Artistic Process: Performing
Accomplished / Advanced Ensembles
## Anchor Standards / Enduring Understandings / Essential Questions

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<td>Performers’ interest in and knowledge of musical works, understanding of their own technical skill, and the context for a performance influence the selection of repertoire. Analyzing creators’ context and how they manipulate elements of music provides insight into their intent and informs performance. Performers make interpretive decisions based on their understanding of context and expressive intent.</td>
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### Intent of the Model Cornerstone Assessments

Model Cornerstone Assessments (MCAs) in music assessment frameworks to be used by music teachers within their school’s curriculum to measure student attainment of process components defined by performance standards in the National Core Music Standards. They focus on one or more Artistic Process (i.e., Creating, Performing, or Responding) and are designed as a series of curriculum-embedded assessment tasks, each of which measures students’ ability to carry out one or more process components. The MCAs can be used as formative and summative indications of learning, but do not indicate the quality of teaching or effectiveness of a school’s music program.

Although each MCA is designed so that it can be administered within an instructional sequence or unit, teachers may choose to spread the component parts of one MCA across multiple units or projects. Student work produced by the national pilot is available on the NAFME website that illustrates the level of achievement envisioned in the National Core Music Standards.

### Using the MCA document

MCAs are presented as a framework to be integrated into current curriculum. An example is provided that demonstrates the integration of curricular content. These examples are the specific tasks presented in the national pilot and may be used as the program so desires. Each MCA is available in a .pdf format with links for easy navigation within the document with external links for .doc versions of worksheets. The next page provides the assessment description with each bubble being a link to a detailed description of the assessment.

### General Description of the Assessment Task

This MCA includes assessment tasks for Accomplished and Advanced proficiency levels of Performing. In some ensembles it may be appropriate to administer multiple tasks implemented based on individual achievement levels of students.

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Students will select work(s) to rehearse for a performance, documenting analysis, rehearsal, and refinement processes. This MCA does not specify a particular notational or non-notational based performance medium and does not assess ability to sight-read. You will need to supplement this assessment with your program’s skill-based assessment measure (rubric). The task can be implemented with chamber ensembles, section rehearsals of larger ensembles, or students preparing solo. Recognizing that some tasks may be completed in a single period, it is important to provide sufficient time (days or weeks depending on the situation) over a series of rehearsals for students to analyze, interpret and refine music. Use the following links to find the National Standards Skills and Knowledge and the Music Standards Glossary.
Overview of Ensemble Cornerstone Assessment

Click on the link to jump to a full description of the assessment task.

Accomplished Level Assessment Task
Select a program of varied repertoire for a performance including three contrasting (e.g., genres, styles, cultural contexts, historical periods, compositional elements) musical works from ensemble music, formal solo or chamber ensemble based on performer interest. Then analyze, prepare and perform all three works demonstrating understanding of structural characteristics, proficiency of advanced technical and expressive skills, and comprehension of appropriateness for the performance contexts. Develop and apply appropriate rehearsal strategies to address the technical and expressive challenges of the music and present it in performance.

Music difficulty to include at least one of Grade 4 (Medium Difficult)

Advanced Level Assessment Task
Select, analyze, interpret, prepare, and perform a 15-20 minute recital (solo and/or small ensemble) of varied repertoire (e.g., genres, styles, cultural contexts, historical periods, compositional elements) appropriate for a selected performance context and based on performer interest. Students will research and evaluate the theoretical and structural characteristics of the music and explain the criteria used to make their musical choices.

Music difficulty to include at least one of Grade 5-6 (Medium Difficult - Professional)
Accomplished Level Standards
(Proficiency exceeding average performance proficiency for high school study)

**MU:Pr4.1.E.IIa** Develop and apply criteria to select a varied repertoire to study and perform based on an understanding of theoretical and structural characteristics and expressive challenges in the music, the technical skill of the individual or ensemble, and the purpose and context of the performance.

**MU:Pr4.2.E.IIa** Document and demonstrate, using music reading skills where appropriate, how compositional devices employed and theoretical and structural aspects of musical works may impact and inform prepared and improvised performances.

**MU:Pr4.3.E.IIa** Demonstrate how understanding the style, genre, and context of a varied repertoire of music influences prepared and improvised performances as well as performers’ technical skill to connect with the audience.

**MU:Pr5.3.E.IIa** Develop and apply appropriate rehearsal strategies to address individual and ensemble challenges in a varied repertoire of music, and evaluate their success.

**MU:Pr6.1.E.IIa** Demonstrate mastery of the technical demands and an understanding of expressive qualities of the music in prepared and improvised performances of a varied repertoire representing diverse cultures, styles, genres, and historical periods.

