

Frequently Asked Questions

Who will play at my event?

If you have checked out the musicians page, you probably noticed that CPSTL has only four core members. We only hire the best freelance musicians in St. Louis to complete our ensembles. As many core members of CPSTL as possible will play at your event.

How many musicians should I hire?

This is a completely personal choice. While we love the full sound of a flute or string quartet, a string duo or flute trio is just as lovely. It depends on the size of your venue and your budget. For outdoor events we recommend a quartet for the perfect amount of sound. A small church or intimate room may require only a duo. It is your decision, but we are happy to advise.

Do you charge for travel?

If your venue is within our "home zone" of 35 miles each way, there is no travel charge. We are based in South City and all mileage is calculated from 3156 Geyer Avenue St Louis MO 63104 using googlemaps. Additional mileage is \$.40/duo, \$.60/trio and \$.80/quartet per mile each way.

How do I reserve my date and time?

We must receive your \$50 non-refundable deposit(check payable to Chamber Project St. Louis) and the Performance Contracts in order to hold your date and time. Please mail both items to: Laura Reycraft 3156 Geyer Avenue St Louis MO 63104. Once Laura has received your deposit and contract, she will email you confirmation and a musical selection form.

What are the terms of payment?

Your \$50 non-refundable deposit is subtracted from the total amount owed. We accept check(payable to Chamber Project St. Louis) or cash. The balance on your account must be paid at least seven days before your event.

I don't see my favorite song on your list. Can you find it for me?

This involves purchasing music or arranging the piece for the instrumentation you have selected. We are happy to accommodate special requests for an additional fee.

Will you perform outdoors?

Yes, but we have a few requirements. Our instruments are very expensive and require special care. We must be in the shade, ideally under a tent. The temperature cannot be colder than 60 degrees or warmer than 90 degrees. Also, we need flat, dry ground on which to set up. If it is extremely windy, our music may attempt to fly off of the music stand and string player's bows may be blown away from the strings. Please consider all of these uncontrollable variables when you book us for an outdoor event!

What will you wear at my event?

Musicians usually wear all black as to complement our surroundings, but not draw attention to ourselves. We will look sharp and professional in dress black clothes. If you would rather that we wear white and black, just let us know.

What is the day of event procedure?

We will arrive 15-30 minutes before we are scheduled to begin playing in order to set up our music stands and instruments and meet the coordinator or host/hostess. Please have armless chairs waiting in the area that you would like us to perform. For a quartet we need about 10'x10' of space, trio 7'x7' and duo 5'x5'. We provide our own music stands. Please consider that we will need adequate lighting to read our music.

Thank you for choosing Chamber Project Saint Louis for your event entertainment.