

# Hope College

## Music Department Student Degree Recital Attendance Policies & Procedures for COVID-19

Hope College welcomes the ability to safely host attendees at our Music Department's student degree recitals during the COVID-19 pandemic. The policies and procedures detailed in this document have been developed to ensure the safety of all students, employees, the greater Holland and Hope College communities, as well as any others in attendance at the event. They are guided by direction from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA), Ottawa County Department of Public Health (OCDPH), and other relevant Hope College policies and procedures.

***Hope College reserves the sole and final right to refuse entry or disqualify from attendance any person that does not comply with these policies/procedures or the direction of a Hope College representative. Any person who refuses to comply or is otherwise disqualified from attendance may be refused entry to future Hope College events.***

### Availability of Attendance

- Only student degree recitals taking place in either the concert hall or the John and Dede Howard Recital Hall of the Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts are eligible for attendance under these parameters.
- The single student being featured will be allowed up to 10 family members or friends in attendance.
- Attendance is not available for those associated with any students or employees/volunteers assisting the featured student.
- Up to three (3) Music Department faculty members may be present.
- The maximum number of non-performer attendees (family/friends + faculty) will be 13.
- A named faculty member will be designated as the organizer overseeing the event. This person is responsible for ensuring that all aspects of these policies and procedures are adhered to.
- Prior to their recital, the student will submit the names of up to 10 family members or friends to the named faculty member that is overseeing the recital. The faculty member will ensure that only those family/friends listed will be admitted.
- All admittance will be free of charge.

### Event Procedures

- Admittance to the Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts will be available to designated attendees no more than 10 minutes prior to the start of the recital.
- Hope College will ensure that all notices and signage required by [MIOSHA Emergency Rules](#) are properly posted.

- All non-student family and friends will enter and exit through the northwest doors of the Jack H. Miller Center for Musical Arts (the corner of 9th St and Columbia Ave). The faculty member overseeing the recital (or their designee) will open those doors for the family members. The doors should remain locked at all times.
- Upon entering the building through the northwest doors, non-student family and friends will immediately proceed into either the concert hall or the John and Dede Howard Recital Hall. Each person will be verified against the names of eligible attendees provided for that event. Proof of identification may be required.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided at the entrance. All attendees are asked to sanitize their hands upon entry.
- Each attendee will be given sanitizing wipe packets and are expected to clean the hard surfaces of their seat before and after the recital. Upon use, the wipes will immediately be placed in trash containers located within the room.
- Individual seats will be marked throughout the room, with each marked seat no less than 6 feet from another. Unmarked seats cannot be used. No person in attendance will sit within 6 feet of any other person, even if they are members of the same household.
- Attendees will occupy only the designated seating within the room. Any non-fixed seating will not be moved.
- If singing is taking place, no attendee will be within 12 feet of anyone that is singing.
- With the exception of restroom use, an attendee must remain at a marked seat throughout the recital. Standing is not permitted.
- During the recital, compliance with this policy will be actively and continually monitored by the named Hope College faculty member overseeing the recital.

### Food and Drink

- No food or drink is permitted in the building, including items brought from outside.

### Face Coverings

- A properly worn face mask consisting of tightly woven cloth or other multilayer absorbent material that closely covers an individual's mouth and nose must be utilized by all individuals at all times while in the building. With the exception of the medical intolerance situation detailed below, face shields may be worn in addition to, but not as a substitute for, a face mask.
- In the event a non-student attendee indicates they cannot medically tolerate a face mask, a properly worn face shield completely covering the eyes, nose, and mouth may be utilized.
- For student attendees, only those with a fully approved accommodation request from Hope College Disability and Accessibility Resources (DAR) will be permitted to wear a face shield instead of a mask. The face shield must completely cover the eyes, nose, and mouth.
- With the sole exception of performers who are unable to wear a face covering while performing, under no circumstance will any individual in attendance be present without either a face mask or a face shield that completely meets these requirements. For

situations where the performer is unable to wear a face covering, the required mask/shield will be removed immediately prior to the performance and will return promptly at the conclusion.

- While Hope College will not question the ability of an individual to tolerate a face mask, Hope College reserves the sole right to determine whether a particular face mask or face shield is being worn properly or meets the necessary requirements for attendance. Those who cannot or will not meet the requirements will leave the building immediately.

#### Post-Event

- At the conclusion of the recital, attendees will wipe down the hard surfaces of all seats that were used and dispose of used wipes in a trash container.
- All non-student family and friends will immediately exit the building at the conclusion of the recital via the same doors used to enter.
- After the recital has finished, non-student family and friends will not interact with performers, faculty, students or any others in attendance and will immediately leave the building. In order to limit contact and the potential need to quarantine, gathering off campus afterward is discouraged.

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