

Pre-Conservatory Violin Program

2025-26 Academic Year

AUDITION INFORMATION

Pre-Conservatory Violin Program (PCVP) auditions will be in person
Thursday August 21, 2025 5:30-8:00 pm
Peabody Downtown Campus

Audition Requirements

** Playing at the stated repertoire level does not ensure acceptance.

1. Scales (3 octaves)

- Major scales, all keys, slur 2-24 per bow legato, quarter=70
- Above scales in spiccato, 1 bow per note, 16th notes, quarter = 72
- C Major scale in sautillé, 2 bows per note; 1 bow per note
- Melodic minor scales in all keys, slur 2-12 per bow legato, quarter=70
- Flesch arpeggio series, all keys, slur 9 (12 for diminished/dominant)
- Double Stops: Thirds and Octaves in choice of three keys, two octaves, slur two

2. Repertoire

- One fast movement of a major concerto
- One contrasting piece
- One movement of a solo Bach Sonata or Partita

3. Sight reading

4. Interview

Audition Accompanist

The PCVP pianist, Dr. Hsiao-Ying Lin, will be available to play for PCVP auditions, which will be paid for by Peabody. Peabody will also pay for one 30-minute rehearsal. Students should contact Dr. Lin directly to arrange the rehearsal. Students wishing a longer rehearsal should make financial arrangements directly with Dr. Lin.

Name: Dr. Hsiao-Ying Lin Email: hlin32@jhmi.edu

An accompanist is required for PCVP auditions. Students may bring and pay for their own pianist however we encourage students who are auditioning to play with the PCVP pianist.

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Private Lessons

NEW Preparatory students: Register for Private Lessons in ASAP

If you need a teacher placement for Private Lessons, Register for Private Lessons and note that you need a teacher placement. You will have an opportunity to indicate your scheduling availability in the Inquiry Form. Your PCVP Audition will serve as your placement interview, so you do not need to schedule a separate placement interview. The Chair of the String Department will assist you with the teacher placement and may be in touch with you prior to audition weekend.

Continuing Preparatory Students:

Register for a PCVP audition, for Private Lessons with your teacher, and for a PYO audition (held in June)

Performance Academy Chamber Music and Orchestra

Students accepted into PCVP must also enroll in Academy Chamber Music and/or Peabody Youth Orchestra (*cost is not included in PCVP tuition per semester). We encourage students to participate in both.

Note:

- Students who audition for PCVP will automatically be considered for the Performance Academy Strings and do not need a separate audition for the Performance Academy or Performance Academy Chamber Music.
- Those accepted into PCVP will receive a link to register for PA Chamber Music.
- PCVP and PA students participating in orchestra must schedule an orchestra audition each year. Orchestra auditions are in June. New students should contact Ensembles director, Mr. Eli Wirth (ewirth1@jhu.edu) regarding August auditions.
- Returning PCVP students do not need to re-audition for PCVP.

For registration and administrative questions, please contact the Preparatory Office at prep@peabody.jhu.edu or call 667-208-6640

For musical and audition related questions, please contact Dr. Diana Sánchez,
PCVP Assistant, at dsanch22@jh.edu