

Manhattan School of Music New Student Orientation 2009 to MSM and Beyond!!!

ANNOTATED SCHEDULE

This orientation program has been designed for you, the new Manhattan School of Music student, to introduce you to the school, to New York City, and—in the case of international students—to the United States. The following programs will assist you in the transition to your new life on and off campus. We encourage you to participate in all programs that are applicable to you and your program of study. Orientation week is full of fun and informative events and is a great way to make new friends. Enjoy!

Wednesday, August 19

*****MOVE IN FOR NEW STUDENTS ONLY*****

8:00am - 1:00pm **Check-in to School and Andersen Hall** **Borden Auditorium**

1:00 pm - 1:55pm **Parents/Guardians-Tour of the School** **Meet in School Lobby**
Parents have an opportunity to see more of Manhattan School of Music.

2:00pm - 2:55pm **Welcome, Healthcare, Insurance, & Residence Life Meeting** **Borden**
Students and parents meet the Student Life staff as well as representatives from various administrative offices. Information on the school's insurance plan will be provided.

3:00pm - 3:25pm **Getting Around NYC and Coffee Break** **Ades & Miller Corridor**
Information about transportation, safety, and tips about the city will be available. Questions can be directed to current residents and New Yorkers about living in the "Big Apple".

3:30pm - 4:25pm **Students-Relating to One Another** **Ades Performance Space**
*This is a presentation to the **new students** of Manhattan School of Music that gives them a "heads up" as to what they may encounter in their personal lives as a young adult in college.*

3:30pm - 4:25pm **Parents/Guardians-Transitions** **Miller Recital Hall**

The Office of Student and Residence Life is here to answer questions and concerns regarding the transition of being the parent of a college student. In this meeting parents can ask questions and learn helpful ways in which to be supportive to their child as both parties adjust to their new environments.

4:30pm - 5:15pm **Parents/Guardians-Relating to One Another** **Miller Recital Hall**
*This is a presentation designed to inform **parents and guardians** about the many personal challenges their child may face in their first year of college.*

4:30pm - 5:15pm **Students-Transitions** **Ades Performance Space**
The Office of Student and Residence Life is here to support you during your transition into college life. There are many things waiting for you here that will be exciting and pleasurable, others that will be a challenge and an adjustment. In this meeting you will learn how to get accustomed to your new environment.

5:15pm **Purchase MetroCards and Farewell Dinner with Family**
Here is your chance to buy a MetroCard to use during orientation as well as your time in NY! Head over to the local subway station at 116th or 125th streets. This is also a time to say a temporary good-bye to your loved ones over dinner either in the cafeteria or in one of the many nearby restaurants.

8:30pm - 9:30pm **Floor Meetings** **Andersen Hall**
Here's your chance to meet your Resident Assistants and floor mates.

8:30pm - 9:30pm **Commuter Meeting** **School Lobby**
Come and meet fellow students who live off campus. This is an opportunity to ask questions of students and staff.

9:30pm - 11:30pm **Student Welcome Social** **Ades Terrace**
This is the kick-off party of the year! Meet and mingle with fellow classmates!

Thursday, August 20

8:30am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**
Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

9:00am - 10:55am **MSM @ a Glance** **Greenfield Hall**
*This is **MANDATORY** for **all new students**. In this session, subjects that will be discussed include: Practice Rooms, Guests, IDs, and Recital Policies. (This is **MANDATORY** for all new students). You will meet the people that make Manhattan School of Music run smoothly from day to day.*

11:00am - 11:45pm **Scheduling Presentation- Undergraduates** **Miller Recital Hall**
*Come learn about the proper procedures to schedule practice rooms, performance spaces and classrooms. **This meeting is for Transfers & Undergrads only.***

11:00am - 11:45am **Registrar Presentation- Graduate Students** **Ades Perf. Space**
*Do you need proof of enrollment or copies of your transcripts? Do you have a problem with your schedule? Visit the registrar presentation to get the answers you need.
This meeting is for Graduates only.*

