



Lander
University
Department of Music
Where Musical Minds Meet

Music Scholarship
Auditions

2021-2022

About the Department of Music

Fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music, the **Lander University Department of Music** offers a comprehensive program of music study designed to promote musical literacy and artistry.

Conceived within the tradition of a liberal arts education, the Bachelor of Science degree in music (instrumental, keyboard and vocal) combines a strong music component with a broad menu of elective courses, while the Bachelor of Science in music, K-12 teacher certification (choral, instrumental and keyboard) curriculum prepares students for the organization and administration of public and private school music programs.

Music students receive one-on-one studio instruction and are afforded valuable performing opportunities with the Brass, Guitar, Keyboard, Percussion, String and Woodwind ensembles; Jazz Combo, the University and Old Main Singers, Opera Workshop, the Lander Chamber Strings, the Lander Jazz Ensemble, and the Lander Wind Ensemble.

At Lander University, you will find teachers, performers, parents, doctors, politicians, lawyers, music ministers, conductors, composers, recording artists, retailers, rockers, master's and doctoral students, and many more among those who have passed through our studio and classroom doors.

Music Scholarships

Lander's Department of Music offers scholarships to freshmen and transfer students who wish to pursue a degree program as music majors. Prospective majors must audition before the music faculty to demonstrate performing abilities and musical potential, as well as knowledge of music fundamentals.

Ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 per academic year, music scholarships are awarded to students in these applied areas:

- baritone horn/
euphonium
- bassoon
- clarinet
- flute
- French horn
- guitar
- oboe
- organ
- percussion
- piano
- saxophone
- strings
- trombone
- trumpet
- tuba
- voice

A limited number of scholarships are available each year to music minors and to ensemble participants. The Brookside Housing Grant (up to \$3,000 per year) is open, while funds are available, to qualifying musicians who perform in the Lander University Pep Band, the Lander University Singers and the Lander University Wind Ensemble. Students must be officially accepted to the university prior to the awarding of scholarships.

See a complete listing of scholarships at:
www.lander.edu/music.



Application and Audition Registration

Application for admission to Lander University may be made online at www.lander.edu/admissions or by contacting the Office of Admissions at **864-388-8307**.

Musicians should submit the Lander Music Scholarship Application and Audition Registration Form, accompanied by a letter of recommendation from a music professional, at least one week prior to your chosen audition date.

Saturday auditions coincide with Admissions Open Houses, during which you may speak with music faculty and representatives from Admissions, Financial Aid and Housing, enjoy a meal in the dining hall and tour the Lander campus.

The 2021-2022 Admissions Open House dates are:

- **October 9, 2021**
- **February 19, 2022**
- **November 13, 2021**
- **March 19, 2022**

At auditions, students are expected to perform two selections in contrasting styles and to complete a multiple-choice theory rudiments exam. Musicians may also be required to execute scales and sight read. A university accompanist will be available. Alternate audition dates may be arranged by contacting a music faculty member.

