Hayes School of Music Concert Program Guidelines

Titles of Selections on the Program

Type: **Bold**

In English: Capitalize the *first word and all major words*, including Major and Minor.
- **Trio Sonata in G Minor**

In French: Capitalize *through the first noun*, and use lower case after that.
- **La Sacre du printemps**

In Italian and Spanish: Capitalize the *first word only* (along with proper names, if any).
- **Le nozze de Figaro**
- **El sombrero de tres picos**

In German: Capitalize the *first word and all nouns*.
- **Die schöne Müllerin**

Include all relevant data, including Opus, Number, and key:
- **Trio No. 5 in E-flat Major**
- **Symphony No. 3 in E-flat Major, Op. 55, “Eroica”**
- **Sonata in B Minor, BWV 1030**
- **Trio in E-flat Major for Violin, Cello, and Piano, Op. 1, No. 1**

Spell out the word “flat” in key signatures; do not substitute the lower-case letter “b” as a makeshift flat sign. Likewise, spell out the word “sharp” rather than substituting the # sign.

Simple catalog abbreviations such as K. (Koechel) and S. (Schmieder) should be followed by a period, but longer ones such as BWV (Bach-Werke-Verzeichnis) and BuxWV (Buxtehude-Werke-Verzeichnis) are generally given without one.

Op. (‘opus” and No. (‘number”) should be capitalized.

Generic titles (Sonata, Sonatina, Concerto, Trio, Quintet, Symphony, etc.) should be given *in English*.

**Sextet for Piano and Winds** rather than **Sextuor for Piano and Winds**

Non-generic titles should be in **bold italic print**.

- **Le Sacre du printemps (The Rite of Spring)**
- **“Una furtive lagrima” from L’elisir d’amore (The Elixir of Love)**
- **And God Created Great Whales**

It is usually best to include translations after titles or non-standard movement designations.
- **Munter (Lively)**
Put song and aria titles in quotation marks for selections from a larger work.

“Belle nuit d’amour” from Les contes d’Hoffmann (The Tales of Hoffman)

For free-standing songs, no quotation marks are necessary.

Der Hirt auf dem Felsen (The Shepherd on the Rock)

Always include the diacritical markings: umlauts, accents, cedillas etc. These are part of the spelling (which would be incorrect without them).

Francois-René Gebauer
Eugène Bozza
Béla Bartók
Bohuslav Martinů
Die schöne Müllerin

**Dates of Works**

Type: Regular

You may include the date of composition in parentheses directly following the title if you wish.

*Contrasts* (1938)

**Composers’ Names**

Type: Bold

Spell out composers’ names. Do not use initials, even if you think the composer’s name is too long to fit on the same line as the title (Ex. Jacques-Martin Hotteterre “le Romain”). If the title and the composer combined are too long to fit on the same line, put the composer’s name on the next lower line.


Reginald Bain
Movement Titles
Type: *Italics*
If you are performing *all* the movements or *all* the individual songs within a work, it is not necessary to indicate the movement numerals, but you may do so if you wish. If you are performing *some*, but not all, of the movements, then do include the movement numeral (we use Roman numerals for this).

**Concerto in D Major, Op. 61**

II. Larghetto
III. Rondo: Allegro

Capitalization in movement titles follows the rules of the language itself.

I. Allegro moderato
II. Andantino grazioso
III. Minuetto: Allegro

Why is the “Allegro portion of “Minuetto: Allegro” capitalized, when “moderato” and “grazioso” are not? It is because “moderato” and “grazioso” in these titles function as adjectives, whereas the third movement essentially has two titles: the dance (Minuetto) and the tempo (Allegro).

Punctuation within movement titles: Use a colon to combine a dance movement or the Finale with a tempo designation.

Minuetto: Allegro
Rondo: Allegro
Finale: Allegro con spirit

Use a dash to separate two or more distinct sections within a movement.

Adagio—Allegro
Adagio—Allegro con spirit—Adagio
Composers’ Dates
Type: Regular
For living composers, give birth year.
   (b. 1944)
For composers with approximate dates, use c. (“circa”) in italics.
   (c. 1505-1585)
For composers with a date of death only, use the following format.
   (d. c. 1502)
Sometimes, fl. (floruit; “flourished”) is used.
   (fl. Early 17th century)

Arrangers’ and Transcribers’ Names
Type: Regular
The arranger’s or transcriber’s name, when present, is given directly underneath the composer’s
dates and can be listed either as
   “arranged by” or simply “arr.”
   “transcribed by” or simply “trans.”

   Tomaso Albinoni
   (1671-1751)
   arr. Douglas Yeo

If you are performing a special edition of the work and wish to acknowledge the editor, use the
abbreviation “ed.” in the same way you would cite an arranger.

Note: Music publishers are not always as attentive to detail or as consistent as they should be, so
you might find that the capitalization and punctuation appear differently in your sheet music.
Please use these guidelines here, which reflect standard practices among professional ensemble
and scholarly music journals in the U.S.