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This meeting is Transfers and Undergrads only.*

12:40pm - 1:40pm **Peer-to-Peer: Graduates** **Ades Perf. Space**
Helping each other Survive
*Which is the best bank for me? Where is the best place to get lunch? When is the best time to practice? Let current MSM students give you an insider's look at day-to-day life in New York City. **This meeting is for Graduates only.***

12:40pm - 1:40pm **Peer-to-Peer: Undergraduates** **Miller Recital Hall**
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1:45pm - 3:45pm **International Student Orientation** **Room 610**
*****Lunch Provided*****
*Learn about Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, discuss adjusting to life in the United States, and make new friends with other international students. Bring your passport with white I-94 card and the I-20 from Manhattan School of Music, as well as your previous school's I-20(s) and 2019 (formerly the IAP-66), if applicable. This meeting will be led by Michael Lockhart, International Student Advisor (212-749-2802, ext. 4460).
Transfers, Graduates, and Undergrads are welcome to attend this meeting.*

4:00pm - 5:30pm **Welcome Meeting-ALL** **Borden Auditorium**
*This is a **MANDATORY** meeting. Join us for a warm welcome from Elsa Jean Davidson, Dean of Students; Cathy Raynis-Meeker, Director of Student and Residence Life; Amy Anderson, Director of Admission and Financial Aid; Representatives from Student Council, as well as all of our Senior Staff.*
sign-up in advance

5:30pm **Leave for Cruise from Welcome Meeting** **Depart from School Lobby**

6:30pm **Check in for the CRUISE!!** **Pier 83, 42nd Street**
*The boat for the cruise is leaving at **6:55pm sharp**- so arrive early and make sure to check in early at Pier 83!*
sign-up in advance

7:00pm - 10:00pm **CRUISE!!!** ****On The Hudson****
*Immediately following the welcome meeting, Orientation Leaders will guide you to the pier for the welcome cruise. This is a great opportunity to get to know other students and to get a great view of the New York City skyline. Come aboard for a light dinner, dancing, and fun. This event is free for all new students. **Have your MetroCard ready**, as we will depart directly for the cruise from welcome meeting.*

Friday, August 21

8:30am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**
Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

9:00am - 12:00pm **Cecil Distributors-Refrigerator Delivery** **Andersen Hall Lobby**

9:00am - 9:30am **Graduate Dictation Exam** **Rms 607, 610**
This is required for all new classical graduate students. Please bring your picture ID, pencil, and eraser. See the placement and qualifying exams flyer for more information.

9:30am - 11:30am **Graduate Theory Placement Exam** **Rms 607, 610**
*This exam is required for all **new classical graduate students**. Please bring your picture ID, pencil, and eraser.*

9:00am - 12:00pm **Jazz Required Piano** **Rms 507, 509**
*Go to Room 507 at 9:00am to receive instruction and sign up for an individual evaluation. Jazz pianists are **NOT** required to take this exam.*

11:00am - 12:00pm Undergraduate Tour of Library Peter J. Sharp Library
The tour will give an overview of the library resources as well as an introduction to the performance library. This tour is for undergraduate students only.

1:00pm - 2:15pm Undergraduate Career Talk Miller Recital Hall
Have you ever wondered what it's like after graduation? Hear from former students about what their lives are like in the "real world". This talk is for Transfers and Undergrads only.

1:00pm - 4:00pm Graduate Aural Skills Exam Rms 409, 410, 411, 412
This exam is required for all new classical graduate students. Please bring your picture ID, pencil, and eraser.