Opportunity for Instrumentalists

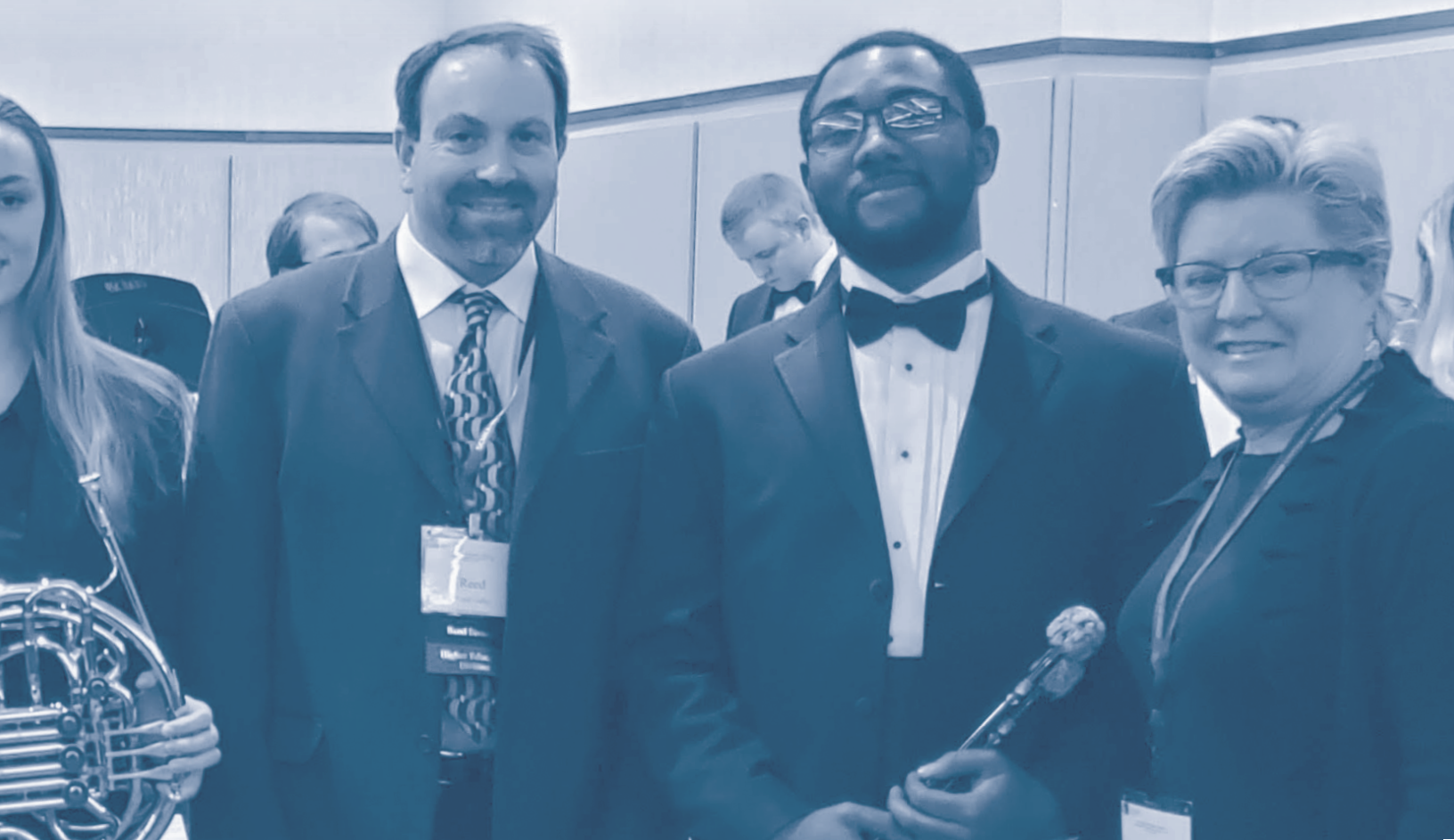
High school instrumentalists from Abbeville, Clinton, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Ninety Six, Saluda and surrounding areas who are nominated by their band directors are invited to participate in Lander University's All Lakelands Honor Band in November of 2021. Chair auditions, sectionals, rehearsals and a final concert will take place in the Abney Cultural Center. The two-day event will provide an opportunity to visit campus and interact with music faculty and students. Contact Dr. Reed Gallo at rgallo@lander.edu for additional information.

Experience MUSICMANIA

Enjoy a free afternoon of music at Lander on **February 19, 2022!** Jam with faculty saxophonist Dr. Robert Gardiner. Explore conducting techniques with Wind Ensemble director Dr. Reed Gallo. Sing along with University Singers choral conductor Dr. Chuck Neufeld. Compose a tune with theorist/composer Dr. Robert Kelley. Explore clefs with Chamber Strings director Ms. Amy Blackwood. Music scholarships will be awarded to two outstanding MUSICmania participants. Contact Dr. Lila Noonkester at lnoonkes@lander.edu to register for the prospective student event.

Questions and Information

For information about Lander University's music degree programs or the scholarship application/audition process, please contact Dr. Lila Noonkester, Chair, Department of Music, at **864-388-8348** or lnoonkes@lander.edu.





At Lander, you will work closely with experienced and nationally recognized faculty, all of whom are more than just skilled educators. They are also performing musicians and scholars. Our faculty includes pianists who have performed for audiences around the world; instrumentalists who have appeared with critically acclaimed bands and symphonies; conductors who have premiered works on artist recordings; and vocalists who have sung in professional choirs and opera and musical theatre companies. Lander's highly motivated and talented music faculty is eager to teach and advise, to engage and encourage you in your musical journey, and, above all, to prepare you for possible graduate study and the successful pursuit of a career in music.

