



Strings Audition Requirements

Auditions are held at McNally Smith College of Music on specific dates each semester. Visit www.mcnallysmith.edu/admissions/auditions for upcoming audition dates, then email admissions@mcnallysmith.edu to schedule your audition time on one of the predetermined audition dates listed.

The audition has a number of components including:

Scales

- Violin: 3 octave G major scale at a moderate tempo
- Viola/Cello: 3 octave C major scale at a moderate tempo

Prepared Music

- Two prepared pieces (or excerpts) in contrasting moods/styles (app. 2 minutes each) i.e. slow movement from a concerto/fast movement from a concerto or swing tune/bluegrass tune or classical/blues, etc.

Basic Skills and Musicianship

- Pitch Matching (call and response)
- Improvise on a 12 bar blues (optional)
- Sight-reading