

INTERESTED IN JOINING US?

For consideration for membership in the Northeast Dulcimer Orchestra, potential members should:

1. Be playing at levels “Novice Plus” or better as defined by the Dulcimer Association of Albany:

New Player: no previous dulcimer experience.

Beginner: has a little experience with the dulcimer, but needs more help with the basics.

Advanced Beginner: familiar with basic strumming and fingering, can play simple melodies and a few basic chords in DAA and/or DAD tuning.

Novice: starting to make 3-finger chords, ready to try a different tuning and a few left-hand techniques.

Novice Plus: can play 3-finger chords, learning to use a variety of strumming patterns, flat and/or finger picking, and tuning variations.

Intermediate: has experience playing in several different tunings, familiar with chords and different right and left-hand techniques. Exploring various tunings and embellishments.

Advanced: is comfortable playing in a variety of styles and tunings; the accomplished musician, ready for more challenging techniques and repertoire.

AND

2. Have a basic understanding of music notation e.g. ability to understand timing, note duration, musical symbols and roadmaps such as repeat signs, coda symbols, dynamic notations. Information on basic music notation is available on our “Playing Resources” page.

AND

3. Commit to attending rehearsals regularly and any required rehearsals as determined by the Music Director and Steering Committee.

If you meet the criteria and want to take the next step, please send an email to:

ctmtdulcimer@gmail.com