

Lawrence University Wind Ensemble

Concerto Competition Guide

2023

Audition: January 22nd, 2023

Performance: May 20th, 2023

Open to any student enrolled in applied music study at Lawrence University who has been nominated in writing by their studio teacher.

- Solo applicants must memorize repertoire. Exceptions may be made at the discretion of the conductor.
- Competitors are not disqualified from competing in future LUWE Concerto Competitions, but winners may not enter a future competition.
- The selection committee will consist of no fewer than 3 and no more than 7 judges.
- Auditions will be a maximum of 20 minutes in length (no exceptions). If a selection longer than 20 minutes is being performed, the student participant may organize their own audition excerpts that best represent their overall performance within the time limit. The audition must include excerpts from every movement of a concerto or every section of a one movement work. All cadenzas must be performed. For considerations of concert length, selected students may be asked to perform selected movement(s) or make appropriate cuts in their selection.
- Difficulty, length, and availability of accompaniment may be taken into consideration when determining winner(s).
- Competitors must provide their own accompanist and copies of scores (piano scores are acceptable) for each of the judges.
- Judges may select multiple winners and have the right not to pick a winner. If multiple winners are selected, it may be necessary for each performer to perform a single movement or selected portion of their concerto.
- The winner(s) will perform with the Wind Ensemble in concert during third term
- It is the responsibility of the applicant to consult with Professor Mast if the selection demands nonstandard instrumentation outside of the traditional wind band.
- If not originally scored for winds, a transcription for wind ensemble must be readily available. While transcribed concertos are acceptable, preference will be given to those originally written for wind band accompaniment.