

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

September 19, 2023

Dear Orchestra Directors,

As Orchestra Director at Colorado State University Pueblo, I am very pleased to present a great performance opportunity for your students. The annual Southern Colorado High School Honor Orchestra returns this year in conjunction with the Southern Colorado High School Honor Choir on the campus of Colorado State University Pueblo, **November 17-18**, **2023**. This year's orchestra will be conducted by Dr. Oleksii Hamov, Visiting Lecturer at CSU Pueblo.

Selection for the festival will be by **director recommendation.** Please submit up to 8 names, preferably players from all four instruments (violin, viola, cello, bass). **Deadline** for applications and payments will be on **Friday, October 20, 2023.**

Applications for the Honor Orchestra must be submitted online and can be found at: https://forms.gle/f5PtVyYfyG7BhtBd9

The non-refundable \$40 registration fee should be sent by check or paid by credit card over the phone. **Please make checks payable to the CSUPueblo Department of Music** and mail to:

Chad Beery CSUPueblo Department of Music: Honor Orchestra 2200 Bonforte Blvd. Pueblo, CO 81001

For credit card payments, please call 719-549-2552.

Scholarship Auditions for High School Seniors to Attend CSUP:

- Seniors are welcome to audition for entrance into the Music Department
- Honor Orchestra participants receive an automatic \$1000/year scholarship to CSUP if enrolled in lessons and at least one ensemble regardless of major
- Please prepare 2 scales (2 or 3 octaves), 2 pieces/etudes (can be music from their school orchestra) that best demonstrates their playing ability. Brief sight reading will be part of the audition.

All music and pertinent information may also be accessed from our website at <u>CSUP Honor Festival</u> Individual schools are responsible for transportation to and from the university, meals (other than the Friday evening banquet), and for housing if your distance results in an excessive commute.

Seating Auditions: This year, auditions for seating will be VOLUNTARY. If your student would like to audition for a seat placement, please send a video link to me no later than **Monday**, **Nov. 13**. Those who do not wish to audition will seated at the conductor's discretion. Audition Excerpts will be from the following:

Violins: Skoryk Melodia: M. 25-32 Cellos: Skoryk Melodia M. 17-32

Violas: Skoryk Melodia M. 16-24

I hope that you are as excited about the 2023 Southern Colorado High School Honor Orchestra as I am! Please feel free to contact me at o.hamov@csupueblo.edu if you have any questions. I look forward to hearing from you!

Musically yours,

Dr. Oleksii Hamov Visiting Lecturer and Director of Orchestra and Chamber Ensembles Colorado State University Pueblo