Description of Camp

The High School Harp Solo and Ensemble Workshop is open to graduates of grades 8, 9, 10 or 11. The program is an exciting week of solo and ensemble experiences exploring classical traditions and improvisational styles. In addition, participants have the opportunity to attend special master classes on a variety of topics including selected orchestral audition excerpts, chamber music, harp maintenance, and career discussions. Delaine Leonard, UT Harp Senior Lecturer, directs the camp. This camp culminates with a required concert. Whatever the level of proficiency, all LMC campers find new challenges and opportunities and will advance in their ability!

The camp culminates with a required student performance in Bates Recital Hall.

Typical Daily Schedule

Residential campers are awoken by counselors. Campers and counselors eat breakfast as a group and then walk to the Butler School of Music together. All campers spend mornings in rehearsals, supervised individual practice time, and/or educational seminars. All campers are escorted by counselors back to the dorm for lunch.

The afternoon is spent in rehearsals, Alexander Technique classes, and/or educational seminars. Day-campers depart after the afternoon instructional period, and residential campers eat dinner in the dorm as a group.

Evening recreation is always a camp-wide activity. Past activities have included movie night, game night, attending a Chamber Concert, Water Olympics, and a talent show. After evening recreation, campers go back to the dorm for a floor meeting and time to shower, call home, and go to sleep.

Audition Information

Students will audition for chair and part placement on the repertoire to be performed. Audition music will be e-mailed to participants approximately two weeks prior to camp. Participants are responsible for preparing all selections included in their packet, but memorization is not necessary. Additionally, a theory quiz is given to the campers to gauge their level of knowledge. Audition times for the High School Harp Workshop begin at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 17, 2018.
Arrival Day

Campers bringing their own harps and benches (we reserve UT harps and benches for out-of-state participants) should deliver them to the Butler School of Music, MRH 6.218 at 12:00 noon on Sunday, June 17, 2018, having already eaten lunch.

Residential campers will then proceed to The Jester East Residence Hall, located at 201 E 21st St, Austin, TX 78705. Dorm check-in starts at 1:00pm.

To see a map, visit https://utdirect.utexas.edu/apps/fasweb/parking/nlogon/garages/ and click “Brazos Garage” (the closest garage available). Please follow all posted parking regulations. (Day-campers will remain at the Butler School of Music until the 2:00 p.m. audition time, at which point parents should depart.)

From the dorm, parents should bring their child back to MRH 6.218 by 1:45 p.m. for the 2:00 p.m. audition. Parents should leave their child with the harp camp counselor at this time. Parents may visit the hospitality room in MBE 2.114 (Longhorn Band Hall) to meet camp staff, enjoy complimentary refreshments and get any additional questions answered.

The Butler School of Music is located at 2406 Robert Dedman Drive, near the corner of Robert Dedman and Dean Keeton. You may park along Dean Keeton and walk over or in the San Jacinto Parking Garage (a fee applies).

To see a map, visit http://facilitiesservices.utexas.edu/buildings/UTM/0131 or https://parking.utexas.edu/maps/visitors. All street and surface level parking on campus now requires a permit at all times. Please follow all posted parking regulations.

Schedule for Commuter Campers

On Sunday, day-campers should report to the Butler School of Music between 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. to deliver their harps and benches to MRH 6.218 having already eaten lunch. For out-of-state campers who will be using one of the UT harps, please report to MRH 6.218 by 1:45 p.m. in preparation for the 2:00 audition. Following auditions on Sunday, all campers eat dinner at Jester Dining Hall, attend a camp-wide meeting, and have a rehearsal. Sunday evening pickup is 9:00 p.m. at the Music Building. Day-campers must attend the rehearsal on Sunday night.

Monday–Friday, day-campers should arrive at the Butler School of Music at 8:15 a.m. (drop-off point is along Trinity Street at the Sabretooth Tiger Statue in front of the Texas Memorial Museum). In case of rain, enter and remain near the west doors of the Music Building, which is across the street from the Texas Museum. Campers must check in with their counselor upon arrival and departure. Parents are asked to remain with camper until counselor is present at 8:15 a.m. Monday through Thursday, day-campers will depart campus from the Butler School of Music at 4:15 p.m. Parents will be called if camper is absent at drop-off or pick-up time.
On Friday, day-campers should check in at the Butler School of Music at 8:00 a.m.

Camp Concerts

All camps culminate with a student performance in Bates Recital Hall. All performances are free and open to the public. All campers must participate in the final performance.

A live webcast of the performance is available at http://bsom.live/.

Tentative Concert Schedule for Friday, June 22
High School Harp Solo & Ensemble Workshop 11:00am – 12:30pm

Dorm Checkout Schedule for Friday, June 22
High School Harp Solo & Ensemble Workshop 8:00-8:30 a.m.

Campers will check out of their dorm rooms with their counselors on Friday (last day of camp) between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. Parents may pick up their camper at check out (and collect their belonging at that time of check-out) and drive the camper to the Butler School of Music in time for their warm-up. Any luggage not picked up by parents will be securely transported to the Music Building during the morning on Friday. Parents will be able to collect their child's luggage at the Music Building following the final camp concert.

Please refer to the 2018 Longhorn Music Camp Handbook for additional general camp information.