

Concert/Recital Etiquette

As an audience member of a concert or recital, there are certain items of etiquette that you must observe:

- Arrive well in advance of the start of any concert or recital. Don't mingle about talking – find a seat and sit! Plan to stay for the entire performance. Do not leave early for any reason.
- If you do arrive late, do not walk in while a performance is in progress. Wait until there is applause or until the performer is leaving the stage and then find the nearest empty seat.
- Do not talk or do anything that would be distracting to the performer during a performance.
- Turn off all cell phones, beepers or watches that may make noise!
- No use of computers is allowed during concerts or recitals.
- Remove your hats.
- Do not bring small children to performances. It is unfair to them and to the performers.
- When pieces are performed that have more than one movement, do not applaud between the movements. Wait until the entire piece has been performed.
- For concerts and recitals (other than the daytime student recitals), please dress accordingly. Performances are special events and audience members should wear appropriate concert dress.