



adelaide symphony orchestra

JOB DESCRIPTION & GENERAL INFORMATION

POSITION TITLE: Associate Principal, Percussion/Timpani

This position is only open to applicants who are Australian or New Zealand citizens or have Australian residency status.

REMUNERATION:

A salary package of AUS \$ 81,683 per annum plus superannuation and other allowances currently applies (Musicians Agreement 2017-2019). Any changes to salary will be reflected based on the appropriate Musicians Agreement as appropriate. The ASO also offers a generous instrument insurance scheme.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Interested applicants must apply by sending a curriculum vitae (CV) providing details of professional orchestral experience:

- Via email to employment@aso.com.au

For specific enquiries, please contact Shivani Marx, Chief Operating Officer at marxs@aso.com.au or visit our website: <http://www.aso.com.au/about/employment>

Applications close Thursday 2 December 2021

SELECTION PROCESS:

Auditions will be held on Thursday 16 December and Friday 17 December 2021

The audition process will be undertaken according to the "ASO Audition Protocol" which is available on the ASO website. As part of this process, applicants may attend the live auditions or submit a video recording in advance.

REQUIRED WORKS:

- STUDY NO.9 FROM JACQUES DELECLUSE'S 12 STUDIES FOR SNARE DRUM.
- MARIMBA SOLO OF YOUR CHOICE FOR 5 OCTAVE MARIMBA

+ ORCHESTRAL EXCERPTS

Orchestral excerpts

Available from Thursday 2 December 2021



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*PLEASE NOTE:

The Associate Principal Percussion / Timpani is primarily responsible for playing in the percussion section but shall also play Timpani from time to time as required.

DUTY STATEMENT:

General duties and work requirements:

(Relevant passages from the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra Musicians Agreement)

15.2 DUTY STATEMENTS: - Principal Musicians

General duties and work requirements.

Principal musicians shall:-

- a) play the instrument/s and parts for which the musician was engaged/auditioned
- b) play any instrument in the relevant family of instruments (see clause 15.8) provided:
 - i. there is a doubling part and the musician was engaged/auditioned on the relevant instrument(s); or
 - ii. the musician is willing and has a recognised professional level of competence; or
 - iii. the musician is willing and provided that the musician's artistic standards are not compromised;
- c) provided that the artistic standards of the orchestra are not compromised,
 - i. if applicable, perform higher duties, if willing;
 - ii. play in combinations of seven or less, if willing;
 - iii. play off-stage at the conductor's direction (subject to the musician's classification);
- d) undertake preparation of relevant parts in advance of the first rehearsal;
- e) rehearse and perform relevant parts as required;
- f) if applicable, mark parts and convey all relevant information consistent with section leader's instructions, in a concise and timely manner;
- g) maintain a fully professional appearance and behaviour whilst on duty;
- h) participate in the relevant musical responsibilities of the section;
- i) if applicable, follow the directions of the Section Leader in all matters relating to style, ensemble, intonation, articulation and bowing (as relevant), and seating;
- j) participate on auditions panels, trial assessment meetings, consultative, orchestral and artistic meetings as required;
- k) not unreasonably refuse to be available for meetings with management and colleagues to discuss job-related issues;
- l) undertake promotional activities consistent with the player's capacity as a professional musician and as agreed.

15.3 Principal musicians/Specific duties.

The positions of Piccolo, Cor Anglais, Bass Clarinet, Contra Bassoon, 3rd Horn, 3rd Trombone (Bass), Tuba, Harp, Timpani and Principal 1st Violin are Principal positions.

- a) The principal Piccolo, Cor Anglais, Bass Clarinet and Contra Bassoon may be required to play:
 - i. any part written for their specialist instrument,
 - ii. any doubling part involving their specialist instrument and the section's main instrument,
 - iii. in any position except section leader whether or not a doubling part is involved. It is agreed that



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the requirement to play parts not involving the specialist instrument will arise either from the scoring of a particular work, or the need to achieve a balanced workload across the section.

- b) The positions of Piccolo, Cor Anglais, Bass Clarinet, Contra Bassoon are primarily responsible for their specialist part.
- c) The Principal 1st Violin shall:
 - i. sit on the front desk as required or any other position as agreed;
 - ii. lead the orchestra as required;
 - iii. prepare and play relevant solos;
 - iv. assist the Concertmaster in managing the section and preparing parts.
- d) The Principal Bass Trombone shall:
 - i. play Bass Trombone;
 - ii. play in any section position where the composer has written a Bass Trombone doubling part;
 - iii. play third or fourth trombone if not otherwise playing Bass Trombone;
 - iv. play second or first trombone, provided the musician agrees and has a recognised level of proficiency for playing these parts.
- e) The Principal 3rd Horn shall play 1st horn as required.
- f) The Principal Tuba shall play, on the most suitable instrument available, parts written for Ophicleide and Cimbasso.

15.4 DUTY STATEMENTS: - Associate Principal Musicians

In addition to the "General duties and work requirements of Principal Musicians", Associate Principal Musicians shall:

- a) prepare and play relevant solos;
- b) assist the Section Leader in managing the section and preparing parts;
- c) share the musical responsibilities of the section and lead the section when required; if acting as Section Leader, the appropriate clause shall apply;
- d) in the absence of the Section Leader, deputise for the Section Leader as required; see above;
- e) in the case of wind and brass, play any part in works requiring the whole section;
- f) in the case of the strings, sit on the front desk or in another place as required.

Additional information about the Musicians Agreement can be obtained by contacting the Director, People and Culture, Shivani Marx via email: marxs@aso.com.au or telephone +61 8 82

ABOUT THE ORCHESTRA:

With a reputation for vitality and versatility, the much-loved Adelaide Symphony Orchestra is South Australia's largest performing arts organisation, with 75 full-time musicians. Established in 1936, the ASO has been there to corroborate life and contribute to South Australia's identity for over 80 years. Today the ASO plays a major role in Adelaide's cultural and economic vibrancy, and enriches the community through a diverse program of world-class performances to more than 100,000 concertgoers each season.

In the spirit of innovation, the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra frequently showcases new music and Australian premieres. The ASO has embarked on numerous international tours and plays a role in the Adelaide Festival of Arts, Adelaide Cabaret Festival, OzAsia Festival, WOMADelaide, State Opera of South Australia and The Australian Ballet. The season generally starts at the end of January and



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concludes mid- December. During the Christmas/New Year period, between seasons, the Orchestra members are on annual leave.

The ASO acknowledges that we work and make music on the traditional lands of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We extend this respect to all Traditional Owners of the lands where we tour and perform.

ABOUT ADELAIDE:

Consistently ranked in the top three most liveable cities in the world, Adelaide, South Australia is a cosmopolitan city that offers an incredible quality of life. With its coastal location and proximity to world-class beaches, state parks, wildlife, celebrated wine regions and culinary delights, this city has much to offer for a relaxed and well-balanced lifestyle.

In 2015, Adelaide was bestowed the designation as the first, and only, UNESCO City of Music in Australia. The designation is an acknowledgment of the breadth, depth and vibrancy of the city's music culture, its international reach, its history and its aspirations.

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To learn more about Adelaide's culture, vibrant city life and heritage please visit:

<https://www.cityofadelaide.com.au/>

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