



# CONSERVATORY PLACEMENT ACTIVITY GUIDELINES

## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CONSERVATORY GUITAR PROGRAM In-Person Placement Activity

### Guitar Program (Grades 6-12)

All CSArts-SGV applicants should include one (1) **Personal Statement** when submitting their online application.

#### Personal Statement

*(minimum of 300 words)*

An essay describing why they are passionate about attending an art-focused program.

#### Placement Activity Guidelines

Guitar Program applicants should prepare the following materials. Bring two extra copies of your music for the placement activity administrators.

#### Grades 6-8:

- Perform a two-octave A Major scale and a two-octave C minor scale; Placement Activity attendees will also be asked to sight read.
- Perform a piece of classical music: "Moderato" by Ferdinando Carulli or "Allegro" op.50, No. 13 by Mauro Giuliani

#### OR

Perform a piece of pop music: "Blackbird" by Paul McCartney or "Tears in Heaven" by Eric Clapton

#### OR

Perform a piece of jazz music: "I've Grown Accustomed to Her Face" arr. by Barry Galbraith

#### Grades 9-10:

- Perform a two-octave A Major Scale, a three-octave E Major Scale, a two-octave C minor scale and a three-octave F minor scale; Placement Activity attendees will also be asked to sight read.
- Perform "Adelita" by Francisco Tarrega or "Lágrima" by Francisco Tarrega

#### OR

Perform a piece of pop music: "Classical Gas" by Mason Williams or "Dust in the Wind" by Kansas



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**OR**

Perform a piece of jazz music: "A Certain Smile" arr. by Barry Galbraith

**Grades 11-12:**

- Perform a two-octave A Major Scale, a three-octave E Major Scale, a two-octave C minor scale, a three-octave F minor scale, a two-octave Bb melodic minor scale and a three-octave G melodic minor scale; Placement Activity attendees will also be asked to sight read.
- Perform: "Choros" by Semenzato or "Spanish Romance" arr. by Robert Hamilton

**OR**

Perform a piece of pop music: "Nothing Else Matters" or "Girl from Ipanema"

**OR**

Perform a piece of jazz music: "Satin Doll" arr. by Barry Galbraith or "As Time Goes By" arr. by Barry Galbraith

*Students may not select this conservatory for enrollment if they do not demonstrate the minimum proficiency in this Placement Activity, therefore it is strongly recommended that they also complete a Placement Activity for one other conservatory.*

Applicants who are English language learners, have a disability, or need technology assistance are encouraged to reach out for support with the admissions process. Please contact [admissions@sgv.csarts.net](mailto:admissions@sgv.csarts.net) or 714.560.0900 ext. 5510 for more information.

Hay asistencia disponible para los solicitantes aprendiendo inglés, que tienen una discapacidad, o los que necesitan asistencia tecnológica. Favor de ponerse contacto con nosotros por correo electrónico [admissions@sgv.csarts.net](mailto:admissions@sgv.csarts.net) o por llamar 714.560.0900 ext. 5510 para más información.