



el paso symphony youth orchestras
a division of the el paso symphony

EPSYO Concerto Competition 2019-2020

Monday, January 20, 2020

The El Paso Symphony Youth Orchestras (EPSYO) will hold its annual Concerto Competition on Monday, January 20, 2020 at the University Presbyterian Church (244 N. Resler) in El Paso. The competition is open to all musicians up to the age of 22 as of January 20, 2020.

PRIZES

Grand Prize - One (1) winner will be selected to perform with the El Paso Symphony Orchestra on the Side by Side Concert on March 29, 2020 at the Plaza Theatre.

EPSYOs Prize - One (1) current EPSYO student will be selected to perform with one of the EPSYO orchestras at either the 2019-2020 Season Finale Concert on May 17, 2020 or another predetermined concert.

ELIGIBILITY

1. You are 22 years of age or younger as of January 20, 2020.
2. Previous winners are not eligible to compete on the same instrument for the same prize(s) they have already won.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Mail application form to: EPSYO, PO Box 180, El Paso, TX 79942. Or scan and email to: info@epsyos.org
- Application must be received by **Monday, January 13, 2020**
- Enclose a \$40 application fee. *Fee is waived for currently enrolled EPSYO members.*
- All applicants will be notified of their audition time and location by email on or before **Wednesday, January 15, 2020**. Applicants and accompanists should plan to be available from 10:00AM – 5:00PM on the day of the competition.

REPERTOIRE

- Selection must be between 5 - 15 minutes for solo instrument(s) or voice with orchestral accompaniment.
- Selection may be a movement or combination of movements, but must be complete.
- Repertoire is subject to the approval of the EPSYO Music Director who will consider instrumentation, difficulty of accompaniment and availability and cost of orchestral parts. If the selection is considered inappropriate for the competition, another selection may be suggested. If you have any questions about the suitability of your repertoire selection, please email: info@epsyos.org.

OTHER RULES and INFORMATION

1. There are no instrument or age divisions.
2. Applicants must perform with piano accompaniment. Applicants are responsible for bringing their own accompanist.
3. Applicants will be judged solely on their performance in the competition.
4. Applicants will not be judged on the difficulty of their selection.
5. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to perform by memory.
6. **Applicants must provide three (3) copies (photocopies allowed) of the orchestra score or piano accompaniment for the judges with all measures numbered clearly.**
7. Applicants and accompanists should arrive for the competition at least 15 minutes early. Late arrival for the competition may result in forfeit of audition.
8. Written feedback from judges will be available following the announcement results, upon request.
9. Announcement of the winners will take place at the end of the day on **January 21, 2020** via email correspondence.
10. Applicants will be considered for all prizes for which they are eligible.
11. If selected, the Grand Prize winner must be available to attend rehearsals on **March 27 6:30PM – 9:30PM & March 29, 2:00PM – 4:30PM at the Plaza Theatre.**
12. The competition is not open to the public.
13. The judges are not required to name any winners.
14. No individuals that work with any competitors in the capacity of private lesson instructor will be allowed to serve on the panel of judges.



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EPSYO 2019-2020 CONCERTO COMPETITION APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Instrument _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone(____) _____

Email _____

School _____ Grade _____ Age _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION (if under 18)

Name _____

Relationship to applicant _____

Phone (if different) (____) _____

Email (if different) _____

MUSICAL SELECTION INFORMATION

Composer _____

Title _____

Movement(s) and titles (if any) _____

Approximate length _____

Name of accompanist _____

PRIVATE INSTRUCTOR/SCHOOL TEACHER INFORMATION or SIGNATURE

You must have permission from your private instructor/school teacher to participate in this competition

Teacher _____

Signature _____

I give you permission to use my photo and name in any press publications related to this concerto competition:

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature (if under 18) _____

**Please return this form with your \$40 application fee (if applicable) by January 13, 2020 to
EPSYO, PO BOX 180, El Paso, TX 79942**