



**Open Auditions** are open to all interested young musicians, ages 8-18, for all Napa Valley Youth Symphony ensembles each Spring and Fall. We will hold auditions on a rolling basis during the season depending on the needs of each ensemble.

This audition packet is for the **Youth Symphony**.

### **Ensemble Information and Audition Dates**

Our audition dates and appointments are available at: <https://www.nvyso.org/info/audition>.

→ **Youth Symphony** (Level 3): Intermediate to Advanced Musicians. Ages 12 to 18.

◆ **Chamber Orchestra:** *Advanced Strings Musicians by invitation. Participation concurrent with Youth Symphony.*

### **New to our Auditions?**

Please prepare the audition materials that are appropriate to your current playing level. Seek advice from your private teacher or music instructor about which level of audition materials is most appropriate to prepare based on your current skill level. If you do not have a private teacher or music instructor - ask us!

**Advancing Musicians:** For those already in an ensemble and would like to advance to a higher level of ensemble, discuss your interest to advance with your ensemble Director and prepare the scales and excerpts for the highest level ensemble in which you would like to play in.

### **Audition Requirements – YOUTH SYMPHONY**

→ **Section I (Scales and Articulations):** Prepare all scales. You may choose one scale to begin this section of the audition. Other scales may be asked in addition to the scale you choose to play. Be prepared with the following articulation examples for the scale:

◆ Slur 2 Notes

◆ Marcato

◆ Slur 4 Notes

◆ Staccato

◆ Slur 8 Notes

◆ Hooked Bow (Portato)

→ **Section II (Excerpts):** Please view and prepare the designated excerpts for your instrument.

→ **Section III (Solo Piece):** Please prepare one solo piece that demonstrates your most advanced abilities on your instrument. Make sure you work with your instructor on the piece so that you can play it well and feel comfortable playing it in front of others.

**Sections I and II** are attached for your practice prior to the audition. All auditions will be held with a panel of at least two adjudicators selected as appropriate for your level and instrument family. Only the musician is allowed to enter the room; parents/guardians may wait in the lobby area. Please expect auditions to be 10-15 minutes.

### **Audition Appointments**

To request an audition appointment, please submit an audition request form at:

<https://www.nvyso.org/info/audition>.

### **Questions?**

Please contact us at [orchestra@nvysso.org](mailto:orchestra@nvysso.org).

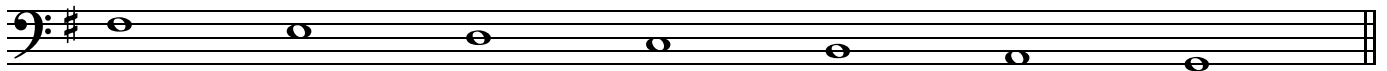
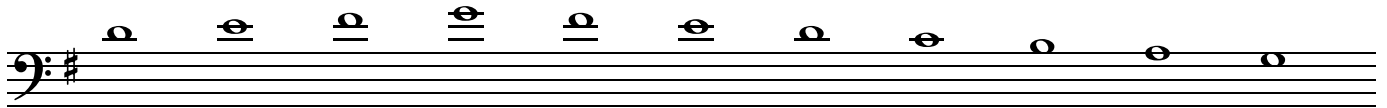
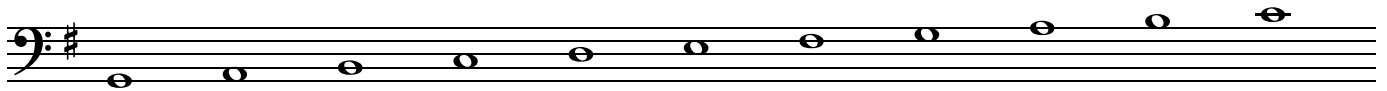


NAPA VALLEY YOUTH SYMPHONY

## Doublebass Level 3 Scales

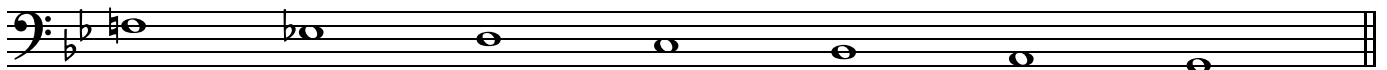
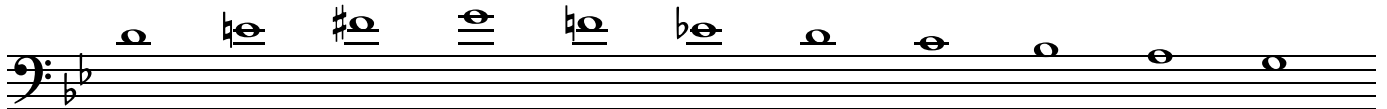
♩ = 120

Two octaves G Major



♩ = 120

Two octaves G Melodic minor



a) Slur 2

Musical notation for exercise a) Slur 2. It features a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The scale consists of eight eighth notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, D3, E3, F#3, and G3. The notes are grouped into pairs, with each pair connected by a slur.

b) Slur 4

Musical notation for exercise b) Slur 4. It features a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The scale consists of eight eighth notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, D3, E3, F#3, and G3. The notes are grouped into pairs, with each pair connected by a slur.

c) Slur 8

Musical notation for exercise c) Slur 8. It features a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The scale consists of eight eighth notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, D3, E3, F#3, and G3. The entire scale is connected by a single slur.

d) Staccato

Musical notation for exercise d) Staccato. It features a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The scale consists of eight eighth notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, D3, E3, F#3, and G3. Each note is marked with a staccato dot below it.

e) Marcato

Musical notation for exercise e) Marcato. It features a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The scale consists of eight eighth notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, D3, E3, F#3, and G3. Each note is marked with a marcato accent (^) above it.

f) Hooked bow (Portato)

Musical notation for exercise f) Hooked bow (Portato). It features a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The scale consists of eight eighth notes: G2, A2, B2, C3, D3, E3, F#3, and G3. The notes are grouped into pairs, with each pair connected by a slur. The exercise is performed with a hooked bow technique, indicated by the slurs.



# NVYS Doublebass Excerpts

## Verdi/Stone, Grand March from "Aida"

**Allegro maestoso** ♩ = 100

ff

6

pesante 3 mf

## Saint-Saëns, Marche Militaire Française

**Allegro giocoso** arco

f

5

f

9

Dvorak, Symphony No. 9, 1st mvt.  
Allegro molto ♩ = 136

ff fz fz fz

8

fz ff ff

15

ff

22

ff

Dvorak, Symphony No. 9, 4th mvt.  
Allegro con fuoco ♩ = 146

arco 3 mf fz mf<sup>3</sup>

4

fz f<sup>3</sup> dim. p