

CBDA/California Alliance for Jazz (CAJ)
All State Jazz Choir 2019
Recording Instructions
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This process involves both you and your director. Please ensure you read the following instructions VERY CAREFULLY. Auditions must be submitted digitally (follow directions below) by December 1st, 2018.

NEW Audition Requirements for the 2018-19 Cycle!

If you do not follow these instructions, your audition will be DISQUALIFIED.

- Select to audition for the following voice options ONLY: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass
- No speaking/talking/verbal count-off of any kind (pre-recorded Aebersold or professional backtrack count-off is ok)
- Accompaniments such as Aebersold or Band in a Box are accepted for pieces #4 and #5 only. You may sing with live accompaniment, but DO NOT HAVE ANY SPEAKING on your recordings.
- **Only digital auditions will be accepted from now on.** You must upload your audition tracks to Dropbox and **share it as “CAN EDIT”** with the CASMEC Jazz Coordinator at casmecjazz@gmail.com. **The coordinator will ensure the auditions are blind by downloading/renaming files after the submission period closes.**

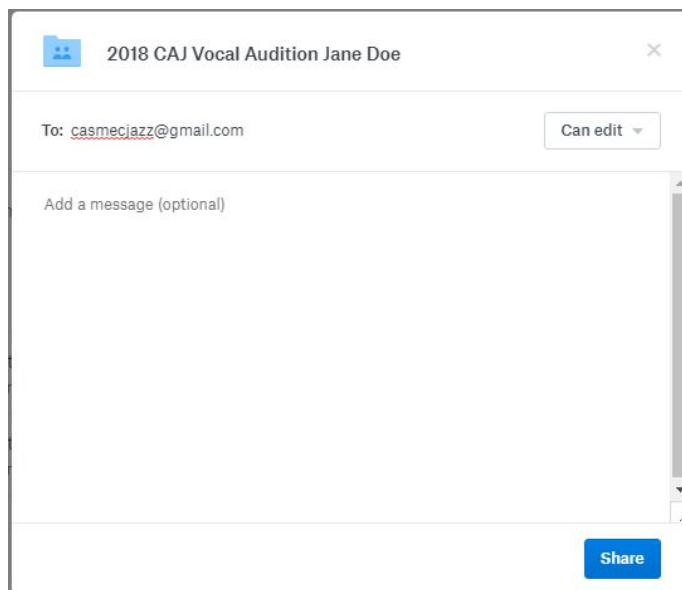
After reading all instructions, if you have questions please contact the Vocal Jazz Manager **Alana Hill** at shaphillmusic@gmail.com

AUDITION UPLOAD INSTRUCTIONS

WHEN YOU ARE READY TO SUBMIT:

1. Create a Dropbox account (this is free!), then create a **NEW SHARED FOLDER** with the name “2018 CAJ Vocal Jazz Audition” followed by your First and Last name. **INVITE** “casmecjazz@gmail.com” and select **CAN EDIT** as a preference.

Ex: “2018 CAJ Vocal Audition Jane Doe”



2. In the folder, upload each of your audition tracks. There will only be 5 sound files in this folder, and **all must be in MP3 format.**
3. Each piece/scale must be uploaded as a **separate track as an MP3.**
4. File name must be title of the piece/scale and nothing else.

Ex: "Chromatic Scale.mp3"

AUDITIONS WITH FILE NAMES THAT DO NOT FOLLOW THESE RULES WILL BE DQ'd

5. Fill out the Registration Form at <https://goo.gl/forms/xkBXlehLpdGVtTCx1>, and save a copy for your records.
6. Go to cajazz.org and pay your \$25 fee to audition via Paypal.
7. Your school music director must be a member of CAJ in order for you to participate in the All-State Jazz Choir. To join CAJ, they need to go to: www.cajazz.org and follow the instructions for membership. Membership will be verified with the CAJ Treasurer for each audition submitted. **Directors who are not active members by Jan 5, 2019 will have their student's audition's DQ'd.**
8. **To fill out your application, go to:** <https://goo.gl/forms/xkBXlehLpdGVtTCx1>

2019 Audition Music includes*:

1. Chromatic Scale (one octave, ascending and descending, eighth notes at q = 120)
 - a. Your choice of syllables.
2. Blues Scale (one octave, ascending and descending, eighth notes at q = 120)
 - a. Your choice of syllables.
3. "London By Night" Carroll Coates Arr. Gene Puerling
 - a. Sing the Voice Part you are auditioning for.
 - b. For split vocal parts within your chosen voice, choose either and be sure to continue to sing this part to the end of the piece.
4. "I'm Old Fashioned" by Jerome Kern and Johnny Mercer
 - a. Do not improvise for this track.
5. Blues Improvisation (2-3 choruses any key)
 - a. No non-blues type tunes (in regards to harmonic changes and form) will be accepted.

***Do not record anything other than what was listed above or you will be disqualified.**

IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFO:

Those who are selected will pay a participation fee, which will be approximately \$400 due in mid-January. Those students that are selected will perform on a concert, with a few days of rehearsal, for the California All-State Music Educators Conference in Fresno, CA on February 14th-16th, 2018. Concert will be held on Friday, February 15th, 2018.

Please address any questions to Ms. Alana Hill at shaphillmusic@gmail.com

Directors must also be members of the California Alliance for Jazz (CAJ)

Register and Pay at www.cajazz.org

IMPORTANT: Postmark deadline is December 1, 2018