



2025-2026 Santa Barbara Strings Calendar

Auditions: in-person on Sunday **August 24th**, OR submit video by Tuesday, **August 19th** [Audition Info](#)

Sunday, September 7th: orchestra rehearsals begin.

TOCCATA & SINFONIETTA orchestras: Sundays from 2:30-3:30pm

VIVACE Orchestra: Sundays from 3:30-5:30pm

Week of Sunday, September 14th - chamber music ensemble rehearsals begin.

*All orchestras and chamber music ensembles rehearse weekly through mid-May, except where noted.

** All rehearsals take place at El Montecito Presbyterian Church, 1455 East Valley Road, Santa Barbara, CA unless otherwise noted.

ESTP Group Lessons: Sundays once a month from 1:30-2:30. Usually the first Sunday of each month, except when noted. Dates (Jan-May) Jan. 18th, Feb. 1nd, March 1nd, April 12th, May 3rd, concert Saturday, May 9th.

November 23rd: rehearsals as usual for TOCCATA and SINFONIETTA.

***VIVACE:** arrive 3:45pm Valle Verde, rehearsal 4:00-4:30pm, **Concert 4:30-5:30pm at Valle Verde Retirement Community, 900 Calle De Los Amigos, Santa Barbara.**

November 30th: no rehearsals on Thanksgiving weekend

Saturday, December 13th: Winter Concert, 4:00pm

Hahn Hall, Music Academy of the West

Dress Rehearsals begin at approx. 12pm

Tuesday, December 16th: Chamber Ensemble Masterclass with Mary Beth Woodruff, 5:00pm

all ensembles performing, El Montecito Presbyterian Church, Sanctuary

Winter Break - December 17th – January 10th

Sunday, January 11th – orchestras & chamber ensemble rehearsals resume.

April 5th: no rehearsal on EASTER Sunday

Saturday, May 9th: Spring Concert, 4:00pm

Hahn Hall, Music Academy of the West

Dress Rehearsals begin at approx. 12pm

Sunday, May 17th: Spring Chamber Ensembles Recital, 4:00pm

all ensembles performing, El Montecito Presbyterian Church, Sanctuary

Questions? e-mail sbstrings@gmail.com

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