

JAN-MAR 2023 OPERA ENSEMBLE – Audition Video Upload Instructions

Guidelines

Participants seeking admission to the Winter Opera Ensemble can audition in one of two ways:

- 1) Submit your audition video online **by Saturday December 10, 2022** (instructions below), OR
- 2) For VSOSoM students only: Contact Diane King to schedule an in-person audition at the school.

Repertoire to be performed in audition:

Two contrasting operatic arias, at least one of which should be in Italian

STEP ONE: RECORD YOUR VIDEO

Record a video no more than 10mins in length, of you singing the repertoire listed in the audition guidelines above. The applicant should state his or her name at the beginning of the video.

Recordings may be accompanied or unaccompanied. If accompanied, please make sure the vocal line is clearly audible. Please make sure you are in the frame.

We will only accept one recording; you may record your video as many times as you like until you are satisfied with the final result. Always listen back to your finished recording to check it is representative.

STEP TWO: UPLOAD YOUR VIDEO

- You will need a YouTube account to do this; if you do not already have one you can easily create one free at www.youtube.com.
- Click the “**Upload**” button located in the top right-hand corner of the screen.
- **Change the setting “public” to “unlisted”**, and then follow the onscreen instructions to upload your video. Make the title of the video “VSO School of Music Submission”.
- Test your video by copy-pasting the URL into an email to yourself or a friend.
- Copy the URL in an email to kira@vsoschoolofmusic.ca with the subject “Winter Opera Ensemble Audition 2023 – FirstName LastName”. In the body of the email, **include your name, phone number, address and date of birth.**
- Do not change or edit your video after sending us the URL, and please leave your video on YouTube until you have been contacted regarding the audition results.
- If you need assistance with this process, please contact Kira Bennett, Programs Manager: kira@vsoschoolofmusic.ca