**MU:Pr6.1.E.IIb** Demonstrate an understanding of intent as a means for connecting with an audience through prepared and improvised performances.

**Overview of the tasks:** Select a program of varied repertoire for a performance including three contrasting (e.g., genres, styles, cultural contexts, historical periods, compositional elements) musical works from ensemble music, formal solo or chamber ensemble based on performer interest. Then prepare and perform all three works demonstrating understanding of structural characteristics, proficiency of advanced technical and expressive skills, and comprehension of appropriateness for the performance contexts. Develop and apply appropriate rehearsal strategies to address the technical and expressive challenges of the music and present it in performance.

Music difficulty: Grade 4 (Medium Difficult)

**Preparation for Assessment**
- The teacher facilitates a discussion with the select students for this MCA about selecting three contrasting works to be analyzed, interpreted, rehearsed, recorded, and evaluated. These may be music studied in the ensemble, solo works, honor ensemble, or even audition études. The music should be at the medium difficulty level and new to the student. This provides opportunities for them to identify and address technical and expressive performance challenges over a designated number of rehearsals.

**1. Select** – The teacher asks students to independently select three contrasting works or sections of music that include technical/musical challenges from their ensemble, solo, chamber, or audition music. Using the Selecting Music Worksheet for Accomplished (click here for .doc version), each student describes specific areas of challenge and improvement goals for each work. The teacher scores and provides feedback using the Selecting Music Scoring Device [Accomplished level]. (.docx version of accomplished scoring devices)

**2. Analyze, Interpret, Rehearse, Evaluate, & Refine** – The teacher provides the Analyze, Interpret, Rehearse, Evaluate, & Refine Worksheet for Accomplished (click here for .doc version) for each work and the Performance Evaluation for Accomplished so students are aware of the performance expectations. Each student works independently and/or in sectionals to practice the selections in order to complete the worksheets. The teacher may ask students to provide feedback to each other (not assessed).

**Preparation for Assessment**
- When the students feel prepared or by the set due date, the teacher asks students to self-record their performance of the selections and self-evaluate on the Performance Evaluation form.

**3. Present** – The teacher collects the independently recorded student performances, Analyze, Interpret, Rehearse, Evaluate, & Refine Worksheets for Accomplished and the Performance Evaluation for Accomplished forms. (It is advisable for the students to perform their selections in class if time permits)

The teacher scores the worksheet and evaluates the performance providing feedback to guide improvement on the performing process.
**Advanced Level Standards**

(Preparing for collegiate study in music)

**MU:Pr4.1.E.IIIa** Develop and apply criteria to select varied programs to study and perform based on an understanding of theoretical and structural characteristics and expressive challenges in the music, the technical skill of the individual or ensemble, and the purpose and context of the performance.

**MU:Pr4.2.E.IIIa** Examine, evaluate, and critique, using music reading skills where appropriate, how the structure and context impact and inform prepared and improvised performances.

**MU:Pr4.3.E.IIIa** Demonstrate how understanding the style, genre, and context of a varied repertoire of music informs prepared and improvised performances as well as performers’ technical skill to connect with the audience.

**MU:Pr5.3.E.IIIa** Develop, apply, and refine appropriate rehearsal strategies to address individual and ensemble challenges in a varied repertoire of music.

**MU:Cr6.1.E.IIIa** Demonstrate an understanding and mastery of the technical demands and expressive qualities of the music through prepared and improvised performances of a varied repertoire representing diverse cultures, styles, genres, and historical periods in multiple types of ensembles.

**MU:Pr6.1.E.IIib** Demonstrate an ability to connect with audience members before and during the process of engaging with and responding to them through prepared and improvised performances.

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**Overview of tasks:** Select, analyze, interpret, prepare, and perform a 15-20 minute recital (solo and/or small ensemble) of music from various genres, styles, cultures, or historical periods and appropriate for a selected performance context. Students will research and evaluate the theoretical and structural characteristics of the music and explain the criteria used to make their musical choices.

Music difficulty: At least one work Grade 4-6 (Medium Difficult - Professional)

**Preparation for Assessment**

Discuss with these students how to plan and schedule a recital of the solo/ensemble music. Clarify that all music performed will be analyzed, interpreted, rehearsed, recorded, and evaluated. The music should include at least one new work at the grade 4-6 difficulty level.

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1. **Select** – The teacher asks students to independently select works for a 15 to 20 minute recital that include technical/musical challenges and various genres, styles, cultures, or historical periods from their ensemble, solo, or chamber music using the Selecting Music Worksheet for Advanced ([click here for .doc version](#)). The student describes specific areas of challenge and goals for improvement. The teacher scores and provides feedback using the Selecting Music Scoring Device [Advanced level] ([.docx versions of advanced scoring devices](#)).

