COVID-19 High Level of Transmission Guidelines for Degree Recitals
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The following policies will be in place under the University of Utah High Level of Transmission for COVID-19: https://coronavirus.utah.edu/ Our first and foremost concern is your safety. Our second priority is to provide an outstanding education in music that provides an effective path to graduation. The School of Music safety plan can be found at: https://music.utah.edu/news/returntocampus-1.php

Guidelines for Degree Recitals

• Spring 2021 recitals must be completed before April 27, 2021.
• All degree recitals must take place at the School of Music and they must follow all safety measures required by the School of Music. No off-campus degree recitals will be approved for Spring 2021.
• Recitals cannot go over 1 hour in length. There is a mandatory 30-minute air-exchange period between recitals.
• During Spring 2021, degree recitals are live-streamed only. No live audiences are allowed at student degree recitals, except for 1) a student’s instructor(s), 2) members of a student’s Graduate Supervisory Committee, and 3) video-streaming staff.
• No more than a total of 10 people are allowed in the recital space, and everyone in the space must wear a mask and observe all safety precautions required by the University.
• Safety Guidelines for all musicians performing in degree recitals
  1. All musicians bring their own music stands.
  2. Wash your hands before entering the recital hall.
  3. Wear a mask and maintain at least 6 feet of physical distancing as you enter and exit the recital hall.
  4. Use a disinfecting wipe to wipe down keyboard keys, and piano bench knobs. Avoid wiping finished wood surfaces on pianos and benches. Hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes are stationed in the performance halls.
  5. Wash your hands after exiting the recital hall. In general, practice good hygiene –wash your hands frequently, carry hand sanitizer if possible, and try not to touch your face.
  6. Face Coverings: Unmasking is only allowed for a single individual (the student recitalist) during the limited duration of the recital performance (not during rehearsals; nor during prior, prep, break, or post performance). All other performers playing in a recital must wear a mask throughout rehearsals, dress rehearsals, warm-up and recital performance.
    Specialized masks and bell covers for singers and wind players:
    a. Voice: Wear customized face covering for singers.
    b. Flute/ Piccolo: Wear customized face covering for flutists.
    c. Oboe/ Clarinet/ Saxophone/ Bassoon: Wear mask with small slit for mouthpiece or bocal. Place MERV13 filter material over bell with hair tie/rubber band.
d. Trumpet/ Trombone/ Baritone/ Euphonium/ Tuba: Wear mask with small slit for mouthpiece. Place MERV13 filter material over bell with hair tie/rubber band. To empty water keys use Puppy Training Pads or another condensation collection vessel.
e. French Horn: Wear mask with small slit for mouthpiece. Place MERV13 filter material over bell with hair tie/rubber band and cut a slit to insert hand into the bell. To empty water keys use Puppy Training Pads or another condensation collection vessel.
f. All participants must switch to unmodified masks immediately upon completion of rehearsal/performance.

7. Physical Distancing requirements
   a. For unmasked performer:
      Unmasked performer must maintain at least 12 feet between themselves and all other performers.
   b. For voice and wind instrument performers:
      If voice/wind performers are performing with masks, 10 feet must be maintained between each voice/wind performer and all other performers.
   c. For other masked instrumental performers:
      Performer must maintain at least 6 feet between themselves and all other performers.

8. Recitals involving an unmasked performer may only be held in Libby Gardner Hall.

9. The unmasked performer is strongly encouraged to get a covid-19 test [url=https://alert.utah.edu/covid-19-testing/]two (2) days before their recital, and to avoid any situation that may expose them to covid-19 and endanger other musicians participating in the recital, especially during the days leading up to the recital.

Exceptions to these safety guidelines will be considered on a case by case basis only. To request an exception, please contact Claudia Horton claudia.horton@utah.edu at least two weeks in advance of the scheduled recital date.

The instructor of record for the recital of the student performing the degree recital is the responsible faculty member (who needs to sign below) and must ensure that the safety guidelines listed above are observed. The degree recital is subject to immediate cancellation if these guidelines are not followed by a (student or non-student) musician performing in the student’s degree recital.

I have read and understood the guidelines listed above.

________________________________________________________________________
Degree Recital Student Signature Date Print Your Full Name

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Degree Recital Instructor of Record Date Print the Name of Private Instructor

Please return the signed form to Claudia Horton Claudia.Horton@utah.edu at least one week before the scheduled date of the recital.