



NORWALK YOUTH SYMPHONY

CONCERTO COMPETITION GUIDELINES During Covid

The Norwalk Youth Symphony Concerto Competition/Performance will take place every year. **The winner of this year's competition will receive a recording session on Norwalk City Hall's Concert Stage. The video will be showcased on the NYS YouTube Channel, website and social media. The winner will also receive \$100 to defer the cost of their accompanist for the recording session. NYS will be responsible for the recording engineer and City Hall fees.**

All members of the Principal Orchestra in good standing are eligible to audition, **except that the competition can be won only once by the same musician.**

The deadline to submit the registration form to the Executive Director will be April 1st, 2021, along with the \$25 application fee.

Only one movement of a concerto will be performed. The piece must be performed from memory.

It is suggested that auditionee use an accompanist. If necessary, they will be provided with a list of local musicians who can provide this service. **However, if you are not comfortable working with an accompanist during covid you will not be expected to do so.**

NYS has scheduled the City Hall Concert Stage for Saturday, April 24th. Covid Safety protocol will be followed. If it becomes unfeasible to hold the competition live we will hold a virtual competition.

All auditions will be heard by at least two adjudicators, who will be given beforehand a list of auditionees and the works they will perform. If possible, the adjudicators will be seated in the auditorium where they can hear the work as it will be performed. **If not they will be watching virtually.**

The public will not be invited to observe the auditions this year.

Audition procedures:

- Musicians will email, in advance, a pdf of the piece they are performing for the auditioners' use.
- Students will be provided with a room in which to warm up and tune. **You will be given an arrival time so we can practice social distancing.**
- The audition will be 10 minutes long. **Time will allotted to clean the piano between performances.**
- The musician will perform at the front of the stage as you would during a performance with the orchestra.
- Before performing, the auditionee should announce the name of the work to be performed.
- The piece will be performed without interruption, although the musician will be asked to stop if the piece is longer than 10 minutes.
- Please dress appropriately. This is a competition. No jeans or sneakers.



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2021 CONCERTO COMPETITION APPLICATION

NAME _____

TELEPHONE _____

STUDENT'S EMAIL _____

INSTRUMENT _____

CONCERTO: *The movement must be played from memory.*

Title _____

Composer _____

Movement _____

ACCOMPANIST _____

Accompanist contact information _____

OTHER COMMENTS:

Please return this form, with the application fee of \$25 and a pdf of the music, no later than April 1, 2021

AUDITIONS WILL BE HELD ON Saturday, April 24th at Norwalk Concert Hall. If not feasible due to Covid the competition will be held virtually.