**Preparation for Assessment**

The teacher assists students in scheduling the performance considering sufficient planning/rehearsal time. It is best to plan a recital when the greatest number of family and friends can attend.

2. **Analyze, Interpret, Rehearse, Evaluate, & Refine** – The teacher provides the students with the Analyze, Interpret, Rehearse, Evaluate, & Refine Worksheet for Advanced ([click here for .doc version](#)) and the Performance Evaluation for Advanced to inform them of performance expectations. The students work independently (solos) and/or in groups or sections (ensembles) to complete the worksheet. The teacher may ask students to provide feedback to each other (not assessed).

**Preparation for Assessment**

When the students feel prepared or by the set performance date, the teacher assists students to record their performance. The students self-assess using the Performance Evaluation for Advanced.

3. **Present** – The students perform the prepared music and attempt to expressively connect with the audience. Students complete the Performance Evaluation for Advanced. The teacher collects and scores the completed Analyze, Interpret, Rehearse, Evaluate, & Refine Worksheet for Advanced and the Performance Evaluation for Advanced forms providing feedback as appropriate.

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Model Cornerstone Assessment (updated 2017)  
Accomplished/Advanced Ensembles Performing
## Selecting Music Worksheet for Accomplished and Advanced: Complete for each work performed

**Accomplished:** Select three contrasting works or sections of music that include technical/musical challenges.

**Advanced:** Select music (15-20 minute recital) from various genres and styles/different cultures/historical periods that include technical/musical challenges.

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Date: __________________

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1a) Describe the reason for selection and the connection to purpose and context of performance: *(submit typed on separate document)*

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For **ADVANCED Level:** *(submit typed on separate document)*

1d) Describe what you have learned about the Historical/Cultural context that influenced your decisions for this work.

1e) Show the formal structure within the composition of each section.
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<td>Identified multiple relevant challenges generally related to the technical skills and expressive qualities needed to perform the work.</td>
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<td>1c) Improvement Goals.</td>
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### Music Selection Scoring Device: Advanced

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<td>Identified minimal historical/cultural background generally related to the works.</td>
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<td>1e) Awareness of the Formal Structure in each work and relationship to specific segments.</td>
<td>Provided a general recognition of formal structure without direct connections to each work.</td>
<td>Demonstrated an understanding of the formal structure without evidence of relationship of structural components.</td>
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Rehearsal Worksheet: Analyze, Interpret, Rehearse, Evaluate, and Refine (Accomplished)
Student Name: _____________________

Select specific measures (segments) from your musical works that exhibit technical/expressive challenges and respond to the prompts below. Provide measure numbers and describe using appropriate musical vocabulary.
(submit word-processed document for each work.)

Name of Work:
Composer/Arranger:

1. **Analyze:** Prior to rehearsals identify specific technical/expressive challenges

2. **Interpret:** As you rehearse, describe specific areas that you discover in the composition where you feel the composer/arranger intended you as performer to connect with the audience for an expressive experience and what you should do to achieve this intent.

3. **Rehearse, Evaluate, and Refine:** Describe your specific rehearsal plan to achieve your previously-mentioned musical goals, then following each rehearsal identify the extent to which you achieved these goals and revisions made to ultimately reach an effective performance.
Rehearsal Worksheet: Analyze, Interpret, Rehearse, Evaluate, and Refine (Advanced)

Student Name: _________________________

Select specific measures (segments) from your musical works that exhibit technical/expressive challenges. (submit word-processed document for each work.)

Name of Work:
Composer/Arranger:

1. Analyze: Using appropriate musical vocabulary, identify specific examples with measure numbers of:
   a) Technical challenges (e.g., pitch/rhythm reading, tone production, range).
   b) Expressive elements and interpretive ideas that will be important for rehearsal and performance (e.g., dynamics, articulation, rhythm, harmony, melody, tonality, tone color, form, nuance, phrasing, texture).
   c) Compositional features and devices used by the composer/arranger that are important for your consideration (e.g., repetition, variety, tension, range).
   d) Historical, cultural, social, and performance context of the work that may influence decisions made for rehearsal.

2. Interpret: Describe specific areas in the composition where you feel the composer/arranger intended expressive experience for the audience and what you, as a performer, should do to achieve this intent.

