

May 5, 2017

Dear String Intensive Participant,



# STRING INTENSIVE

*Orchestra Project* is right around the corner and we are so excited you are joining us for this innovative and artistically challenging summer camp! Enclosed you will find detailed information about all your time spent with us.

## **Music**

It is crucial that you come as prepared as possible on both your orchestra and chamber repertoire – we only have a week together. You must have diligently prepared your music by the time camp starts. Please bring the music to your private teacher for extra help, fingerings, etc. Visit the Intensive Current Camper page to access all your music and recordings (posted by the end of May).

## **Schedule – String Intensive**

### **Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> schedule**

Check-in/orientation/ reading rehearsal

**12:30-1:30pm: DORM** Check-in for **resident campers only**

(check resident camper page for complete details)

**2:00pm:** Camp registration for **all** Orchestra Intensive students at Singleton Center for Performing Arts on campus of VCU (922 Park Ave. Richmond, VA 23220)

*Make sure to bring your instrument and music to orientation!*

**2:30pm** Orientation Meeting (parents need to attend) *Parents are free to leave at 3pm.*

**3-5pm** Chamber & orchestra rehearsals

**5pm:** Student dismissal in Singleton Center Lobby (no carpool on Sunday)

### **String Intensive Daily Schedule: Monday – Thursday**

8:45-8:55am Arrival

9:00-11:00am Orchestra Rehearsal

11:00-12:00pm Workshop

12:00-1:00pm Lunch (VCU dining center or brown bag)

1:00-2:00pm Sectional or Orchestra Rehearsal

2:15-3:45pm Chamber Music

3:45-5:00pm Recreation

5:00pm Dismissal (Car Pool line behind the Singleton Center)

### **Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup> Schedule**

8:45-8:55am Arrival

9:00-10:45am Orchestra Rehearsal

11:00-12:00pm Chamber Dress Rehearsal

12:00-1:00pm Lunch (VCU dining center or brown bag)

1:00-1:30pm Chamber Warm-up

1:30-3:15pm Chamber Concert (Recital Hall)

3:30pm Final Camp Meeting

4:00-6:00pm Ice Cream Social

6:00pm Dismissal (Car Pool line behind the Singleton Center)

### **Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> Schedule for all participants**

10-10:45am Resident Campers eat @ Dorm (food provided)

11:00-12:00pm Dorm Check-out @ Brandt Hall (*Parents will be responsible for getting their child to Singleton by 12:30pm after dorm check-out.*)

12-12:25pm Carpool line will open for day campers (day campers need to eat lunch before they arrive)

12:30pm Call time ALL students @ Singleton Center

1-2:45pm Concert

3pm Dismissal in lobby

## What to Bring (daily)

Instrument	Extra Strings & Rosin
Folding Music Stand (clearly marked w/ Student's Name)	Rockstop & bass stool
Pencils	Light Snack
Music	Water Bottle

**Other (if needed or optional):** Daily medication (if needed), spending money for lunch, brown bag lunch, camera, etc.

## Saturday Afternoon Performance

A closing String Odyssey and String Intensive performance will feature the three orchestras at camp on **Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 1pm** in the Singleton Center for Performing Arts at VCU. Families will be able to purchase a CD of the performance in the lobby prior to the concert. *String Intensive chamber ensembles will present a performance on Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm in the Recital Hall – Black Music Center.*

## Lessons

One 60-minute private lesson is included in the String Intensive tuition. Student's lesson time will take place during the week and is outlined on their personalized schedule they will receive at check-in. An intern will help ensure everyone makes it to their lesson on time but all students will be responsible for keeping track of the time on their lesson day.

## Location

**VCU Singleton Center for Performing Arts**  
**922 Park Ave, Richmond Virginia 23220**

**VCU Black Music Center**  
**1015 Grove Ave. Richmond, VA 23220**

Students will be accompanied by an *Orchestra Project* staff person when moving between buildings.

## Drop-off / Pick-up for Day Campers

Daily carpool drop-off and pick-up will take place at the courtyard located directly behind the Singleton Center beginning on Monday. Students may arrive to camp each day beginning at 8:45am. Absolutely NO early drop-off. Classes will begin promptly at 9am. Day campers will be dismissed at 5pm- please be on time for pick-up. A parent must sign-out their child each day. Student drivers will be responsible for signing themselves out each day. More details about Drop-off and pick-up will be explained at the Sunday orientation. Parent/legal guardian must be present for orientation meeting. If you are interested in carpooling with another student, please read the student information spreadsheet (emailed closer to camp)

## Parking

- Limited, free street parking is available. On Saturdays & Sundays, there are no restrictions for parking in the Fan...just keep in mind that it may take you a few minutes to find a space. Be prepared to walk a couple of blocks.
- Parking also available 24/7 at the West Broad Parking deck located at Broad & Harrison (1111 W. Broad St. – across from Siegel Center) Cost: \$1 for the first hour and \$2 per hour for each additional hour for a maximum rate of \$10 per day. Credit/debit cards, RamBucks and cash are accepted. If you need to pay with cash please use the pay stations located near the elevators.
- **Student Drivers** should park in the West Broad parking deck during the week (located at Harrison and Broad St.) – the fee is \$10 per day.

## Medical & Other important Forms (required)

Orchestra Project requires FOUR ONLINE forms to be completed and submitted BEFORE orientation day from every student. Check out the required online forms page for complete details.

No student will be able to participate without a completed set of forms on file! Medications are to be submitted to camp directors at orientation on June 25<sup>th</sup> – please submit LABELED medication in zip lock bag.

