

2026 Instrumental Ensembles Concert-Only Residency Package Inclusions

Performers & Non-performers

\$1,199

per performer

*hotel, airfare, and
travel within NYC not
included

Our 2026 Instrumental Ensembles Concert-Only Residency Package includes the following items:



REHEARSALS & CONCERT:

- Professional promotion and publicity of your concert, including Playbill preparation, posters, and press releases.
- MidAmerica Productions staff onsite to manage all concert-related activities from the rehearsals to the post-concert reception cruise.
- All participants will receive a replica of the large marquee poster announcing your concert in Stern Auditorium/Perelman Stage at Carnegie Hall.
- **IMPORTANT: A minimum of 50 registered performers is necessary for a performance on this MidAmerica Productions season.**



POST-CONCERT RECEPTION CRUISE:

- The exclusive post-concert reception cruise features a two-hour sail around the Hudson River with spectacular views of the Statue of Liberty, the Brooklyn Bridge, and the New York City skyline.
- Music, dancing, a dinner buffet, and two drink tickets are included; extra drink tickets can be purchased on board. Guests must be at least 21 years old to consume alcoholic beverages on the cruise.

**Bus tickets can be purchased for an additional \$49 for both residency and non-residency guests.*

**A limited number of additional non-residency guests may also be accommodated on the cruise with the purchase of a \$179 ticket.*



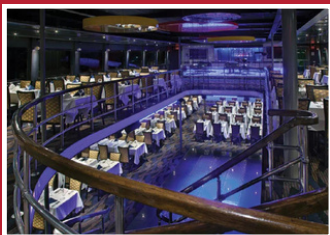
OTHER INCLUSIONS:

- A free concert-only residency for the Director.

**Applicable when there are over 30 paying performers. For every additional 30 paying performers, the group receives one additional Concert-Only Residency package.*

- Two complimentary tickets in the premium parquet seating for your concert for your personal use.

***With a minimum of 30 registered performers.*



Non-Performer Package: Affiliated family, friends, colleagues

\$599
per person

INCLUDES:

- Attendance at all rehearsals – including the closed dress rehearsal in Stern Auditorium/ Perelman State at Carnegie Hall.
- One concert ticket (Parquet/Main level - \$125 value) to your performance
- Posters as described above.
- An admission ticket for the post-concert celebration reception cruise as described above (including dinner and two drink tickets).

Please note that the above non-performer rate is only available to persons affiliated with ensembles who purchase the \$1199 concert-only package. This special \$599 non-performer's rate is not applicable when the performing groups take the \$1799 full residency package.

In determining if registering ensembles qualify for complimentary packages or a group credit, registrants taking the \$599 non-performer package are not counted.



General Residency Itinerary

A sample itinerary of a typical New York
MidAmerica Instrumental Residency

DAY ONE

Arrival in NYC.



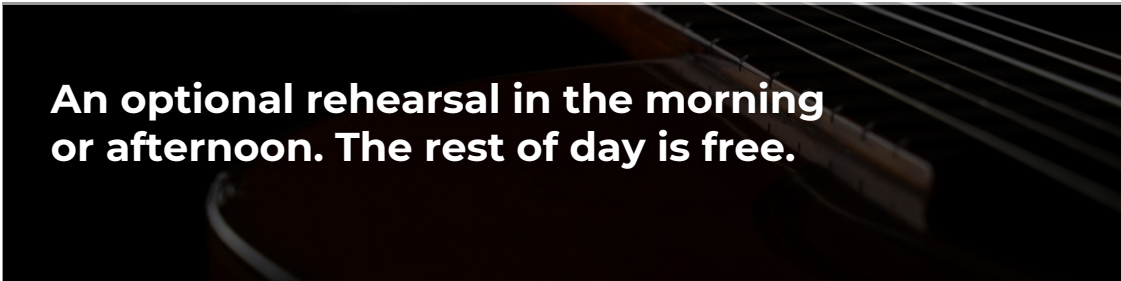
DAY TWO

One rehearsal in the morning or afternoon; the rest of the day is free.