3. Rehearse, Evaluate, and Refine: Describe your specific rehearsal plan to achieve your previously-mentioned musical goals, then following each rehearsal identify the extent to which you achieved these goals and revisions made to ultimately reach an effective performance.
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**Analyze** - Analyze the structure and context of varied musical works and their implications for performance.  
**Interpret** - Develop personal interpretations that consider creators' intent.  
**Rehearse, Evaluate and Refine** - Evaluate and refine personal and ensemble performances, individually or in collaboration with others.

#### Analysis
- Appropriately identified some general compositional devices and structural aspects within the work, and inferred how knowing this guides preparation for performance without providing specific reference.
- Comprehensively identified and described specific compositional and structural devices within the work and how they guided preparation for performance.
- Insightfully described how compositional and structural devices within the work may inform preparation and impact performance.
- Demonstrated depth of understanding as to how compositional and structural devices within the work may inform preparation and impact performance.

**MU:Pr4.2.E.IIa** Document and demonstrate, using music reading skills where appropriate, how compositional devices employed and theoretical and structural aspects of musical works may impact and inform prepared and improvised performances.

#### Interpretation
- Appropriately interpreted a few expressive qualities used in the work while neglecting others.
- Demonstrated clear understanding of how expressive qualities are interpreted through performance.
- Demonstrated insightful interpretation of style, genre, and context of expressive qualities and the connection to necessary technical skills.
- Exhibited in-depth interpretation of expressive qualities and the connection to necessary technical skills.

**MU:Pr4.3.E.IIa** Demonstrate how understanding the style, genre, and context of a varied repertoire of music influences prepared and improvised performances as well as performers' technical skill to connect with the audience.

#### Rehearsal Plan
- Developed appropriate, but incomplete strategies to address previously identified technical challenges and expressive qualities in the work.
- Developed comprehensive, but general strategies to address previously identified technical challenges and expressive qualities in the work.
- Developed in-depth strategies to address individual and ensemble technical challenges providing insight into expressive qualities of performance.
- Developed insightful consideration of technical challenges and expressive qualities appropriately applied in the rehearsal strategies.

**MU:Pr5.3.E.IIa** Develop and apply appropriate rehearsal strategies to address individual and ensemble challenges in a varied repertoire of music, and evaluate their success.

#### Evaluate/Refine
- Self-evaluated performance and developed general, but not comprehensive strategies for rehearsal.
- Appropriately self-evaluated performance and developed reasonable strategies for rehearsal.
- Insightfully self-evaluated performance and developed advanced strategies for rehearsal.
- Demonstrated enhanced depth of evaluation skills in the refinement process.

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Rehearsal Scoring Device: Accomplished  

**Student Name:** ____________________________  

**Work rehearsed:** ____________________________

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Accomplished/Advanced Ensembles Performing
### Analyze - Analyze the structure and context of varied musical works and their implications for performance.

**Level 1 (Emerging)**
- Comprehensively identified and described specific compositional and structural devices within the work and how they guided preparation for performance.

**Level 2 (Approaches Criterion)**
- Insightfully described how compositional and structural devices within the work may inform preparation and impact performance.

**Level 3 (Meets Criterion)**
- Demonstrated depth of understanding as to how compositional and structural devices within the work may inform preparation and impact performance.

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### Interpret - Develop personal interpretations that consider creators’ intent.

**Level 1 (Emerging)**
- Demonstrated clear understanding of how expressive qualities are interpreted through performance.

**Level 2 (Approaches Criterion)**
- Demonstrated insightful interpretation of style, genre, and context of expressive qualities and the connection to necessary technical skills.

**Level 3 (Meets Criterion)**
- Exhibited in-depth interpretation of expressive qualities and the connection to necessary technical skills.

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### Rehearse, Evaluate and Refine - Evaluate and refine personal and ensemble performances, individually or in collaboration with others.

**Level 1 (Emerging)**
- Developed comprehensive, but general strategies to address previously identified technical challenges and expressive qualities in the work.

**Level 2 (Approaches Criterion)**
- Developed in-depth strategies to address individual and ensemble technical challenges providing insight into expressive qualities of performance.

**Level 3 (Meets Criterion)**
- Demonstrated insightful consideration of technical challenges and expressive qualities appropriately applied in the rehearsal strategies.

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### Evaluate/Refine

**Level 1 (Emerging)**
- Appropriately self-evaluated performance and developed reasonable strategies for rehearsal.

**Level 2 (Approaches Criterion)**
- Insightfully self-evaluated performance and developed advanced strategies for rehearsal.

**Level 3 (Meets Criterion)**
- Demonstrated enhanced depth of evaluation skills in the refinement process.
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**Tone Production**
- Exhibited incidental challenges in tone production (e.g., breathy, lack of register consistency, lacking resonance range extremes).
- Exhibited clear tone production throughout.
- Exhibited clear and mature tone production throughout.
- Exhibited nuance in manipulating tone quality for expressive purposes while maintaining clear and mature tone production throughout.