## Meals

Participants may bring a lunch or purchase lunch at the VCU Shafer Court Dining Center (ALL meals are included in resident camper tuition). The VCU Dining Center is a buffet style state of the art gourmet facility with lots of choices. The cost is \$11.75 for lunch. More info on Menu Choices can be found at

<https://vcu.campusdish.com/Locations/Market810.aspx>

## Recreation

Recreation will take place Monday-Thursday from 3:45-5pm at the VCU Cary Street Gym. Students **must** wear appropriate attire to the gym which includes athletic shoes. Orchestra Project counselors will oversee students while at the gym. Participants will have an option of several different activities at the gym each day (2 of the 4 days will include a swimming option – more details on which days will be given at orientation). **To participate in activities at the gym, students must wear athletic shoes – a student wearing sandals will not be allowed to participate.**

## What to wear

**Daily Clothing:** Casual clothing that is appropriate for the weather expected each day. Tee shirts must reflect good taste. Bring comfortable shoes. Appropriate shoes must be worn or brought to wear at the gym. The VCU buildings can get quite chilly with the AC – **you are advised to bring a sweater.**

**Concert Dress: Friday afternoon chamber concert:** camp t-shirt (students will receive at orientation) and shorts (appropriate in length or pants). **Saturday afternoon orchestra concert:** White tops, black bottoms & black shoes dark socks or nylons. No open toed shoes. NO jeans, tee shirts, sneakers, or flip-flops.

## Resident Campers

Complete details about check-in/out, packing list, counselors, etc. is located on the resident camper page – please read through all the information carefully!

## Important Contact Information

If you need to reach an *Orchestra Project* staff member or your child during camp hours please call the OP Line at **804-326-4390**. This number will only be in use the week of camp, prior to camp please call the office phone number listed below. You may also email [orchestraprojectrva@gmail.com](mailto:orchestraprojectrva@gmail.com) **Please note:** if you call the office numbers you will NOT be able to reach us. Our staff will not have office hours the week of camp.

Questions? Please contact us! [orchestraprojectrva@gmail.com](mailto:orchestraprojectrva@gmail.com) or (804) 788-4717 x 144.

We look forward to seeing you on June 25<sup>th</sup>! ☺

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## **Directions to W.E. Singleton Center for the Performing Arts**

922 Park Ave.

Richmond, VA 23220

### **Traveling I-64 West to VCU**

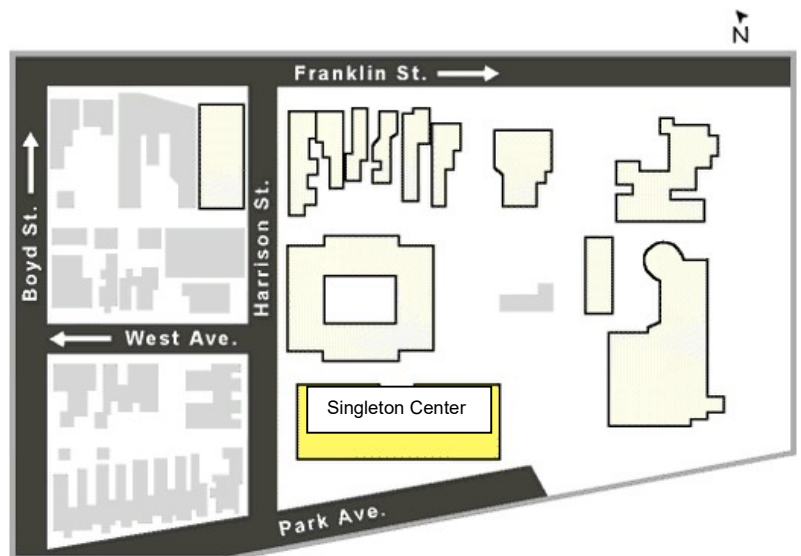
1. Take Exit #190 for Fifth Street and Downtown/Coliseum.
2. Turn right at the eighth traffic light, onto West Main Street.
3. Follow West Main Street for about 13 blocks to Harrison Street (turn right).
4. Go about 2 blocks to Park Ave. (turn right).
5. VCU W. E. Singleton Center for the Performing Arts will be on your left (922 Park Ave.)

### **Traveling I-95 South to VCU**

1. Take Exit #79 to right towards Powhite Parkway (Route I-195). Bear left off the ramp onto I-195.
2. Take the exit for Hamilton and Broad Streets.
3. Follow North Hamilton Street to Monument Avenue (second left) and turn left.
4. Follow Monument Avenue east; its name will change to Franklin Street.
5. Follow Franklin Street to North Harrison Street (turn right);
6. At the first stop light turn left onto Park Ave.  
The Singleton Center for the Performing Arts will be on your left

### **Traveling I-64 East to VCU**

1. Take Exit #186 towards the Powhite Parkway.
2. Take the exit for Hamilton and Broad streets.
3. Follow North Hamilton Street to Monument Avenue (second left) and turn left.
4. Follow Monument Avenue east; its name will change to Franklin Street.
5. Follow Franklin Street to North Harrison Street (turn right).
6. At the first stop light turn left onto Park Ave.  
The Singleton Center for the Performing Arts will be on your left



### **Traveling I-95 North to VCU**

1. Take Exit #74A onto Downtown Expressway, I-195 (The exit ramp is actually on the James River Bridge).
2. Drive 1/2 mile, take exit for Belvidere Street (U.S. #1 & # 301). The exit will put you on Canal St.
3. Canal Street will turn into Cumberland St after you cross Belvidere.
4. Go 5 blocks on Cumberland St.
5. Turn right on Harrison Street.
6. Go about 5 blocks to Park Ave. (turn right). The Singleton Center for the Performing Arts will be on your left