Op. 73  Ludwig van Beethoven

1.4 Include all pertinent opus numbers, catalog numbers, and key designations. Number is abbreviated as “No.” Opus is abbreviated as “Op.” When “Op.” and “No.” are used consecutively, no comma is needed.

  Symphony No. 5 in B-flat Major, Op. 100  Sergei Prokofiev
  Sonata in F-sharp Minor, Op. 120 No. 2  Johannes Brahms

1.5 Works from the 20th or 21st century should include the date of composition (not the copyright date) in parentheses at the end of the full title.

  Symphony of Psalms (1930)  Igor Stravinsky
1.6 Thematic catalog numbers should be included and are abbreviated based on their cataloger’s name. They are typically followed by a period except Werke-Verzeichnis designations such as BWV (Bach-Werke-Verzeichnis), FWV (Franck-Werke-Verzeichnis), HWV (Handel-Werke-Verzeichnis), etc.

Examples of catalog abbreviations:

- D. - for Otto Erich Deutsch, Schubert’s cataloger
- H. - for D. Kern Holoman, Berlioz’s cataloger
- Hob. - for Anthony van Hoboken, Haydn’s cataloger
- K. - for Ludwig Ritter von Köchel, Mozart’s cataloger

1.7 Descriptive titles given by the composer follow the formal title in quotation marks.

Symphony No. 4, Op. 29, “The Inextinguishable” Carl Nielsen

1.8 Works commonly referred to by titles not given by the composer are put in quotation marks and enclosed by parentheses.

Symphony No. 8 in B Minor (“Unfinished”) Franz Schubert

1.9 A song or movement from a larger work should appear in normal font, even if the title is in a foreign language. The song or movement is followed by a comma, the word “from” and then the title of the larger work of which it is a part (in italics).

Ich grolle nicht, from Dichterliebe, Op. 48 Robert Schumann
O mio babbino caro, from Gianni Schicchi (1918) Giacomo Puccini
Gloria, from La Fiesta de la Posada (1975) Dave Brubeck

1.10 Movement titles are indented one tab directly under the work title. They are capitalized according to the same language-based rules as work titles. If all movements of a work are performed, they are not numbered.

Symphony in D Minor, FWV 48 César Franck
Lento—Allegro ma non troppo (1822-1890)
Allegretto
Finale: Allegro non troppo

1.11 If only selected movements of a work are performed, movement numbers are given in uppercase Roman numerals.

Suite of Old American Dances (1949) Robert Russell Bennett
I. Cake Walk (1894-1981)
II. Schottische
V. Rag

1.12 If no movement title or tempo marking is indicated, but there is a metronome marking given, that should be listed in the place of a tempo marking.

VI. ♩ = 80-84 (b. 1970)
2. Composer Information

2.1 Use English or Anglicized names for composers.

Tchaikovsky (not Chaikovsky)
Prokofiev (not Prokofieff)
Schoenberg (not Schönberg)

2.2 Include full first and last names. Use middle names only when commonly used.

Gabriel Fauré (not G. Fauré or Gabriel Urbain Fauré)
Claude Debussy (not C. Debussy or Achille-Claude Debussy)
George Frideric Handel (not G. F. Handel or George Handel)

2.3 Composer dates are enclosed in parentheses underneath the composer’s name. If a composer is still living, the birth date is given in parentheses with the abbreviation “b.”

The Best of Rooms (1963) Randall Thompson (1899-1984)
There Will Be Rest (2000) Frank Ticheli (b. 1958)

2.4 If more than one piece by a given composer appears on a program, it is only necessary to give the composer’s dates for the first work listed.

Scherzo No. 1 in D Minor, Op. 10 Clara Schumann (1819-1896)
Piano Trio, Op. 11 Fanny Hensel (1805-1847)
Three Romances, Op. 21 Clara Schumann
Andante con moto, from Songs Without Words, Op. 2 Fanny Hensel

2.5 The name of an arranger or transcriber should appear underneath the composer’s dates, with the abbreviation “arr.” or “trans.” before the name.

March, from Symphonic Metamorphoses on Themes by Carl Maria von Weber (1943) Paul Hindemith (1895-1963) trans. Keith Wilson

3. Translations

Vocalists must provide side-by-side translations of songs or arias sung in a language other than English. It is the vocalist’s responsibility to find, type, copy, and distribute these translations. It is recommended that these translations be the same size as the program, but may not exceed letter size. Each translation should be titled and the original author or librettist indicated under the foreign language text. The name of the person who translated the text into English should be listed under the translation. All translations must be approved by the vocalist’s teacher and the director of applied studies.
Dichterliebe – Robert Schumann

Im wunderschönen Monat Mai
Als alle Knospen sprangen
Da ist in meinem Herzen
Die Liebe aufgegangen.

In the gloriously beautiful month of May,
As all the buds were breaking,
Then in my heart
Love bloomed.

Im wunderschönen Monat Mai
Als alle Vögel sangen,
Da hab' ich ihr gestanden
Mein Sehnen und Verlangen.

In the gloriously beautiful month of May,
As all the birds were singing,
Then I revealed to her
My longing and desire.

Text by Heinrich Heine
Translation by Celia Sgroi

4. Program Notes

All recitalists are encouraged to write program notes that will provide the audience with information to heighten their experience of the performance. It is the recitalist’s responsibility to write, copy, and distribute these notes. It is recommended that program notes be the same size as the program, but may not exceed letter size. Program notes should be succinct and focus on a limited number of points related to the piece. It may be helpful to address a few of the following questions about a work:

What led to its composition? Was it written for a specific occasion? Was it dedicated to a specific person or group? How was it initially received? Where does it fall in the composer’s life? If the work features a text, how do musical elements reflect the words? Does it have any programmatic elements or extra-musical references? What is the form of the piece? Does it employ any special compositional techniques? What does it contribute to the repertoire of your instrument?

All program notes must be approved by the recitalist’s teacher and the director of applied studies.

~Bonnie H. Campbell
10/25/18, rev. 1/7/20, 8/15/20, 8/15/21