# Equipment, Books, Music, and More! "Must-Have" Lists for Horn Players

#### **Books**

# Methods

- The Art of French Horn Playing, Philip Farkas
- Collected Thoughts on Teaching and Learning, Creativity and Horn Performance, Douglas Hill
- Thoughts on Playing the Horn...Well, Frøydis Ree Wekre

## History

- The Cambridge Companion to Brass Instruments, Trevor Herbert and John Wallace
- Brass Instruments, Their History and Development, Anthony Baines
- Dennis Brain: A Life in Music, Stephen J. Gamble and William C. Lynch

## Other

- The Art of Musicianship, Philip Farkas
- The Inner Game of Tennis, W. Timothy Gallwey
- Flow: The Psychology of Optimal Performance, Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi

## **Sheet Music**

## Warm-ups/Routines

- Warm Ups and Maintenance Sessions for the Horn Player, Douglas Hill
- The Brass Gym, Sam Pilafian and Patrick Sheridan, ed. John Q. Ericson
- Daily Routines for the Student Horn Player, Marian Hesse (http://hornroutines.com/)
- For more routines, see http://hornworld.me/2010/10/26/more-warm-ups-and-routines-for-horn/

# **Etudes**

- Sixty Selected Studies for Horn, Kopprasch (http://cornopub.com/)
- Two Hundred Melodic and Progressive Studies for Horn, Maxime-Alphonse (6 books)
- Ultimate Horn Technique, ed. John Ericson (http://www.hornnotes.com/)
- Ultimate Low Horn, ed. John Ericson (http://www.hornnotes.com/

# Solos

- Concerto No. 1 in D, K. 412; Concerto No. 2 in E-flat, K. 417; Concerto No. 3 in E-flat, K 447; Concerto No. 4 in E-flat, K. 495; Concert Rondo; Quintet for horn and strings, K. 407, W.A. Mozart [purchase in original keys, NOT transposed for Horn in F]
- Concerto No. 1, Op. 11; Concerto No. 2, Richard Strauss
- First Solos for the Horn Player and Solos for the Horn Player, ed. Mason Jones
- The Horn Collection, G. Schirmer (3 volumes, with accomp. CD)

## Excerpts

- Horn Player's Audition Handbook, ed. Arthur LaBar
- The Orchestral Audition Repertoire For Horn: Comprehensive and Unabridged, ed. David Thompson

# Equipment

## **Horns** (a few recommendations)

- Yamaha 667, 667V, 668, 668V
- Conn 10D, 11D, 8D, V8D
- Hans Hoyer G-10, 6802, 7802
- Handmade Custom Horns (\$\$\$) include: Rauch, Berg, Sorley, Englebert Schmid, Patterson, Hatch, Medlin, Hill, Lewis, Lewis-Duerk, and more...

# **Mouthpieces**

• Laskey, Houser, Moosewood, Stork, Schilke

## Mutes

- Straight Mutes: Balu, Trumcor, Moosic, Marcus Bonna
- Stop Mutes: Balu, Alexander, Tom Crown
- Practice Mutes: Balu, Wallace, Best Brass, Faxx

#### Cases

• Marcus Bonna, Thompson Edition, Protec, BAGS

## Other

- Hetman Lubricants
- Leather Specialties (left hand guards)
- Alexander and Englbert Schmid (left hand supports)

## Websites

# General

- Hormatters.com
- Horninsights.com
- www.uiowa.edu/~somhorn/
- hornplayer.net
- hornsociety.org
- hornworld.me

# Instruments

- poperepair.com
- hornplayer.net
- www.houghtoncustomhorns.com
- osmun.com
- www.wichitaband.com

# **Sheet Music**

- www.hickeys.com
- www.eble.com
- www.sheetmusicplus.com
- poperepair.com
- www.editions-bim.com
- www.reift.ch

# Videos

- www.youtube.com/hornsolos
- www.youtube.com/FrankLloydHorn
- www.youtube.com/jboldin

# Recordings

- The London Horn Sound and The London Horn Sound, Give it One
- Vienna Horns and Vienna Horns, Director's Cut
- Hermann Baumann Collection (7 CD set)
- Dennis Brain, The Horn Player (4 CD set)