

## FAQ - ENSEMBLES at TANGO FOR MUSICIANS AT REED COLLEGE 2024

### **Can I choose the ensemble I will be assigned to?**

Assignments will be made by the team of artistic faculty, keeping in mind the best possible learning experience for the player. Once assigned, the role cannot be changed.

### **Are all the ensembles Orquestas Típicas in a large setting?**

No, the Orquestas Típicas will be formed by a small number of musicians to offer a better musical experience. Piano, contrabass, and singer spots in Orquestas Típicas are limited, so the places will be assigned by keeping in mind the level of playing and registration order. All registered musicians will have an ensemble in which to play, either in the Orquestas Típicas or in one of the various ensembles that will be formed.

### **Extra activity for singers in this edition!**

Every night at the tango jam sessions, each singer will be assigned ONE TANGO to sing, as in the famous Argentinian "*Peñas de Cantores*" (bars where singers meet and each one sings the same repertory every night, in order to search for the deepest possible interpretation). Each singer will choose one favorite tango to sing every night. This tango will be different from the one assigned in the ensemble.

### **Are winds or guitars included in the Orquestas Típicas?**

Yes! We call it *Orquestas Típicas*, but the instrumentation might be diverse and inclusive!

### **I feel that I am an amateur musician. Can I register?**

Yes! When we see that you are an amateur musician or that you simply need easy parts, we will assign you to an ensemble that will be perfect for you. But you will also have instrumental classes in the morning and can enjoy the rest of the program the same as all the other musicians who are registered. Also, one special series of "Tango Fundamental Tools" classes will be designed for you to join. [Learn more here.](#)

### **Can I come with my whole tango group? If so, should I be assigned to an Orquesta Típica?**

Yes! You need to apply to come with your group. Please check the new procedure for [Pre-formed ensembles](#). And yes! Pre-formed ensemble members can also be assigned to the Tango for Musicians ensembles. The pre-formed rehearsals will happen at a different time than ensemble class.

### **Can I learn tango arrangements or tango composition?**

Yes. You need to apply to do so. Read all about how to join the [Arrangers & Composers Program here.](#)