

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY
ALL UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA

Symphony Audition Requirements

Fall 2026

TRUMPET

**Please note, all brass players may be assigned to AUO Chamber Orchestra if needed. An audition does not guarantee a placement in the AUO Symphony.*

Deadline: Friday, August 21, 11:59pm

Step 1: Title of Video in Subject Heading should include: *Name_Instrument*

- Example: John Smith_**Instrument**

Step 2: Video Logistics

- 2 Scales: ascending & descending (3 octaves) Quarter = 120
 - Chromatic Scale (Slur up and legato articulation down)
 - 1 melodic minor scale of your choice (staccato up and legato down)
- Audition Excerpts in Order (skip measures of rests)
 - All audition excerpts must be submitted for consideration
- Video Forms
 - YouTube, Vimeo
 - Make sure links are unlisted or public

Step 3: Email Link (make sure it is either unlisted or public)

- Subject Heading: *Name_Instrument*
- Send to: cmuauo@gmail.com

Step 4: Sign-up for the AUO Discord Message Board and follow the prompts

- [AUO Discord Channel](#)

We encourage you to simply try your best, there is no need for perfection.

Listen to recordings to help you prepare!

TRUMPET

#1: Debussy: La Mer: Mvt 3: 6 before [58] to 3 before [58] (Quarter-Note = 150)

Cornet/Trumpet in C

CORNETS

f *sourdines* *f* *p*

#2: Debussy: La Mer: Mvt 1: 3 before [1] to 6 after [1] (Half-Note = 50)

Trumpet in F

En FA

Très lent

Hautb.

TROMP. (Sourdine)

5 *p* *pp*

1

pp expressif et soutenu *piu pp*

2

5

#3: Debussy: La Mer: Mvt 3: [44] to [45] (Half-note = 96)

Trumpet in F

Musical score for Trumpet in F, measures 44 to 45. The score is written on three staves. The first staff starts at measure 15 and includes parts for 'Bons', 'Htb', and 'Cors'. Measure 44 is marked with a box and includes the instruction '1^{re} TROMP. Sourdine' and 'f *expressif*'. The second staff includes the instruction '1 1^{re} et 2^o TROMP.' and 'sans Sourdine f'. The third staff ends at measure 45, which is boxed.

#4: Rachmaninioff: Isle of Dead: 11th of [11] to [13] (Eighth-note = 150)

Trumpet in Bb

Musical score for Trumpet in Bb, measures 11 to 13. The score is written on three staves. The first staff includes measures 11 and 10, with dynamics 'dim.', 'mf', and 'dim.'. The second staff includes measure 12, with dynamics 'poco cresc.', 'cresc.', 'f', and 'cresc.'. The third staff includes measure 13, with dynamics 'ff', 'p cresc.', 'ff', and 'p dim.'. The piece concludes with a 4-measure rest and a 3/4 time signature.