**Rhythm and Pulse Accuracy**
- Performed nearly all rhythms accurately, with minor exceptions, in a consistent and steady pulse for the majority of the performance.
- Performed all rhythms accurately with a consistent and steady pulse.
- Performed all rhythms accurately with a consistent and steady pulse with appropriate expressive enhancements.
- Demonstrated personal rhythmic interpretation appropriate for style, genre, and/or historical period.

**Pitch and Intonation Accuracy**
(score only for pitched instruments and vocal performance)
- Maintained pitch and intonation accuracy throughout the performance with periodic exceptions. (e.g., extreme ranges may suffer and performer fails to adjust).
- Accurate and in tune throughout with adjustments made as needed across the ranges of the work being performed.
- Exhibited expressive manipulation of pitch while maintaining appropriate accuracy and intonation throughout.
- Exhibited creative, yet appropriate decisions of expressive manipulation of pitch while maintaining appropriate accuracy and intonation throughout.

**Expressive Qualities/Stylistic Interpretation**
- Demonstrated appropriate expressive qualities representative of stylistic/composer intent with minimal nuance.
- Consistent application of appropriate expressive qualities representative of stylistic/composer intent with attention to nuance and sub-phrasing as a means to connect with the listener.
- Exhibited insightful expressive qualities representative of stylistic/composer and personal intent with attention to nuance and sub-phrasing as a means to connect with the listener.
- Exhibited highly mature manipulation of expressive qualities representative of stylistic/composer and personal intent with attention to nuance and sub-phrasing as a means to connect with the listener.

**MU:Pr6.1.E.IIa** Demonstrate mastery of the technical demands and an understanding of expressive qualities of the music in prepared and improvised performances of a varied repertoire representing diverse cultures, styles, genres, and historical periods.

**MU:Pr6.1.E.IIb** Demonstrate an understanding of intent as a means for connecting with an audience through prepared and improvised performances.

**MU:Pr4.3.E.IIa** Demonstrate how understanding the style, genre, and context of a varied repertoire of music influences prepared and improvised performances as well as performers’ technical skill to connect with the audience.
### Performance Evaluation: Advanced

**Student Name:** ____________________________  **Work performed:** ____________________________

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**Present** - Perform expressively, with appropriate interpretation and technical accuracy, and in a manner appropriate to the audience and context.

### Tone Production
- Exhibited clear tone production throughout.
- Exhibited clear and mature tone production throughout.
- Exhibited nuance in manipulating tone quality for expressive purposes while maintaining clear and mature tone production throughout.

MU:Cr6.1.E.IIIa Demonstrate an understanding and mastery of the technical demands and expressive qualities of the music through prepared and improvised performances of a varied repertoire representing diverse cultures, styles, genres, and historical periods in multiple types of ensembles.

### Rhythm and Pulse Accuracy
- Performed all rhythms accurately with a consistent and steady pulse.
- Performed all rhythms accurately with a consistent and steady pulse with appropriate expressive enhancements.
- Demonstrated personal rhythmic interpretation appropriate for style, genre, and/or historical period.

MU:Pr6.1.E.IIIb Demonstrate an ability to connect with audience members before and during the process of engaging with and responding to them through prepared and improvised performances.

### Pitch and Intonation Accuracy
- Accurate and in tune throughout with adjustments made as needed across the ranges of the work being performed.
- Exhibited expressive manipulation of pitch while maintaining appropriate accuracy and intonation throughout.
- Exhibited creative, yet appropriate decisions of expressive manipulation of pitch while maintaining appropriate accuracy and intonation throughout.

MU:Pr4.3.E.IIIa Demonstrate how understanding the style, genre, and context of a varied repertoire of music informs prepared and improvised performances as well as performers' technical skill to connect with the audience.

### Expressive Qualities/Stylistic Interpretation
- Consistent application of appropriate expressive qualities representative of stylistic/composer intent with attention to nuance and sub-phrasing as a means to connect with the listener.
- Exhibited insightful expressive qualities representative of stylistic/composer and personal intent with attention to nuance and sub-phrasing as a means to connect with the listener.
- Exhibited highly mature manipulation of expressive qualities representative of stylistic/composer and personal intent with attention to nuance and sub-phrasing as a means to connect with the listener.

Teacher Feedback offered on the back of this sheet:
Differentiation Strategies

The teacher will probably have to add specific skill rubrics to the performance assessment for your own scoring to address specific learning in your curricular expectations. (Instructional approaches that respond to individual student needs and strengths to maximize student learning and success.)


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