



AT HOME GUIDE FOR INSTRUMENT RECORDINGS

Recording Set-Up & How to Upload



DO I HAVE THE RIGHT DEVICES?

In order to achieve the best sound possible, the following devices should be used:

- Laptop/Desktop
- Phone
- iPad/Tablet
- External Mic (*this is optional but will definitely make a difference)



VIDEO & AUDIO SET-UP

Set-up is KEY for getting a good recording! Here are some tips to ensure a quality video:

- If you're using a phone, use the back camera and film in landscape mode
- Be mindful of your lighting. We'd like to be able to see your face, not just a giant orb of light or dark silhouette
- Use an external mic if you have one (USB, Zoom Recorder, etc.)
- Be mindful of where you position your mic (ex. if you play a brass instrument, don't put your mic directly in front of your bell)



WHAT DO I WEAR?

In keeping with regular performance situations, we ask that you wear the same types of clothing you would to a live audition.

- Black Pants/Skirt
- White Shirt/Blouse
- Black shoes & socks
- Something semi-formal (dress, trousers & collared shirt, etc.)



MUSICIAN SET-UP

Now that you have your space set up to record your instrument, it's also important to make sure you look your best! Here are some tips:

- If possible, have someone film for you (make sure they have a steady hand), or just rest your device on your stand
- It is important to center yourself in the frame so that we see your body and your instrument - make sure you are not being blocked by your stand



UPLOADING MY VIDEO

Now that you've completed your amazing video, we need you to upload it to a platform where we can view it. Please make sure you do **EVERYTHING** stated below:

- Upload your completed video to your computer or other device
- Create a YouTube account or use an already existing one
- Go to "Upload Video" and follow the instructions provided by YouTube
- Be sure to set the video to **UNLISTED** - double check to see if the link works **BEFORE** sending it to us
- Once it's uploaded to YouTube, copy the video URL & send it to ann@thekyo.org
- We will send you a confirmation email once we receive your submission