



The General Director of the Slovak State Philharmonic Košice
is accepting applications for the audition for the position of

CONCERTMASTER OF A CELLO GROUP

Date, time: **6th FEBRUARY 2026 at 10:00 a.m.**

Place of audition: **Dom umenia, Moyzesova 66, Košice, Slovakia**

1st ROUND OF AUDITION:

a) Solo repertoire:

J. S. BACH: Cello Suite No. 5 – Praeludium (BWV 1011)

HAYDN: Concerto for Violoncello and Orchestra in D major – **exposition of the 1st Movement**

b) Orchestral excerpts:

STRAUSS: Don Juan, symphonic poem

SMETANA: My Country – Vyšehrad

2nd ROUND OF THE AUDITION:

a) Solo repertoire:

1/ HAYDN: Cello Concerto in D major – **1st and 2nd Movement including cadenzas**

2/ One of the following composition:

DVOŘÁK: Concerto for Cello and Orchestra in B minor – **1st and 2nd Movement**

SCHUMANN: Concerto for Cello and Orchestra in A minor – **1st and 2nd Movement**

ČAJKOVSKIJ: Rococo Variations – **complete**

b) Orchestral solos:

BRAHMS: Concerto for Piano and Orchestra No. 2

ROSSINI: William Tell

SUPPÉ: Poet and Peasant

HAYDN: Paukenmesse

RIMSKY-KORSAKOV: Scheherazade

VERDI: Don Carlo – Aria of King Philip

c) Orchestral excerpts:

SMETANA: The Bartered Bride – Overture

BEETHOVEN: Symphony No. 5 in C minor – 2nd and 3rd Movement

TCHAIKOVSKY: Symphony No. 6 in B minor – 2nd Movement

DVOŘÁK: Symphony No. 8 in G major – 1st Movement

All orchestral excerpts are available for download on the website <https://www.sfk.sk/konkurzy>

Please send your applications, along with a CV, contact information, and consent to the processing of personal data, by email to konkurz@sfk.sk or by mail to the following address: Slovak State Philharmonic Košice, Moyzesova 66, 040 01 Košice, Slovak Republic.

THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 25th JANUARY 2026. Upon receiving the application, the Slovak State Philharmonic Košice will assess whether the applicant meets the conditions for being invited to the audition and will promptly inform the applicant of its decision.

Piano accompaniment in concertos is mandatory. The audition application must include information on whether the applicant requests the Slovak State Philharmonic Košice to provide a piano accompanist or if they will arrange their own accompanist. **If the applicant requests an accompanist from the Slovak State Philharmonic Košice, they must include information about their chosen solo piece for the second round along with the application** (and, if requested, a scan/copy of the piano parts). The audition repertoire may be performed from sheet music.

The Slovak State Philharmonic Košice offers the following:

- Salary based on Act no. 553/2003 Coll. on the remuneration of certain employees in the performance of work in the public interest and on the amendment of specific laws, depending on the experience achieved.
- Six weeks of vacation.
- Food allowance and other benefits according to the Collective Agreement.

Košice, 18th November 2025

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