

# Northern Plains Music Festival

## Vocal Audition Materials

*Please record auditions as three separate tracks/files: 1. Descending scale; 2. Ascending scale; 3. "Afton Water."*

**STEP 1**      ***Introduction***

The singer should state their name and the voice part for which s/he is auditioning.

**STEP 2**      ***Descending Scale***

Sing a descending major or minor scale on "doo," "dah," or solfege syllables (do, ti, la, etc.). The scale should be **at least as low** as the key listed below, but may be lower if desired. Be sure to choose a key that shows your voice well, and state the name of the key before singing.

- Soprano and Tenor: *C major*
- Alto and Baritone (Bass I): *G major*
- Bass: *F major*

**STEP 3**      ***Ascending Scale***

Sing an ascending major or minor scale on "doo," "dah," or solfege syllables (do, re, mi, etc.). The scale should be **at least as high** as the key listed below, but it may be higher if desired. Be sure to choose a key that shows your voice well, and state the name of the key before singing.

- Soprano I: *G major*
- Soprano II and Tenor: *F major*
- Alto and Baritone (Bass I): *E♭ major*
- Bass: *D major*

**STEP 4**      ***Afton Water***

Sing the excerpt appropriate for your voice part unaccompanied and unassisted. (Excerpts are on the next page.) The melody may be transposed  $\frac{1}{2}$  step in either direction if desired.

Please be attentive to the breath marks in the excerpt. A breath mark in parentheses indicates an optional breath; a dotted slur indicates that no breath is to be taken.

# Afton Water

Soprano/Tenor Audition

Andante

Scottish Folksong

Flow gent - ly sweet Af - ton, a - mong thy green braes, Flow  
5 gent - ly, I'll sing thee a song in thy praise; My  
9 Ma - ry's a - sleep by thy mur - mur - ing stream, Flow  
13 gent - ly sweet Af - ton, dis - turb not her dream.

# Afton Water

Alto/Bass Audition

Andante

Scottish Folksong

Flow gent - ly sweet Af - ton, a - mong thy green braes, Flow  
5 gent - ly, I'll sing thee a song in thy praise; My  
9 Ma - ry's a - sleep by thy mur - mur - ing stream, Flow  
13 gent - ly sweet Af - ton, dis - turb not her dream.