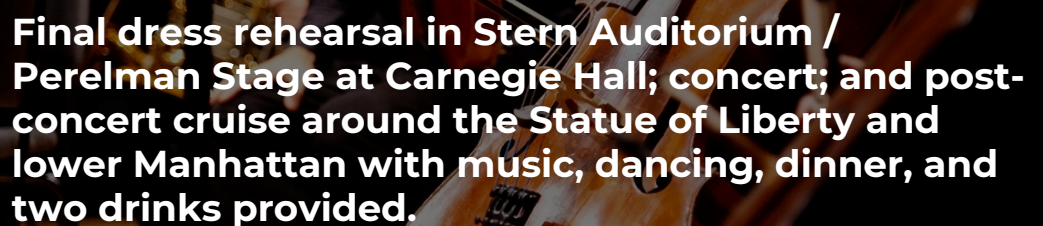
DAY THREE

An optional rehearsal in the morning or afternoon. The rest of day is free.



DAY FOUR

Final dress rehearsal in Stern Auditorium / Perelman Stage at Carnegie Hall; concert; and post-concert cruise around the Statue of Liberty and lower Manhattan with music, dancing, dinner, and two drinks provided.



DAY FIVE

Departure from NYC.



*Transportation to and from the Spirit Cruise is not included in the Concert-Only package.



Initial Payment Deadlines for concerts in New York in 2026:

March 2026 Concerts

Early Registration Deadline:

April 1, 2025

Standard Registration Deadline:

July 1, 2025

April 2026 Concerts

Early Registration Deadline:

July 1, 2025

Standard Registration Deadline:

October 1, 2025

May & June 2026 Concerts

Early Registration Deadline:

July 1, 2025

Standard Registration Deadline:

October 1, 2025

Package Credits:

Total number of registered performers:	Deposit received by early registration deadline:	Deposit received by standard registration deadline:
30	2 Package Credits	1 Package Credit
60	4 Package Credits	2 Package Credits
90	6 Package Credits	3 Package Credits

***All credits will be applied on the group's final invoice.**

Terms and Conditions:

MidAmerica Productions only registers groups of 10 participants or more (any combination of performers and non-performers- family, friends, colleagues). If your concert should be cancelled by MidAmerica Productions (with exception of cancellations made due to late or non-payment), all monies are completely and immediately refundable. Group directors must indicate at the time of registration whether they will be participating as a performer or non-performer. Credits only apply to group registrations; individual registrations through the MAP website do not count towards a tally for complimentary packages. Complimentary packages may be used for an individual (director, accompanist, etc.) or may be applied toward the group's balance to reduce each participant's cost. Please read more in the full terms and conditions on **page 10**.

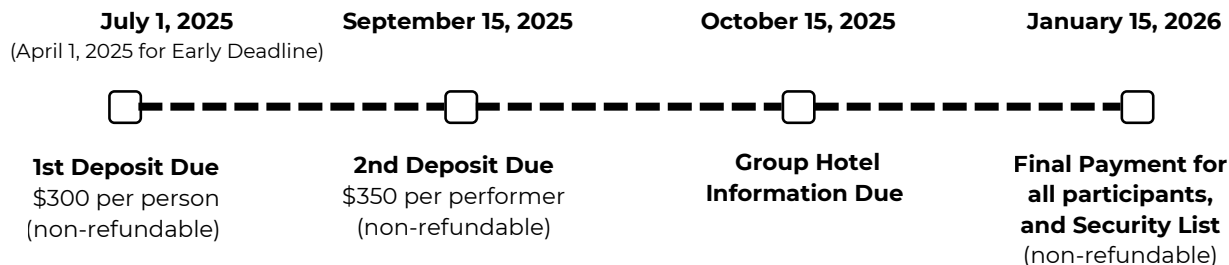
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Spring 2026 Deposit, Payment, and Form Schedules:

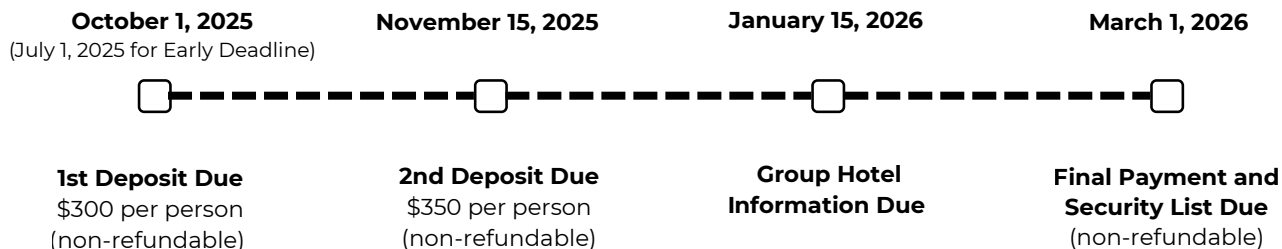


**All payments must be received in office by the due date.*

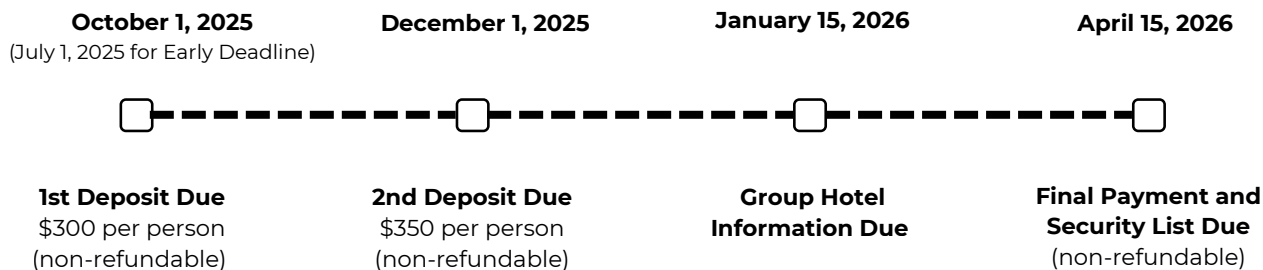
March Concerts:



April Concerts:



May & June Concerts:



*Non-performers- family, friends, colleagues should remit an initial \$300 per person deposit; the remainder will be billed on the final invoice.

****Once received, all payments made to MidAmerica are non-refundable This applies to any individual or group who has made any payments.** Should a check payment be returned by bank as unpaid, a \$35 returned check fee will be added to your final invoice.

Instrumental Ensembles Concert-Only Residency Spring 2026 Form Information:

Group Hotel Information:


Name, phone number, and hotel information for the group's contact person in the event that MidAmerica staff needs to reach the group outside of set meeting time.

Security List:

An alphabetical list (last name, then first name) of all residency package participants (performers and non-performers) for Carnegie Hall. There is no admittance to Carnegie Hall backstage for anyone **NOT** on the security list.

Use the forms that you will receive from MidAmerica Productions. Be sure to complete all forms online by the requested due date.

*Read the full terms & conditions page on **page 10**.



**"There is no higher
experience than
Performing in the
Grand Old Lady."**

-Michael Allard, Conductor,
Orchestra Director, Harmony
Magnet Academy

Instrumental Ensembles Concert-Only Residency Spring 2026 Payment Information:

Ensembles consisting of high school-aged performers require at least one registered adult for every 10 students. At the time of the initial deposit, ensembles will inform MidAmerica whether they elect the "Full Residency" (\$1799 package) or "Concert-Only" (\$1199 package for bands/orchestras)

These two package options are on a "whole-group" basis, meaning that all participants in the ensemble must choose to take either the Full Residency package OR the Concert-Only package. Once deposited, there can be no change between "Full Residency" and "Concert-Only" status, nor any individual exceptions within the registered ensembles. Affiliated non-performers (family, friends, colleagues and chaperones) who plan to officially register as such with their group must take the same package option as their ensemble.

Your online concert registration form must be completed prior to sending your first deposit. Make checks payable in US Dollars to MidAmerica Productions, Inc. and send via Federal Express/Express Mail (regular mail is not recommended) to:

MidAmerica Productions, Inc.
Joyce Howard-Brazel
265 Sunrise Highway, Suite 1-183
Rockville Centre, NY 11570

****Please send **one** combined check per payment. **Do not** send individual checks.** Should a check payment be returned by bank as unpaid, a \$35 returned check fee will be added to your final invoice.

For information on wire transfers, ACH payments and/or credit card payments, please contact Joyce Howard-Brazel, Chief of Client Services at jhoward@midamerica-music.com. When wiring funds, registering ensembles are responsible for all bank fees from their own bank (as well as any intermediary bank fees when wiring internationally).

Visiting instrumental ensembles are responsible for bringing or renting their own instruments. Estimated costs for such rentals in Manhattan can be provided by our office. If more than one instrumental ensemble is performing at your concert, rental costs can be divided equally.

Important: The concert registration form must be completed online prior to sending your first deposit.