4:00pm - 5:00pm Graduate Soiree Ades Perf. Space
*Here is a great opportunity to unwind after a long day of meetings and tests! Come meet fellow graduate students while enjoying complimentary wine and hors'dourves
*sign-up in advance**

5:00pm Movie Night Out-Undergrad Depart from School Lobby
*Take your pick from available show times at the AMC Loews at Lincoln Square.
sign-up in advance/mail check/bring money for snacks/bring MetroCard*

6:30pm - 10:00pm Dinner & Dancing @ Iguana New York Depart from School Lobby
Graduates Only (21+)
*Come out for a night at a wonderful mid-town Mexican restaurant. Then, join us on the dance floor where the DJ will be playing Latin and Hip Hop music.
This event is for Graduates only, 21+
sign-up in advance/mail check/bring money for beverages & salsa dancing/bring MetroCard*

Saturday, August 22

8:30am - 5:00pm Welcome Table School Lobby
A table of Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

9:15am - 12:00pm Music History Placement Exam Borden Auditorium
Required for NEW Grad students and ALL transfer students. This exam is optional for all other students.

2:00pm - 5:30pm Required Piano Placement Exams Rms 507, 509, 510
CLASSICAL non- piano majors-Transfers, Graduates, Undergrads

2:00pm - 5:30pm Keyboard Skills Placement Exams Rms 512, 513, 514

Classical Pianists ONLY-Transfers, Graduates, Undergrads

5:00pm - 11:00pm **Dinner and a Broadway Show** **Depart from School Lobby**
John's Pizzeria & HAIR

We will dine at John's Pizzeria (260 West 44th st), and afterwards proceed directly to the theatre to see HAIR (Hirschfield Theatre 302 W 45th st).

**sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring MetroCard/ALL New Students*

Sunday, August 23

11:00am - 4:00pm **IKEA Trip** **Depart from School Lobby**

Join us for a trip to the new IKEA in Brooklyn. We will be traveling via subway and water taxi.

**sign-up in advance*/bring money/ALL New Students*

6:00pm - 8:00pm **Local Restaurant Tour** **Depart from School Lobby**

Choose where to have dinner from one of the many local restaurants within blocks of the school.

**sign-up in advance*/bring money/ ALL New Students*

9:00pm - 11:00pm **Open Mic Night** **Ades Perf. Space**

Come to Ades Performance Space and enjoy a performance by one of MSM's combos. This is your own chance to sing, play, perform a poem, or anything you like! ALL New Students welcome!

Monday, August 24

8:30am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**

A table of Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

9:00am - 9:30am **Undergrad Dictation Placement Exam** **Rms 607, 610**

9:30am - 12:00pm **Undergraduate Theory Placement Exam** **Rms 607, 610**

9:00am - 1:00pm **Jazz Theory and Ear Training Exam** **Rms UG-511, G-513**
Undergraduate and Graduate

11:00am - 12:00pm **Graduate Tour of Library** **Peter J. Sharp Library**

*The tour will give an overview of the library resources as well as an introduction to the performance library. **This tour is for graduate students only.***

1:00pm - 2:15pm **Graduate Career Talk** **Miller Recital Hall**
Have you ever wondered what it's like after graduation? Hear from former students about what their lives are like in the "real world". This talk is for Transfers and Graduates only.

1:00pm - 4:00pm **Undergraduate Aural Skills** **Rms 409,410,411,412**

2:00pm - 4:00pm **Jazz Music History Placement Exam** **Rm 606**
Graduates and Transfer Students

3:00pm - 4:00pm **Dual Degree Meeting** **Rm 610**

This meeting is for those students who are enrolled in the dual degree program with Manhattan School of Music and Columbia University.

4:00pm - 5:30pm **Vocal Department Meeting** **Greenfield Hall**
Classical Voice Majors ONLY

6:00pm - 9:00pm **African Dance Class** **Depart from School Lobby**
*Embrace the rhythms of West Africa at this 2 hour dance class (\$5 donation for live music).
sign-up in advance/bring MetroCard/bring money/ALL New Students*

7:30pm - 10:00pm **Dinner, Live Jazz and Jam Session** **Depart from School Lobby**
@ Cleopatra's Needle
*Enjoy a meal at this Mediterranean restaurant where jazz musicians frequent and have regular jam sessions and performances. Price includes dinner, dessert, and one non-alcoholic beverage. Bring money for additional items.
sign-up in advance/mail a check/bring MetroCard/ALL New Students*

Tuesday, August 25

*****OPERA AUDITIONS BEGIN*****

9:00am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**
Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

10:00am - 11:30am **Piano Department Meeting** **Greenfield Hall**
New Classical Pianists

12:00pm - 1:00pm **Outreach Orientation** **Rm 610**
Find out information regarding opportunities to work in the New York City community to share, perform, and teach music. ALL students may attend this meeting.

