NORM ZECH REEDLEY COLLEGE ORCHESTRA

COURSE SYLLABUS

MUSIC 45/385A – College Orchestra/Community Orchestra

Fall 2020 – section 55166/53727 - 1/0 UNITS

1st, 3rd, and 5th Mondays of each month – **Online Until Further Notice**

INSTRUCTOR: Jason Orchard

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TOPICS:

   Study and performance of a wide variety of orchestral literature in preparation for public and virtual performances. One or more public performance(s) required per semester.

PREREQUISITES:

   Students must read music and be proficient on an orchestral instrument.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

   Appropriate musical instrument, musical literature supplied by the instructor to be returned at the end of the semester.

GRADING CRITERIA:

   Rehearsals - 50%

   Performances - 50%

FINAL EXAM: Participation in performances

IMPORTANT DATES:

    August 28- Last day to register for a class

    August 28- Last day to drop to avoid a "W" in person

    August 30- Last day to drop to avoid a "W" on web advisor

    October 9- Final drop date. After this date, students will receive a grade.

ATTENDANCE:

    Please attend each Zoom meeting. If you have to miss, please email me.

REHEARSAL ETIQUETTE: (Should we return, please follow these guidelines)

    The following will help us have efficient rehearsals.

1. Having a full ensemble in attendance- When players are missing it is difficult to rehearse.

2. Beginning and ending on time- Please arrive early enough to be ready to play by 7:05 and return promptly from the break.

3. Minimizing talking and distractions- If you must talk to your section to clarify something in the music, please do it quietly.

4. Being prepared for rehearsal- If you have a challenging passage in your music, please practice it before the next rehearsal.

5. Retaining what we rehearse- Write reminders in your music and review between rehearsals so we don't have to rehearse the same things each time.

CONCERT ATTIRE:

    I will give instructions for each video. Some "themed outfits" may be encouraged!