Terms and Conditions:

***Deposit/Document schedules are firm** and all payments and all required MidAmerica Production documents must be received by MAP by the deposit/document deadline (NOT postmarked). MAP retains the right to cancel groups for nonpayment, without refund, if the deposit schedule is not met. Therefore, if any delay in payment or required MAP document is anticipated, the group director must contact MAP prior to the payment deadline. Additionally, if a group's deposit is not received by the deposit deadline (and MAP does not cancel their registration immediately), an additional \$25 per person late fee will be added to their past due deposit. An additional \$25 per person late fee will be added for each additional week that passes following the original deposit deadline if the deposit remains unpaid.

***Once received, all payments made to MidAmerica Productions are non-refundable.** This applies to any individual or group who has made any payments. In addition, should an individual cancel participation, all deposits/payments are forfeited and non-transferrable to the remaining group balance. Forfeited deposits may only be used for substitutions on a one-to-one basis.

Therefore, cancellation insurance, is strongly recommended. Please see more information on how to get a quote for cancellation insurance in the Terms & Conditions on **page 10. If your concert should be cancelled by MidAmerica Productions** (with exception of cancellations made due to late or non-payment), all monies are completely and immediately refundable.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ): Instrumental Ensembles

1

How are ensembles selected for and invited to participate in this concert series, both here and abroad?

Each ensemble has been specifically recommended or referred to us. Additionally, ensembles can be accepted after submitting an audition CD, video, or YouTube link to the Production Team at production@midamerica-music.com.

2

What does our instrumental ensemble performance feature?

Your performance features your instrumental ensemble, under your direction, in a performance consisting of 25 minutes of music time, which equates to 30 minutes of stage time, allowing for applause, change of music, and tuning, based on a minimum ensemble of 50 performers. Ensembles of 70 or more performers may be allotted additional stage time, depending on availability.

3

When will we know the schedule for our residency in New York?

Schedules (and rehearsal locations) are published 2-3 months in advance of your concert date. Typically, on the first, second, and third nights of your residency you are free to do as you wish. Please refer to the general residency schedule on page 3 for more information.

4

When can we purchase air tickets and other reservations?

All groups wait until they receive written confirmation and a “go-ahead” from MidAmerica Productions before making any flight arrangements or non-refundable purchases. This will occur after registrations have been received and the concert is confirmed.

5

What size audience can we expect at our concert?

Audiences are large and enthusiastic. MidAmerica Productions has a comprehensive public relations and audience development division.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ): Instrumental Ensembles (continued)

6

How are the concerts advertised?

Using a comprehensive, multi-faceted strategy that encompasses public relations, paid marketing, partnerships, and social media, MAP effectively engages a diverse audience of ticket buyers, from tourists to locals. With a mailing list of over 25,000 contacts, Andrea Niederman, Director of Public Relations, Publications, and Audience Development, and her team lead outreach efforts that target a wide range of media, from local outlets to nationally syndicated publications.

7

May friends and family also attend the post-concert dinner cruise?

Yes. Depending on availability, additional tickets may be purchased by friends and family. Tickets are available starting 60 days prior to the concert and cost \$179 per-person. Please contact the Production Team at production@midamerica-music.com for ordering information.

8

Who has performed on your series before?

We have hosted hundreds of instrumental ensembles on our series over the past 42 years. Please click [**here**](#) to view a partial list of groups.

9

What should our group wear for the concert?

Wear your typical formal concert dress (what your group wears for concerts at your home location).



Instrumental Ensembles Concert-Only Residency

Spring 2026 Deposit, Payment, and Form Terms & Conditions (page 1/2):

Residency Package Quote

If your concert should be cancelled by MidAmerica Productions (with exception of cancellations made due to late or non-payment), all monies are completely and immediately refundable. The Concert-Only Residency package price quoted is fixed and firm. If at any time, the state or city of New York levies an additional visitors' tax, this tax, upon presentation of documentation, will become the responsibility of the incoming ensemble and will be added to the residency package cost for final payment. Late penalties may be assessed when a group does not adhere to the published payment deadlines. MidAmerica Productions, Inc. and MidAm International, Inc. shall not be liable to any individual registrant or group for any injuries, losses, or expenses suffered or incurred by any individual registrant or group arising out of or relating to your purchase of this package. All registrants and groups shall maintain appropriate and adequate general liability insurance coverage and any worker's compensation insurance required by applicable state law.

