

CHICAGO PACKING LIST

Please limit yourself to one suitcase and one carry-on for the bus.
Keep in mind that with instruments, cargo space will be limited.

Average mid-April weather in Chicago: High 54, Low 35. Windy!

On the Bus:

- Pillow and blanket for bus ride
- Personal media player and HEADPHONES
- Snacks

We will not have access to cargo-hold luggage until hotel check-in Friday evening.

Bring a small carry-on for the bus including:

- Hair brush
- Contact lens solution
- Prescription medication, inhalers, epipens
- Hand wipes, if desired to freshen up
- Poncho/umbrella (depending on that weekend's Chicago weather)

We will be arriving straight to Navy Pier and the Museum of Science and Industry. There will be one short rest stop en route. Lunch will be at your own expense at Navy Pier (or pack a bag lunch to eat).

For the Trip:

- Instrument and accessories (mouthpiece, reeds, valve oil, sticks, rosin, etc.)
- Music
- Uniform for VanderCook clinics on Saturday: Raven-head t-shirts and NICE jeans (no rips, tears, etc.)
- Dress clothes (suit or dress pants, dress shirt, tie, dress shoes for young men; nice dress or pant outfit for young ladies) for Chicago Symphony concert. *Note: Please dress appropriately; note that there may be a long walk to the venue, so high heels may not be comfortable. Also, it gets cold and windy at night in Chicago in April—a slightly longer dress with sleeves might be a lot warmer! ☺ No tennis shoes, please, for this event. ALSO, you will be most likely changing in a rest room at Hard Rock Café, so make sure your outfit is easily portable and easily gotten into.*
- Jeans/comfortable pants
- Tops/t-shirts
- Coat/jacket/sweater/hoodie
- COMFORTABLE walking shoes
- Socks
- Underwear
- Sleepwear
- Bathing suit (appropriate!). There is a pool at the hotel; there MAY be time to make use of it.
- Necessary bathroom needs (deodorant, shampoo, etc.)
- Refillable water bottle
- Cell phone

- CELL PHONE CHARGER