THE FACULTY

Blackwood, Amy [M.M., UNC-Greensboro]
Staff Accompanist, Chamber Strings
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Bracchitta, Ian [B.M., Massachusetts]
Double Bass

Crenshaw, Sonja [M.M., Northern Iowa]
French Horn

Gallo, Dawn [M.M., Louisiana State]
Flute

Gallo, Reed [D.M.A., Illinois at Urbana-Champaign]
Trumpet, Brass Ensemble, Wind Ensemble
864-388-8345; rgallo@lander.edu

Gardiner, Robert [D.M.A., South Carolina]
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864-388-8236; rgardiner@lander.edu

Gardner, Becky [B.M.E., College of Wooster]
Oboe

Hazan, Catherine [M.M., Catholic University]
Violin, Viola

Hilley, Byron [M.M., Northeast Louisiana]
Low Brass

Jones, Matthew [B.M., South Carolina]
Percussion, Percussion Ensemble

Kelley, Robert [Ph.D., Florida State]
Piano, Piano Ensemble, Theory, World Music
864-388-8774; rkelly@lander.edu

Neufeld, Chuck [D.M.A., Arizona State]
Voice, Choral Ensembles, Music Education
864-388-8346; cneufeld@lander.edu

Newell, Michael [B.M., Berklee College of Music]
Guitar

Noonkester, Lila [D.M.A., Eastman School of Music]
Chair, Department of Music
Voice, Theory, Opera Workshop
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Thomas, Richard [D.M.A., South Carolina]
Cello

Usherwood, Jessica [D.M., Indiana]
Introduction to Music

White, Coleen [D.M.A., Oregon]
Clarinet, Music History, Woodwind Ensemble
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Music Scholarship Application and Audition Registration Form

Please type or print legibly.

Date: _____ Social Security or Lander "L" Number: _____

Name: _____ Gender: _____

Permanent Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Current Email Address: _____

Current High School or College: _____ Grad Date: _____

Most Recent SAT or ACT Composite Test Score: _____ Date Taken: _____

Have you made application to Lander? _____ Have you been accepted? _____

Check Requested Audition Date:

☐ Saturday, Oct. 9, 2021

☐ Saturday, Feb. 19, 2022

☐ Alternate date to be arranged

☐ Saturday, Nov. 13, 2021

☐ Saturday, Mar. 19, 2022

Audition Area(s): ☐ Voice ☐ Piano ☐ Instrument: _____

I plan to be a(n): ☐ Music Major ☐ Music Minor ☐ Ensemble Participant Only

How long have you studied? _____ Teacher's Name: _____

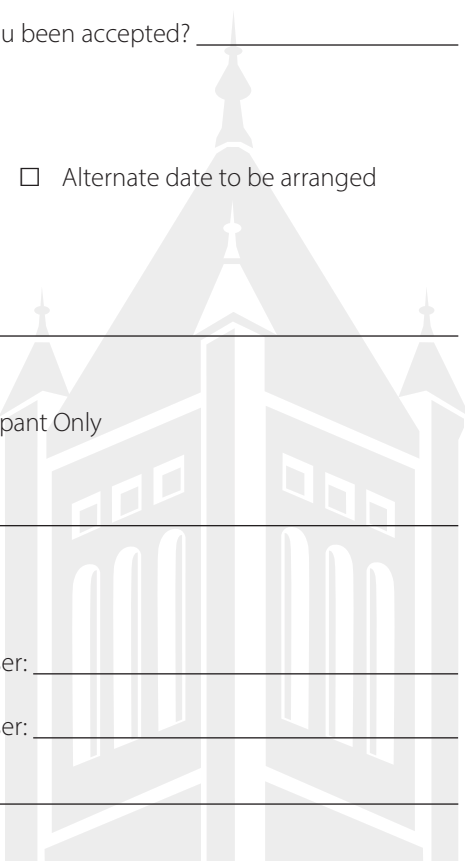
Which musical selections have you prepared for your audition?

Title: _____ Composer: _____

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Will you need a university accompanist? _____

PLEASE TURN OVER TO COMPLETE FORM



Below, please list your performing experience, honors and awards, theory or history study, career goals, and any other pertinent information concerning your musical and academic background.

Please submit along with this form one letter of recommendation from a music professional to:

Dr. Lila Noonkester
Department of Music
Lander University
320 Stanley Avenue
Greenwood, SC 29649

You may also copy and paste this form
into an email to: lnoonkes@lander.edu.