1:00pm - 5:00pm **Jazz Improvisation Placement** **Rms 511, 513**

All Jazz

12:30pm - 4:00pm **American Museum of Natural History** **Depart from School Lobby**
Come explore one of New York City's most famous museums!
**sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring MetroCard/ALL Students*

6:00pm - 10:00pm **Tapas & Dancing at** **Depart from School Lobby**
 Camaradas el Barrio
Enjoy dinner and music at a great Puerto Rican tapas bar in the heart of Spanish Harlem
**sign-up in advance*/bring money/bring MetroCard/UG only*

Wednesday, August 26

*****OPERA AUDITIONS*****

*****RETURNING STUDENTS MOVE IN*****

9:00am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**
Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

9:00am - 11:00am **Cecil Distributors Refrigerator Delivery** **Andersen Hall Lobby**

9:30am - 3:00pm **Bronx Zoo** **Depart from School Lobby**
Venture out of Manhattan to the famous Bronx Zoo.
**sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New Students*

3:30pm - 4:30pm **Accompanying Meeting** **Rm. 130**
All New Accompanying Majors

5:00pm - 10:00pm **Dinner and a Broadway Show** **Depart from School Lobby**
*We will dine at **Film Center Café** (635 9th Ave), and afterwards proceed directly to the theatre to see **Jersey Boys** (August Wilson Theatre 245 West 52nd Street).*
**sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New Students*

Thursday 27

*****OPERA AUDITIONS*****

9:00am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**

Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

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| 10:00am - 11:00am | Tours of Recording
& Distance Learning Studios
<i>Graduates & Returning</i> | Rm 238 |
| 11:00am – 12:00pm | Tours of Recording
& Distance Learning Studios
<i>Undergrads and Transfers</i> | Rm 238 |
| 12:00pm - 3:00pm | Boat/Bus Tour with NYC Ducks
<i>Experience a tour of NY like no other! This bus turns into a boat, folks! Get a land and water tour of the beloved Big Apple.</i>
<i>*sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring MetroCard/ALL New Students</i> | Depart from School Lobby |
| 3:15pm - 4:00pm | Woodwind Department Meeting
<i>All Woodwind Majors</i> | Rm 610 |
| 4:00pm - 5:00pm | Introduction to Sound and Recording
For Musicians
<i>Transfers and Undergrads</i>
<i>*sign-up in advance*</i> | Miller Recital Hall |
| 5:00pm - 6:00pm | Introduction to Sound
and Recording for Musicians
<i>Graduates</i>
<i>*sign-up in advance*</i> | Miller Recital Hall |
| 6:45pm - 11:00pm | Broadway Show
<i>In The Heights</i>
Richard Rodgers Theatre
226 West 46 th Street
<i>*sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring MetroCard/ALL New</i> | Depart from School Lobby |
| 9:00pm-12:00am | A Night on the Town
in Greenwich Village
21+
<i>*sign-up in advance*/bring money/bring MetroCard/Graduates & Returning</i> | Depart from School Lobby |

Friday, August 28

*** OPERA AUDITIONS***

9:00am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**
Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

10:30am - 4:00pm **Museum of Modern Art (MoMa)** **Depart from School Lobby**
*Experience one of the most prestigious art museums in the world. Lunch on your own.
sign-up in advance/mail check/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New & Returning*

4:30pm - 5:30pm **Work-Study Meeting** **Greenfield Hall**
Get important information regarding your work-study; how to apply for jobs in school, what jobs are available, etc. Mandatory for All Work-Study Students

5:30pm - 10:00pm **Choral Placement Auditions** **Greenfield Hall**
This audition is required for all Undergraduate vocalists, pianists, composition students, guitarists, and anyone else who would like to be in choir. Look for sign-up sheets when you arrive.

