

Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra Emerging Musicians Fellowship 2027-2028 (Cohort 6)

Oboe

First Round (video audition – in one take in the following order)

BRAHMS Violin Concerto Mvt 2 – 1st Oboe

MUSSORGSKY Pictures at an Exhibition Mvt 3: Tuileries – 1st Oboe

Up to 3-minute segment from an unaccompanied standard repertoire piece e.g. Britten Six Metamorphoses, Telemann Flute Fantasias, or equivalent

Second Round (including excerpts from the first round)

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV Scheherazade Mvt 2 – 1st Oboe

DEBUSSY La Mer Mvt 2: Jeux de vagues – 1st Oboe

TCHAIKOVSKY Symphony No. 4 Mvt 2 – 1st Oboe

MUSSORGSKY Pictures at an Exhibition Mvt 5: Ballet
des Poussins dans leurs Coques* - 2nd Oboe

Mozart Oboe Quartet in F K.370 Mvt 1 exposition and development (with provided accompanist)

Sightreading may be given

NB: A=440

Please prepare sections marked in brackets [] where indicated. If no brackets are marked, please prepare entire excerpt.

*to be played alongside RLPO Musician

What we expect from the orchestral excerpts...

Attention to pitch and rhythm are essential. Additionally, each excerpt has got a short "Guidance Note" which highlights a specific musical detail that the panel is looking for in that extract.

Applicants are encouraged to listen to different recordings of the pieces to understand suitable tempos and musical details; your performance should reflect an understanding of how your part fits with the rest of the orchestra and the excerpt into the piece overall.

BRAHMSViolin Concerto Mvt 2 – 1st Oboe

Guidance notes: "Think about phrasing within the overall line, and keep in mind the other instruments playing at this point"

4 Oboe I

Adagio

[Fag. Tutti Hr. (Solo) *p dolce*

8

13 Ob. II *p* *dim.*

20 *p*

28 *mf* *p* Solo]

MUSSORGSKY

Pictures at an Exhibition Mvt 3: Tuileries – 1st Oboe

Guidance notes: "Pace the crescendo but make sure to make the dynamics at both ends extreme!"

III. Tuileries

Allegretto non troppo, capriccioso

The musical score for the 1st Oboe part of 'III. Tuileries' by Mussorgsky is presented in five systems. The key signature is G major (one sharp) and the time signature is 3/4. The tempo and mood are indicated as 'Allegretto non troppo, capriccioso'. The score begins with a large bracket on the left. The first system starts with a dynamic of *p* (piano). The second system continues the melody. The third system has a measure marked '34' and a dynamic change to *mf* (mezzo-forte). The fourth system has a measure marked *ff* (fortissimo) and a dynamic change to *p* (piano). The fifth system ends with a large bracket on the right.

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV

Scheherazade Mvt 2 – 1st Oboe

Guidance notes: "Bring out the difference between solo and tutti playing, and tell the story"

Lento. Recit. Andantino.

Viol. Cad. 20 rit. dolce ed espressivo assai

espress. molto

ten. B poco più mosso 21

C a tempo, un poco più animato

f p f Solo

più tranqu. dolce

4 Solo p

accel. cresc.

rit. D Allegro

DEBUSSYLa Mer Mvt 2: Jeux de vagues – 1st Oboe

Guidance notes: "Focus on keeping this supple - it needs to be absolutely rhythmic without sounding it"

N° 2 – Jeux de vagues

Allegro (dans un rythme très souple) **16** **Animé** Fl. **17** **HAUTB. Solo**

8 7 p Fl. p HAUTB. Solo p p p p

TCHAIKOVSKYSymphony No. 4 Mvt 2 – 1st Oboe

Guidance notes: "Articulation and phrasing should be used thoughtfully to contribute to the emotion of this solo"

Andantino in modo di canzona Solo

p semplice, ma graziosa 9 18

MUSSORGSKY

Pictures at an Exhibition Mvt 5 : 5th movement (Ballet des Poussins dans leurs Coques)* - 2nd Oboe

Guidance notes: "As short and as quiet as possible. This is supposed to be funny!"

V. Ballet des Poussins dans leurs Coques

Scherzino. Vivo leggiero

48 *pp*

49

50 *cresc.*

51

52 *ff*

*to be played alongside RLPO Musician