

THE UKRAINIAN BANDURIST CHORUS OF NORTH AMERICA Українська Капеля Бандуристів Північної Америки ім. Т. Шевченка

UBC AUDITION INFORMATION SHEET

Thank you for your interest in auditioning for the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus of North America. This is an informational sheet to get you started.

AUDITION PACKET:

- (1) UBC AUDITION INFORMATION PAGE (this document)
- (2) AUDITION APPLICATION (1 page info sheet, 3 page application)

Two application methods available: PDF document & Google form

(3) HISTORY OF THE UKRAINIAN BANDURIST CHORUS of NORTH AMERICA

APPLICATION PROCESS AND SUBMISSION OF AUDITION MATERIALS

- Please fill out the UBC AUDITION APPLICATION:
 2 options: PDF option or Google form < <u>ONLINE AUDITION APPLICATION</u> >
- 2. SUBMIT the application, either through google form or via e-mail attachment to <u>auditions@bandura.org</u>
- 3. Once you have emailed us or submitted a google form, we will email you a link to upload a resume, the required video recordings, and any other materials you would like us to review.
- 4. You must submit a video of the required songs as follows:
 - a. **VOCALISTS:** Prepare 2 vocal songs, with at least one in the Ukrainian language.
 - b. BANDURISTS: Prepare two songs for the bandura in contrasting styles.
- 5. You may supply video links of past performances in lieu of submitting a video of the required songs. However, the past performances must have occurred within the last year, and we may still ask that you provide a video made specifically for this audition.
- 6. Please submit an additional (third) video of you describing the following: Your name, current city of residence, occupation, voice part, a quick summary of past musical experience, and a brief description of why you want to audition for the UBC.

7. Your video can be made on a camera phone as long as the phone is stationary and the sound quality is acceptable.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOU HAVE PROVIDED ALL THE AUDITION MATERIALS?

- 1. The UBC will provide you with a confirmation e-mail once we have received your materials.
- 2. The UBC Artistic Director and Artistic Council will review your application and videos, then make an initial determination.
- 3. The UBC Artistic Council may schedule a virtual interview with you. Prior to this virtual interview, we will provide you with the upcoming schedule as well as policies of the UBC so we can go over the general operations structure of the UBC and answer any of your questions. During this virtual interview, we will also test your vocal range, have some note matching exercises, and send you a musical excerpt for a sight-reading / preparation test.
- After the virtual interview, the UBC Artistic Council will evaluate your audition materials, discuss your interview, weigh the other candidates for the concert season, and then make a decision on your candidacy.
- * Note to past musicians of the UBC (member, alumnus, candidate):

A UBC member / alumni / candidate must re-audition for the concert ensemble if he has not been in attendance at a rehearsal or performance for more than a year. Once a UBC member or alumnus passes the audition, attends rehearsals, and is accepted into the concert ensemble, he is eligible to be considered as an active UBC member after his first concert / recording / project.

If you have any questions about the audition process, please email <u>auditions@bandura.org</u>.

Respectfully

Oleh Mahlay, Artistic Director and Conductor

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