6:15pm - 10:00pm **Roller Skating @** **Depart from School Lobby**
Riverbank State Park
**sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New & Returning*

Saturday, August 29

*** OPERA AUDITIONS***

9:00am - 3:00pm **Bike Tour in Riverside Park** **Depart from School Lobby**
*Rent a bike and enjoy a ride along the nearby path only minutes from the school.
sign-up in advance/mail check/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New & Returning*

6:45pm-11:00pm **FREE Opera Screening at The Lincoln Center Plaza** **Depart from School**
(Barber of Seville) **Lobby**
**sign-up in advance*/bring money/bring metro card/ALL New & Returning*

Sunday, August 30

6:45pm - 11:00pm **FREE Opera Screening at The Lincoln Center Plaza** **Depart from School**
(Romeo & Juliet) **Lobby**
**sign-up in advance*/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New & Returning*

Monday, August 31

9:00am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**
Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

9:30am - 10:00am **Wellness Sessions: Panel** **Rm. 610**
Here about the various health and mental health care programs and classes available at MSM from a panel of professionals. Includes movement classes, therapy, ear nose & throat Doctor, etc
**sign-up in advance*/ALL New & Returning*

10:35am - 11:35am **Wellness Sessions:** **Rms 507, 509, 511,**
Test it Out **513, 606, 607,610**
Here is an opportunity to try out the class you are interested in or hear more about a program in a small group with the panelist of your choice.
**sign-up in advance*/ALL New & Returning*

12:00pm - 3:30pm **Radio City and** **Depart from School Lobby**
Top of the Rock Tour
Tour the famous Radio City Music Hall and take a trip to the top of the Rockefeller building.
**sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New Students*

Tuesday, September 1

****ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS BEGIN****

9:00am - 5:00pm **Welcome Table** **School Lobby**
Orientation Leaders will be available all day every day to answer any questions you may have. Their table will be set up in the school lobby in plain view.

9:00am - 10:00am **Composition Department Meeting** **Rm 509**
All Composition Majors (New & Returning)

10:00am - 4:00pm **Statue of Liberty Tour** **Depart from School Lobby**
**sign-up in advance*/mail check/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New Students*

11:00am - 3:00pm **Lunch in Central Park** **Depart from School Lobby**
(Bring a Lunch)
**sign-up in advance*/bring money/bring MetroCard/ALL New & Returning*

3:30pm - 4:30pm	Guitar Department Meeting <i>All Guitar Majors (New & Returning)</i>	Myers Recording Studio
5:00pm - 8:00pm	Coffee with the President <i>ALL & Returning</i> <i>5:00pm-Commuters</i> <i>5:30pm-14th & 13th floors</i> <i>6:00pm-12th & 11th floors</i> <i>6:30pm-10th & 9th floors</i> <i>7:00pm-8th & 7th floors</i> <i>7:30pm-6th & 5th floors & Commuters</i>	Meet in Andersen Hall Lobby

Wednesday, September 2

ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

7:00am - 3:00pm	Get Validation Sticker for MSM IDs Before Class	School Lobby
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Jazz Drumset Majors Meeting	Rm 610
3:00pm - 4:00pm	Jazz New Student Meeting	Rm 610
4:00pm - 5:00pm	All New & Returning Jazz Students Meeting	Rm. 610
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Orchestral Performance Meeting <i>Graduates & Returning</i>	Rm 610
7:30pm - 8:00pm	Strings Department Meeting <i>All Classical Strings Majors (New & Returning)</i>	Rm 610

Thursday 3

ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS

3:00pm - 3:45pm	Office of Student and Residence Life Welcome Back Cookie Social <i>ALL New & Returning Students</i>	Ades & Miller Corridor
4:00pm	CONVOCATION CELEBRATION	Borden Auditorium

Mandatory for All New & Returning Students

Friday 4

******ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS******