

HSPVA Music Department



2017-2018

Senior Recital Handbook

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HSPVA Fine Arts Certificate

HSPVA seniors who are on track for graduation are eligible to present a senior recital as part of the requirements to receive the HSPVA Fine Arts Certificate upon graduation.

Additional criteria for receiving the certificate are:

1. A Student must have been enrolled in the Music Department for their entire Junior and Senior year. (Exception: If the student spends one semester/year studying abroad. However, the student still must have been in the department for two years.)
2. The student must have a minimum average of 80 in the music class
3. The student must have passed two years of Music Theory and one year of Music History. (Exception: If the student tested out of these classes and was granted exemption)
4. The student must be in good standing in all performing ensembles. Any senior dismissed from a performing ensemble because of discipline or attendance problems will not be eligible to present a recital or receive the HSPVA Fine Arts Certificate.
5. If applicable, the student must have met all requirements of a prescribed growth plan.
6. The student must have acceptable attendance and punctuality in all art area and academic classes during the senior year.
7. The student must have a minimum conduct grade of Acceptable in all classes, must behave appropriately on field trips, may not commit multiple infractions of level one or two, or any level three, four or five offenses as defined by the HISD Code of Student Conduct. Any senior suspended from school for any reason will forfeit the recital and the fine arts certificate.
8. The student must meet all HISD/State of Texas requirements for graduation. This includes any special requirements for graduation mandated by the HSPVA Administration.

Reminders

1. Any senior who has received more than three grades (total) below 70 in the six weeks grading periods during the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades is not eligible to receive the fine arts certificate. However, the student may still present a senior recital if he or she meets all of the other criteria.
2. If a senior misses a major concert with his/her ensemble because of a performance with an outside group, he/she will forfeit the fine arts certificate and possibly the senior recital.
3. The last day to schedule a senior recital or to get a project approved is Friday, December 8, 2017.
4. Your ensemble directors have pre-selected dates for recital presentations and will give those dates to you. You are expected to confer with your parents and check your calendars before requesting a recital date.

Senior Recital

1. To present a recital, the student must meet all requirements and deadlines established by the Major Area Director.
2. Both Instrumental and Vocal Majors will be provided with any additional requirements that are specific to their specialty.
3. The music faculty must approve all recital repertoire as well as all accompanists or ensemble members. Ensemble members and accompanists must be able to attend your rehearsal.
4. Student must attend all classes on the day of a senior recital. Academic teachers and the attendance office are adamant about your being in class on the day of any performance.
5. Make plans for hair, clothes, accompanists, programs, all music, etc. ... well in advance of the day of the recital.

6. A student may choose to do a major project in lieu of a recital. The student's ensemble faculty advisor must approve the project as it must be relevant to the student's field of study.
7. The student must receive a minimum grade of 80 on the recital or project.

Vocal Music Faculty

Ms. Pat Bonner..... Vocal Music Chair
Ms. Julia Hall Director of Vocal Studies
Mr. Shannon Carter..... Director of Choral Studies

Instrumental Music Faculty

Mr. Stephen Crawford.....Instrumental Music Chair and Director of Bands
Mr. William HoffmanDirector of Mariachi Studies
Mr. Rodolfo Morales..... Director of Classical Piano
Dr. Brad Smith Director of Orchestras and String Chamber Music
Mr. Warren Sneed Director of Jazz Studies
Ms. Shanta Childers Music Theory
Ms. Dorothy Patel Handbells