

Principal Contrabassoon

RECORDED AUDITION REQUIREMENTS



New Zealand
Symphony
Orchestra

Te Tira Pūoro
o Aotearoa

Only recordings that adhere to the following requirements will be accepted:

- Audition recordings must be video and audio
- Auditions must be recorded unaccompanied. Please tune to A440
- Auditions must be recorded on the same day, in the same venue, and be recorded within the last 2 months
- You are required to play both the Bassoon and Contrabassoon for the audition
- Record the audition material in six blocks, each block recorded in **one unedited single take without cuts, substitutions or effects**, in the order below.
 - **Block A: Round One (Bassoon)**
 - Solo Rep: 01 | WA Mozart | Bassoon Concerto
Movement 1, exposition to bar 98
 - **Block B: Round One (Contrabassoon)**
 - Excerpts 2-4
 - **Block C: Round Two (Bassoon)**
 - Excerpts 5-6
 - **Block D: Round Two (Contrabassoon)**
 - Excerpts 7-13
 - **Block E: Round Three (Bassoon)**
 - Excerpts 14-15
 - **Block F: Round Three (Contrabassoon)**
 - Excerpts 16-19
- **Timestamps: Submissions must provide the start time and title of each individual excerpt.**
- Each block must be submitted in a separate file
- We recommend using a high-quality microphone in a professional recording environment
- Video files must be in a .mp4, .mov, .mpg or .avi format

RECORDING DECLARATION

You are required to submit the provided recording declaration.

SUBMISSION OF MATERIALS

The Auditions Coordinator will send you a Dropbox link for you to submit your audition materials.

To complete your application, upload the following materials by **Tuesday 16 June 2026**;

1. your audition recordings (*please adhere to the above recording requirements*)
2. your completed and signed recording declaration form
3. your CV (*please keep to 1-2 pages*)

FURTHER INFORMATION

The successful candidate/s will be invited to play for a trial period with the orchestra. You will be notified of the results by **Wednesday 24 June 2026**.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at auditions@nzso.co.nz