Deposits, Substitutions, and Travel Insurance

Once received, all payments made to MidAmerica Productions are non-refundable. This applies to any individual or group who has made any payments. In addition, should an individual cancel participation, all deposits/payments are forfeited and non-transferrable to the remaining group balance. Forfeited deposits may only be used for substitutions on a one-to-one basis. In addition, should an individual cancel participation, deposits are non-transferable to the group's unpaid balance (substitutions for canceled persons are permissible). Therefore, cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. MidAmerica Productions does not endorse or recommend any travel insurance company who might provide such insurance to the ensemble. Please investigate thoroughly through your preferred insurance carrier prior to your initial deposit.

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Lodging & Travel

It is the responsibility of all participants who are non-U.S. Citizens to inquire with the appropriate embassy or consulate regarding entry requirements to the U.S. Ensembles must submit their travel particulars to MidAmerica Productions, Inc. 90 days in advance of their performance. If flying, this information should include flight numbers, airline, dates and times. **Do not** purchase any air tickets or make other travel arrangements (train, bus, etc.) without getting a "go ahead" from MidAmerica Productions. Transportation to and from the cruise is **not included** in the Concert-Only package.

Please note all residency hotels are union hotels. It is impermissible and against union rules for groups using these facilities to bring in group food deliveries from the outside. Groups that violate this rule are liable for union fines and must be paid by credit card prior to your departure.

Instrumental Ensembles Concert-Only Residency

Spring 2026 Deposit, Payment, and Form

Terms & Conditions (page 2/2):

Free time in NYC

MidAmerica Productions, Inc. **cannot be responsible** for scheduling conflicts or losses which may arise from pre-booking travel arrangements and extra-curricular activities. MidAmerica Productions, Inc. encourages participants to take advantage of New York's unparalleled cultural life. However, until you have received the confirmed rehearsal schedule from MidAmerica Productions, Inc. please do not book any non-refundable tickets for any activities (travel arrangements, shows, tours, etc.). Generally, evenings are free during the residency; these are the best times to book group Broadway show tickets, except on the concert day. You are welcome to contact Lina DiCarlo at Broadway and NYC Tours (Lina@BroadwayandNYCtours.com) for group Broadway show tickets and other entertainment options. Ms. DiCarlo has offered this service to our incoming ensembles for over 30 years.

Participant Responsibility

MidAmerica Productions Inc. and MidAm International, Inc. shall not be liable to any individual registrant or group for any injuries, losses, or expenses suffered or incurred by any individual registrant or group arising out of or relating to your purchase of this package. All registrants and groups shall maintain appropriate and adequate general liability insurance coverage and any workmen's compensation insurance required by applicable state law. Group Directors/Leaders shall be responsible for the well-being and safety of the registrants in their ensembles. If not already covered by medical insurance, registrants and their Group Directors are strongly advised to obtain adequate travel medical insurance for all registrants in the ensemble covering the duration of their travel. All participants in the package must undertake at their own expense to comply with all dress and health requirements of governmental entities as well as the venues where the performance and other events are being held. It is the responsibility of all persons participating as performers to arrive on time and be fully prepared for all rehearsals as well as the performance. Should these parameters not be met, MidAmerica retains the right to disallow those individuals from participating in the rehearsal and/or performance. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without regard to the conflicts of law principles thereof. The parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts within the County and State of New York with respect to any dispute arising out of this agreement.

Force Majeure

If the specified hall is unavailable for your performance due to "acts of God" (force majeure), MidAmerica Productions, Inc., reserves the right to move this concert to another concert location within New York City or to reschedule it to the following year. Acts of God (force majeure) shall include any unexpected act or circumstance that prevents or impedes MAP from performing one or more of its contractual obligations if such impediment to MAP's performance is beyond MAP's reasonable control and the effects of such impediment cannot reasonably have been avoided or overcome by MAP. For purposes of this provision, Acts of God shall include, but are not limited to: a) war (whether declared or not), hostilities, act of foreign enemies, b) civil war, riot, rebellion and revolution, act of terrorism, sabotage or piracy; c) currency and trade restriction, embargo, sanction; d) act of authority whether lawful or unlawful, compliance with any law or governmental order, expropriation, seizure of works, requisition, nationalization; e) plague, epidemic (including a recurrence of COVID-19 pandemic), natural disaster or extreme natural event; f) explosion, fire, destruction of equipment, prolonged break-down of transport, telecommunication, information system or energy; g) and general labor disturbance.