



MISSISSIPPI SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

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Principal Bassoon/Woodwind Quintet

Audition Date: Saturday, May 23, 2026

Annual Compensation (2026/2027 season): \$19,881.81

Position start date: September 1, 2026

Description of Position:

Principal Bassoon/Woodwind Quintet is a full-time or core position with the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra Association. The job consists of two parts: performing all required services as Principal Bassoon in the Orchestra (maximum of 95 services) **and** all required services as Bassoon in the MSO Woodwind Quintet (maximum of 40 services). It is not possible to separate these two functions. The MSO performance season is September 1 – May 31.

The **MSO** rehearses and performs primarily on nights and weekends. There are some daytime orchestral educational services. Actual service usage for the season averages around 90.

The **Woodwind Quintet** rehearses and performs most frequently during the daytime presenting at least one pair of educational concerts most weeks during the school year. Several times during the season the Quintet will be asked to perform incidental music for MSO functions. There may also be occasional recitals or featured pieces on a Chamber concert. Actual service usage for the Quintet averages around 40. The season dates for the Quintet are the same as for the Orchestra.

Applicant agrees to perform all MSO and Woodwind Quintet services requested subject to the terms enumerated in the Master Agreement between the Jackson Federation of Musicians, Local 579 American Federation of Musicians and the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra Association.

The Mississippi Symphony Orchestra presents a 38-week season beginning September 1 and concluding May 31. The MSO is comprised of a full-time core of 27 musicians and supplemented, as repertoire requires, by local and regional musicians. The orchestra rehearses and performs primarily at night and on weekends. Musicians of the MSO are covered under a collective bargaining agreement between the Jackson Federation of Musicians, Local 579 American Federation of Musicians and the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra Association. For more on the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra please visit our website, msorchestra.com.

PLEASE NOTE: In order to be hired by the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra candidates must already be authorized to work in the United States.